

ORDINANCE No. RO-02-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A GRANT OF EASEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY FOR THE PROPERTY DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 24, LOT 7 ON THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP TAX MAP

WHEREAS, in connection with the improvements being performed at the Washington Township Senior Center, the Elizabethtown Gas Company is in need of an easement for the purposes of laying, constructing, maintaining, operating inspecting, repairing, altering, extending (including future tie-ins), replacing and removing an underground natural gas pipeline or pipelines, together with all necessary associated equipment and appurtenances at property designated as 35 East Springtown Road, Block 24, Lot 7 on the Washington Township Tax Map; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington is the owner of record for the property; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington has agreed to allow the Elizabethtown Gas Company access to the property to provide the necessary gas lines; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer and Township Attorney have reviewed and agreed upon the Grant of Easement; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommends that same be accepted and executed by the Township Committee.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Washington, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION ONE. The Township of Washington hereby authorizes the execution of the Grant of Easement between the Township of Washington and the Elizabethtown Gas Company for the property designated as 35 East Springtown Road, Block 24, Lot 72 on the Washington Township Tax Map.

SECTION TWO. The Grant of Easement set forth in the attached document, and more fully described in the Exhibit A attached to said Grant of Easement, is hereby accepted by the Township of Washington along with the conditions attached thereto.

SECTION THREE. If any article, section, subsection, term or condition of this Ordinance is declared invalid or illegal for any reason, the balance of the Ordinance shall be deemed severable and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION FOUR. A copy of this Ordinance shall be provided to the

Elizabethtown Gas Company, c/o South Jersey Industries, Attn: Office of General Counsel, 1 South Jersey Plaza, Folsom, New Jersey 08037.

SECTION FIVE. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions that are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent necessary

SECTION SIX. A copy of the above-referenced documents shall remain on file in the Township Clerk's office and available for public inspection.

SECTION SEVEN. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced to pass on first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of Washington Township held on January 16, 2023, and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance will be considered for final reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the Washington Township Committee to be held on February 15, 2023 **at 7:00 p.m.** or as soon thereafter as the Township Committee may hear this Ordinance at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, NJ 07853, at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

Denean Probasco, Township Clerk

Matthew T. Murello, Mayor,

Adopted:

Attest: I herein certify that the foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Washington Township Committee at a regular meeting held by the Township Committee on _____, 2023.

Denean Probasco, Township Clerk