

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY**

ORDINANCE NO. 1 OF 2016

**AN ORDINANCE OF WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP,
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING AND
RE-ADOPTING THE OFFICIAL MAP OF WILLISTOWN
TOWNSHIP.**

WHEREAS, Article IV of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (Act 247 of 1968, as amended by Act 170 of 1988), grants Pennsylvania municipalities the power to adopt an official map for the municipality insofar as it is based on an adopted comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 8 of 2000, enacted on September 25, 2000, Willistown Township adopted an official map for the southern portion of the Township located generally south of Goshen and Barr Roads; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 8 of 2002, enacted on November 25, 2002, Willistown Township adopted an official map for the entire Township; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 9 of 2004, enacted on August 23, 2004, Willistown Township amended and re-adopted the official map for the entire Township; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 9 of 2011, enacted on November 14, 2011, Willistown Township amended and re-adopted the official map for the entire Township; and

WHEREAS, Willistown Township has undertaken a periodic update to the official map, in order to further facilitate the acquisition and preservation of proposed public parks and open space reservations, trail links, pedestrian ways and easements, for the benefit of existing and future residents and populations; and

WHEREAS, the park land and open space preservation concept is consistent with the Willistown Township Comprehensive Plan and the Willistown Township Open Space, Park and Recreation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Willistown Township has reviewed the official map update for the Township and desires to adopt the same as the Official Map of the Township of Willistown.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it **ORDAINED** and **ENACTED** as follows:

Section 1. Willistown Township hereby adopts as the Official Map of the Township of Willistown, Chester County, Pennsylvania, the Willistown Township Official Map, prepared on behalf of the Township by the Chester County Department of Computing and Information Services (DCIS), draft dated November 2, 2015, and all attachments.

Section 2. Willistown Township's Official Map will include all roadways and properties located in Willistown Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, as depicted on said Map.

Section 3. The properties depicted as proposed open space reservations or proposed Township parklands shall be reserved for future acquisition and/or taking for public use in perpetuity until actually acquired by the Township.

Section 4. The Township may initiate surveys of property locations for the purposes of taking action or acquisition.

Section 5. Whenever lands and easements are to be acquired pursuant to the Official Map, boundary descriptions by metes and bounds descriptions shall be made by a licensed surveyor.

Section 6. The Township directs that following adoption of this Ordinance, a copy of the Official Map of Willistown Township, verified by the Board of Supervisors, shall be submitted to the Recorder of Deeds of the County of Chester to be recorded within sixty (60) days of the effective date hereof.

Section 7. This Ordinance is enacted for the purpose of serving and promoting the public health, safety, convenience and general welfare; to facilitate adequate provision of public streets and facilities; to improve traffic circulation; to provide for the recreational and open space needs of the community; to protect and enhance water resources; and to facilitate the subdivision of land and the use of land and water features.

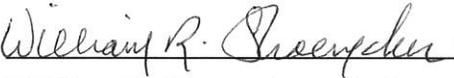
Section 8. Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of any other section or provision of this Ordinance than the one so declared.

Section 9. This Ordinance shall become effective in accordance with the provisions of law.

Section 10. Ordinance No. 9 of 2011, being the ordinance amending and re-adopting as the Official Map of the Township of Willistown, Chester County, Pennsylvania, the Willistown Township Official Map, prepared by Next Level Mapping, dated February 2011, and all attachments, is hereby repealed.

ENACTED and ORDAINED this 4th day of January, 2016.

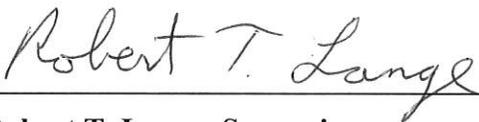
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