

# TOWNSHIP OF MAPLE SHADE

## Ordinance 2024-13

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS 65-67A OLD KINGS HIGHWAY AND DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 173.02, LOT 8.03 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAPLE SHADE, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Maple Shade has two water treatment plants that provide potable water and fire protection to the community of Maple Shade; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kings Highway water plant, constructed in the 1950's, is antiquated and remains in place only for use in emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Main Street water plant is not capable of meeting Maple Shade's water demands alone, and without the replacement of Kings Highway water plant, the Township would be dependent upon outside sources for potable water in the event of an emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the construction of a modern facility with the current best available treatment process would allow for a more efficient and effective water treatment system, providing safer water at a reduced cost to both the residents and the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Utility Engineer has identified the property located at 65-67A Old Kings Highway and identified as Block 173.02, Lot 8.03 on the Township tax map (the "Property") as appropriate for the construction of the new Kings Highway water plant; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township obtained an appraisal for the Property and has negotiated a purchase price with the Property owner; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 12-4(a) of the Local Lands and Building Law provides that any municipality may acquire any real property for public use; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township previously set aside capital funding for the purchase of property to house for the construction of a new Kings Highway water plant as it is a necessary improvement for the Township water treatment system.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Maple Shade, County of Burlington as follows:

1. The purchase of the property located at 65-67A Old Kings Highway and identified as Block 173.02, Lot 8.03 on the Township tax map, is hereby authorized in accordance with the provisions of the Local Lands and Buildings Law pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, et. seq. for an amount not to exceed \$400,000 for the construction of the new Kings Highway water plant.
2. The appropriate Township Officials, the Township Attorney, the Township Clerk and such other professionals, as required, are authorized and directed to execute any and all

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documents on behalf of the Township of Maple Shade for this property acquisition in such form as prepared or approved by the Township Attorney.

3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency .
4. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.
5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

Introduction: June 12, 2024

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kauffman		x	x			
Nunes	x		x			
Volpe			x			
Wiest			x			
Schmidt			x			

Tabled to August 15, 2024: July 18, 2024

comments: none

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Kauffman			x			
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Volpe		x	x			
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### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Maple Shade Township Council at a meeting held on August 15, 2024

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Andrea T. McVeigh, RMC

Adopted: August 15, 2024: July 18, 2024

comments: none

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Kauffman				x			
Nunes		x		x			
Volpe			x	x			
Wiest				x			
Schmidt				x			