

**MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP
BURLINGTON COUNTY**

RESOLUTION 2016-5-1

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN UPDATE TO THE RIVER ROUTE CORRIDOR'S
REGIONAL STRATEGIC REVITALIZATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, in 1995 the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders (Board) initiated the preparation of a regional strategic revitalization plan for the Route 130/Delaware river corridor Corridor); and

WHEREAS, the twelve municipalities that make up the Corridor, including Beverly City, Burlington city, Burlington Township, Cinnaminson township, Delanco Township, Delran Township, Edgewater Park Township, Florence Township, Palmyra Borough, Riverside Township, Riverton Borough and Willingboro Township, participated in the planning process and adopted resolutions endorsing the Corridor plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board adopted a resolution endorsing the completed Corridor plan and submitted it to the New Jersey Planning Commission (SPC) for endorsement in 1998; and

WHEREAS, the SPC endorsed the Corridor Plan in 1998, recognizing the cooperative planning undertaken by the corridor municipalities and the Board to prepare the plan and encouraging State resources to be directed to the corridor for assistance in revitalizing the municipalities; and

WHEREAS, over the years the Board and the twelve municipalities have made much progress in implementing the Corridor plan and in revitalizing the Corridor; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to update the Corridor plan to adapt to the changing dynamics of economic and business trends, socio-demographic trends, legislation, technological innovations, environmental changes and other changes, as well as to re-evaluate priorities and resource commitments and to capitalize on experience and trust earned over the past two decades; and

WHEREAS, four additional municipalities north of the original twelve, including Bordentown City, Bordentown, Township, Fieldsboro Borough and Mansfield Township, have expressed an interest in joining the original twelve in a regional strategic revitalization planning process; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESLOVED, the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield endorses and supports the effort to update the River Route Regional Strategic Revitalization Plan for the aforesaid sixteen (16) municipalities and agrees to participate in the effort by appointing four (4) representatives:

- A. Who shall be the official liaisons between the Board's River Route Steering Committee (Committee) and the Township Committee and the Township's Planning and Zoning Boards, and
- B. Who shall also serve on the committee and participate in the Committee's various issue-related task groups, which shall be responsible for:
 - 1. Reviewing the corridor planning staff's analyses of current conditions and trends;
 - 2. Participating in identifying current and future constraints and opportunities for Mansfield Township and the Corridor;
 - 3. Contributing to the articulation of a future vision and goals for the Corridor's quality of life;

4. Participating in developing recommendations for policy objectives and implementation strategies for Mansfield Township and the Corridor; and
5. Reviewing and recommending and update to the River Route Regional Strategic Revitalization Plan for future endorsement by the Township Committee of Mansfield Township.

MOTION:

SECOND:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES

NAYS

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

CERTIFICATION

I, Linda Semus, RMC, CMR, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Mansfield, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be true and accurate copy of the resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, at their Regular Meeting held on May 11, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Mansfield Township Municipal Complex.

LINDA SEMUS, RMC, CMR, Municipal Clerk