RESOLUTION

BOROUGH OF HIGH BRIDGE

COUNTY OF HUNTERDON

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTION OF OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN

NUMBER: PB07-2020 ADOPTED: May 18, 2020

IN RE BOROUGH OF HIGH BRIDGE OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION PLAN WHEREAS, the Borough of High Bridge, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey has previously adopted a Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et. seq.; and WHEREAS, the Master Plan contains an Open Space Element; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance incorporates by reference the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the provision of Open Space and Recreation for the benefit of the residents of the Borough of High Bridge is both authorized and contemplated by the Purposes Section of the Municipal Land Use Law to wit: Sections 2c, g, and j; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has engaged the services of Darlene Green, PP to investigate the need for an Open Space and Recreation Plan for the Borough of High Bridge; and

WHEREAS Green, after thorough investigation of the needs and resources of the Borough of High Bridge, has prepared an Open Space and Recreation Plan dated March 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of High Bridge has by ordinance created a combined Land Use Board in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Land Use Law; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Board is statutorily vested with the responsibility to review, comment on and approve the Open Space and Recreation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Board conducted such review at a properly advertise public meeting of the Land Use Board on Monday, May 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, members of the public were afforded the opportunity to testify in respect to the provisions of the Open Space and Recreation Plan in accordance with Governor Murphy's Executive Orders; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Land Use Board in attendance at the meeting being held in accordance with the Executive Orders of Governor Murphy received the testimony of Green in respect to the creation, design and implementation of the Open Space and Recreation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Board makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law i.e. that the Open Space and Recreation Plan is authorized by law and its recommendations are

necessary and proper for the Borough of High Bridge to assure that the residents have available to them appropriate facilities to engage in the pursuit of Open Space and Recreation as more particularly set forth in the Plan prepared by Green; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Board further finds that endorsement and adoption of the Open Space and Land Use Plan is a necessary exercise of the powers of the Land Use Board as established by law

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on motion of Giordano; seconded by Musnuff with the following members in attendance voting in favor of the adoption of the Open Space and Recreation Plan that the Plan is and the same is hereby adopted and approved.

Planning Board Secretary

Barbara Kinsky

Board Chairman

Steve Dhein