

TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG

ORDINANCE NO. 1055 OF 2024

AN ORDINANCE OF TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG, COLUMBIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING A NEW ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES

BACKGROUND

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (the “MPC”) authorizes the governing body of a municipality to enact a zoning ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bloomsburg has enacted an ordinance entitled “Town of Bloomsburg Zoning Ordinance” which is codified at Chapter 27 of the Code of the Town of Bloomsburg; and

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2024, a copy of a proposed new zoning ordinance and zoning map (the “2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map”) was provided to the Columbia County Planning Commission for review and comment pursuant to the MPC; and

WHEREAS, the Columbia County Planning Commission provided its comments on the proposed 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map on March 8, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Bloomsburg Town Council held a public hearing with respect to the proposed 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map on March 11, 2024; and

WHEREAS, public notice of the hearing was advertised on February 25, 2024 and March 3, 2024 in the Press-Enterprise, a newspaper of general circulation in Town of Bloomsburg, Columbia County; and

WHEREAS, the public notice stated that the Town of Bloomsburg Council would consider adoption of the 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map on March 25, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map were not adopted on March 25, 2024; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the March 11, 2024 public hearing, substantial amendments to the proposed 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map were made; and

WHEREAS, public notice of the intention to adopt the 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map, including substantial amendments made subsequent to the March 11, 2024 public hearing was published in the Press-Enterprise, a newspaper of general circulation in Town of Bloomsburg, Columbia County on May 23, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Bloomsburg Town Council desires to adopt the 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map contained in this Ordinance to replace and repeal Chapter 27 of the Code and the zoning map adopted as part of Chapter 27 pursuant to the authority granted by the MPC and as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, The Bloomsburg Town Council ordains as follows:

1. The Town of Bloomsburg Zoning Ordinance contained in Chapter 27 of the Code of the Town of Bloomsburg, as well as the zoning map adopted pursuant to said section, with the exception of Part 13, entitled "Historical Districts" is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with the 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part of this Ordinance.
2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, with the exception of Part 13 of Chapter 27 entitled "Historical Districts".
3. In the event that any provision, section, sentence or clause of the 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map shall be held to be unconstitutional or unenforceable, in whole or in part, such invalidity shall not affect or impair any remaining part of the 2024 Zoning Ordinance and Map.
4. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be five (5) days after the date of adoption by the Bloomsburg Town Council.

ORDAINED AND ENAGED into law by the Bloomsburg Town Council in lawful session assembled this 3rd day of June, 2024.

Attest:

Lisa M. Dooley
Lisa M. Dooley, Secretary

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Justin C. Hummel
Justin C. Hummel, Mayor