

TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL
ORDINANCE 08, 2015

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF THE TOWNSHIP'S COST SHARE OF AN AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS EASEMENT TO BE ACQUIRED ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 3, LOT 16 (LAMBERT FARM) IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$135,000.00, FROM THE OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, as follows:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by the Township of West Amwell, New Jersey. For the said improvements or purposes described in Section 2, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$135,000.00, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefore.

Section 2. The Township of West Amwell is hereby authorized to fund the township's share of the cost of the acquisition by the County of Hunterdon of an agricultural development rights easement on certain real property known as Block 3, Lot 16 (Lambert Farm) as part of the Township's Farmland Preservation Program, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the undertaking of the aforesaid work, acquisition or improvement is not a current expense of the Township of West Amwell, but rather a capital expense and the estimated cost of said work, acquisition or improvement of said purpose is \$135,000.00.

Section 4. The sum of \$135,000.00 is therefore appropriated for said purpose. The funding is provided by appropriating \$135,000.00 from the Open Space Trust Fund of the Township of West Amwell for said purpose as required by law and now available in one or more previously adopted budgets of the Township of West Amwell.

Section 5. There is no debt authorized for this improvement or purpose.

Section 6. The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Township Clerk and Attorney, as the case may be, are authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., and any other applicable law, to prepare and sign any and all necessary documentation to effectuate the Township's share of the cost of the direct acquisition of an agricultural development rights easement by the County of Hunterdon through the New Jersey State Agricultural Development Committee's (SADC's) Municipal Planning Incentive Grant Farmland Preservation Program, concerning the property known as Block 3, Lot 16 (Lambert Farm), including, but not limited to, any agreements and amendments

thereto and any closing documents needed to assist the County of Hunterdon in completing the purchase.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption according to law.

APPROVED BY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

George A. Fisher, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lora L. Olsen, RMC
Township Clerk

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of West Amwell, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, held on July 15, 2015. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held in the municipal building, 150 Rocktown-Lamb. Rd., Lambertville, N.J. on August 19, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. All interested parties will be heard at this time.