



COUNTY OF BERGEN

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Resolution: 433-23

Agenda: 4/4/2023

County Commissioners

Meeting Date: 4/4/2023

Purpose: Resolution in Support of the Bergen County Master Plan

Prepared By: EJR/lr

Sponsored by the Body as a Whole that this Resolution be passed. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairman Sullivan, Vice Chairwoman Ortiz, Chair Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Amoroso, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Tanelli, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Rodriguez, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Resolution No. 433-23, passed by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 4/4/2023.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lara Rodriguez".

Attest: _____



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**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:27-1, the New Jersey County Planning Act adopted in 1975 permitted the County Commissioners to create a County Planning Board of not less than five (5) and no more than nine (9) members; and

WHEREAS, the County Planning Board shall make and adopt a master plan for the physical development of the county. The master plan for a county, with the accompanying maps, plats, charts, and descriptive and explanatory matter, shall show the County Planning Board's recommendations for the development of the territory covered by the plan, and may include, among other things, the general location, character, and extent of streets or roads, viaducts, bridges, waterway and waterfront developments, parkways, playgrounds, forests, reservations, parks, airports, and other public ways, grounds, places, and spaces; the general location and extent of forests, agricultural areas, and open-development areas for purposes of conservations, food and water supply, sanitary and drainage facilities, or the protection of urban development, and such other features as may be important to the development of the county; and

WHEREAS, Bergen County has not embarked on a comprehensive Master Plan effort since last completed in 1962, with amendments and addenda in subsequent years, including various corridor plans and project-specific plans to support our regional planning efforts; and

WHEREAS, the County employed the consulting firm of Colliers Engineering (formerly Maser), as overseen by professional staff from the Bergen County Department of Planning and Engineering; and

WHEREAS, the County Master Plan provides a snapshot of existing conditions, a vision for the future, aspirational goals for future project and implementation, compendium of best practices, and can act as a strategic tool by which agencies tie future budgeting and priorities; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan delves into various Topical Elements to explore existing conditions, trends and projections, best practices, and further analysis, and these include Arts, History and Historic Resources; Land Use and Housing; Economic Vitality; Environment and Natural Resources; Open Space, Agriculture, Parks, and Recreation; Public Facilities and Services; Transportation and Mobility; and Sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the County Master Plan additionally provides direction to guide municipalities in their efforts and development, affords a regional perspective for large-scale and inter-jurisdictional matters, as well as responding to emerging trends and focus areas, and promotes best practices and innovative tools.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners hereby endorses the Bergen County Master Plan as presented.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two copies of this resolution of support shall be returned to the County Planning Board for their consideration and records.