
BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

WASHINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

June 30, 2020 Special Meeting

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey was held via ZOOM live stream at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Conry, Cox, Noone, Norris and Higgins.

Also Present: Matthew Hall, Manager
Laurie A. Barton, Borough Clerk
Leslie Parikh, Attorney

Absent: Duchemin and Valle

Mayor Higgins led everyone in the flag salute.

Mayor Higgins read the following statement into record:

“The requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law, 1975, Chapter 231, have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Star Gazette and posted on the bulletin board, borough website and Facebook stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law.”

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bryan Barrons (sp) 3 McKinley Ave., stated he supported the no left hand turn to Route 31 with reference to the new CVS location.

Hearing no further comments, motion to close public portion made by Norris and seconded by Conry, all were in favor.

RESOLUTION

Motion made by Conry and seconded by Cox to approve Resolution 2020-108.

Roll Call: Conry, Cox, Noone, Norris and Higgins.
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
Motion passes.

RESOLUTION 2020-108

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE PROMULGATION OF A TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROHIBITING CERTAIN LEFT TURN MOVEMENTS ALONG ROUTE 31

WHEREAS, Washington 31, LLC, the applicant for the property located at Route 31 and Washington Avenue; Borough of Washington, NJ (Block 26, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, & 10) has obtained land use approvals from the Washington Borough Land Use Board to construct a CVS Pharmacy (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, since the property is located on Route 31, Washington 31, LLC also requires New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) approval as a condition of the Washington approval; and

WHEREAS, as part of the NJDOT application, the NJDOT has requested concurrence and support of certain proposed traffic regulations from Washington including a left turn prohibition for traffic entering and leaving the proposed CVS Pharmacy from and to Route 31.

WHEREAS, in order for the NJDOT to promulgate Traffic Regulation Orders for this Project, the NJDOT must receive a Resolution of support from the Borough of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed the request for proposed traffic regulations along Route 31.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, and State of New Jersey that the Borough supports and endorses the NJDOT to establish a restriction prohibiting left-turns to and from the proposed CVS Pharmacy driveway along Route 31 through the creation of Traffic Regulation Order; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough of Washington concurs that any approved Resolution in conflict with or inconsistent with the provision of this Resolution be rescinded upon approval of the Traffic Regulation Order; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Washington Borough Land Use Board (100 Belvidere Ave, Washington, NJ 07882); to Kaushik Patel, Case Manager - Major Access Permits, NJ Department of Transportation, PO Box 600, Trenton, NJ 08625; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, a motion was made by Conry seconded by Noone to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm.

Ayes: 5: Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

Mayor David Higgins

Laurie A. Barton, Borough Clerk