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Local Law No. of 3 2021

A local law To Extend the Term of the Residential Land Use Moratorium for a 6-month period to complete the Comprehensive Plan Update

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the

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BE IT ENACTED BY, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem as follows:

Section 1. PURPOSE

On December 9, 2020, the Town Board adopted Local Law No. 5 of 2020, which placed a moratorium on residential development for subdivisions of more than four (4) lots and site plan applications containing residential dwelling units. This local law was enacted for the purpose of limiting the amount of residential development pending the adoption of an update to the comprehensive plan and programmatic recommendations to the Town's zoning code and subdivision regulations to implement the plan. To maximize the benefits of such process, the enactment of a 6-month extension of the town-wide residential moratorium is necessary.

In connection with the planning process, the Town retained a planning consultant, SWBR, to assist in the planning process, created the Comprehensive Plan Update Advisory Committee (CPUC) to make recommendations to the Town Board, and conducted over 20 public meetings and participated in numerous outreach events through CPUC on the comprehensive plan and proposed recommendations. Given the complexity of the issues, the amount of public input, the public engagement challenges created by COVID-19 pandemic, and the comprehensive nature of the tasks undertaken, the Town Board finds that the comprehensive plan update and preparation of land use regulation modifications are not yet complete and that additional time is necessary to complete the plan update.

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