

SECOND READING

2024-52

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**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE, COUNTY
OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING
THE ACQUISITION BY PURCHASE OR
CONDEMNATION OF THE REAL PROPERTY
KNOWN AS BLOCK 1004, LOTS 298 & 300,
LOCATED ON BLANDFORD AVENUE,
WOODBIDGE, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, in accordance with statutory law, including, but not limited to, N.J.S.A. 40:61-1, the Township of Woodbridge (“Township”) may, acquire, lay out, improve, embellish and maintain, lands by gift, purchase, devise, or condemnation, any lands suitable for public parks, squares, open spaces, playgrounds, beaches, water fronts and places for public resort and recreation; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5(a)(1), any municipality, by ordinance, may provide for the acquisition of any real property, capital improvement, or personal property by purchase, gift, devise, lease, exchange, or condemnation; and

WHEREAS, the Township has identified the property commonly known as Block 1004, Lots 298 & 300, Blandford Avenue, Woodbridge, New Jersey on the official tax map of the Township of Woodbridge (the “Property”), to be acquired for open space purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that it is necessary, beneficial and in the public interest to acquire a fee simple interest in the Property;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE**, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION ONE AUTHORIZATION TO ACQUIRE LAND

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:61-1, the “Local Lands and Buildings Law,” N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., and/or N.J.S.A. 20:3-1 et seq., the Township of Woodbridge is hereby authorized and directed to acquire certain real property commonly known as Blandford Avenue, Woodbridge, New Jersey and designated as Block 1004, Lots 298 & 300 on the official tax map of the Township of Woodbridge by purchase or condemnation in a manner provided by N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., and/or N.J.S.A. 20:3-1 et seq., for the public purposes of open space.

SECTION TWO AUTHORITY OF AGENTS

The Business Administrator, as well as retained professionals for the Township of Woodbridge, are hereby authorized and directed to perform all acts necessary to acquire the property on behalf of the Township of Woodbridge.

**SECTION THREE
COST OF ACQUISITION**

The authorized disbursing officers of the Township of Woodbridge are hereby authorized and directed to pay all sums necessary to acquire the above Property, which shall be no more than Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000) plus nominal expenses.

**SECTION FOUR
SEVERABILITY**

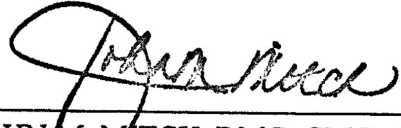
If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provisions so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

**SECTION FIVE
VALIDITY**

This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey after final passage, approval, and publication.

ADOPTED: AUG 06 2024

I hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of the Ordinance adopted by the Municipal Council of the Township of Woodbridge at their Regular Meeting held on
AUG 06 2024



JOHN M. MITCH, RMC, CMC, CMR
MUNICIPAL CLERK