EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP

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AGENDA

Planning Commission July 24, 2023, 7PM East Cocalico Township Building 100 Hill Road, Denver, PA 17517

- 1. July 19, 2023 Meeting minutes
- 2. HARDI, LLC (RZ 2023-02)
 - Review of a proposed re-zone at Pfautz Hill Road.
- 3. adjournment

current applications & review deadlines

- Village at East Cocalico (LD 2021-02) August 12, 2023 (extension approval pending)
- Wright Ebersole (LD 2021-03) September 12, 2023
- Slatewood (LD 2021-01) September 29, 2023
- Mt. Zion Baptist Church (LD 2018-01) review period waived
- Roechling (LD 2022-01) review period waived
- Dutch Cousin Campground (LD 2022-03) review period waived
- Grande (LD 2023-01) review period waived

Planning Commission applications and plans are available to review at the Township Building during regular business hours.

July 19, 2023 Meeting Minutes will be distributed by July 23, 2023

EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

PROPERTY INDEX - 080-68327-0-0000

Date of Application, April 4, 2023

Applicant – HARDI LLC, C/O Harvey Turner IV



Petition for Zoning Map Amendment - REVISED

INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Section 220-150 of the Zoning Ordinance of East Cocalico Township ("ZO") Petitioner HARDI, LLC through its sole member Harvey Turner respectfully requests the Board of Supervisors of East Cocalico Township ("Board") rezone the tract of land located on Pfautz Hill Road from Suburban Residential (R-1) to Mobile Home Park Residential (MHP). In support thereof, Petitioner provides:

BACKGROUND OF THE PROPERTY

- 1. Petitioner is a Pennsylvania LLC with a registered address of 1012 Alden Way, Lebanon Pennsylvania 17042.
- 2. Harvey Turner is the sole member and manager of HARDI, LLC and is authorized to act on its behalf.
- 3. Petitioner owns a 19.72-acre lot on Pfautz Hill Road ("Property"). Currently, the property is in the Suburban Residential (R-1) Zoning District.
- 4. A Mobile Home Park Use exists on the property and there are currently Twenty-nine (29) homes in the Community known as "Pfautz Hill Mobile Home Park".
- 5. Pfautz Hill Mobile Home Park has existed on the site since approximately the late 1950s, early 1960s.
- 6. The Mobile Home Park was in existence at the time of the adoption of Zoning Ordinance Section 220-18 which had a stated purpose to acknowledge the existing mobile home parks and protect their continued existence.
- 7. Property is in East Cocalico Township's designed Urban Growth Boundary.
- 8. Zoning Ordinance Section 220-18 allows for the expansion of Mobile Home Parks located within the Urban Growth Boundary.
- 9. Property is connected to public water and sewer service.
- 10. Property abuts the General Commercial (GC) and Rural Residential (RR) Zoning Districts.

PROPOSED REZONING OF THE PROPERTY TO MOBILE HOME PARK USE

- 1. Petitioner is requesting that the Property be rezoned to Mobile Home Park Residential (MHP)
- 2. The proposed use will provide residential housing in a manner that better fits the existing use of the property and will provide for a higher density as is befitting given the Property's location within the Township's Urban Growth Area.

- 3. East Cocalico Township Zoning Ordinance Section 220-108 sets forth the criteria under which a Mobile Home Park is Permitted by Special Exception within the Mobile Home Park Zone.
- 4. Petitioner believes it is possible to develop the Property for Mobile Home Park use in conformance with the established criteria.
- 5. Petitioner understands that if the proposed rezoning ordinance is adopted, Petitioner will need to file an application for a special exception and obtain approval form the East Cocalico Township Zoning Board before the present use could be expanded.
- 6. The Deed for the Property with the legal description outlining the area comprising the Property is attached as Exhibit "A".
- 7. There are no restrictions on the Property that would hinder rezoning.
- 8. A Sketch Plan prepared by Fuehrer Associates is attached as Exhibit "B".
- 9. Maps showing the proposed modification on the East Cocalico Township Zoning Map and the designation of the Property within the Urban Growth Boundary are attached as Exhibit 'C".
- 10. A list of Adject Property Owners is attached as Exhibit "D".
- 11. A proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment is attached as Exhibit "E".
- 12. Petitioner submitted the required Rezoning Application and Fee of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,2000.00).

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that the East Cocalico Board of Supervisors accept this petition, forward it to the East Cocalico Township Planning Commission and to the Lancaster County Planning Commission for their review, and, thereafter, hold a public hearing on and take action to adopt an ordinance amending the East Cocalico Township Zoning Map as requested by Petitioner.

Date: 5/18 2023

Mejia Law Group, LLC

Bv:

Jennifer Mejia, Esquire Attorney I.D. #88249 Attorney for Petitioner 1390 W. Main Street

Ephrata, PA 17522

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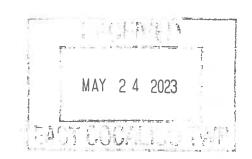
Email: jmejia@ephratalawgroup.com

Prepared by and Return to:

Mersky Law Group 2938 Columbia Avenue Suite 1402 Lancaster, PA 17603

File No. 19.318

Parcel ID # J-080-99999-9-9999



THIS DEED

Made this day of November, in the year Two Thousand Nineteen (2019),

Between

JEFFREY N. PFAUTZ, CO-EXECUTOR AND JOLYNN F. NOLT, CO-EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF LEROY R. PFAUTZ AND JEFFREY N. PFAUTZ, CO-EXECUTOR, JOLYNN F. NOLT, CO-EXECUTRIX AND MICHAEL S. PFAUTZ, CO-EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF MILDRED I. PFAUTZ

(hereinafter called the Grantors), of the one part, and

HARDI LLC

(hereinafter called the Grantees), of the other part,

Dollars (\$1,200,000.00), in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said Grantors do hereby grant and convey unto the said Grantees, their successors, heirs and assigns,

ALL THAT CERTAIN tract of land situate on the west side of Pfautz Hill Road, T-746 (33' wide), and north of Reading Road, S.R. 0272 (60' wide) in East Cocalico Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania; shown as Proposed Lot 1, on the Minor Subdivision Plan for 210 Pfautz Hill Road, prepared by Hershey Surveying, Inc., Drawing Number: 191745-01, Dated June 24, 2019 and recorded in and for the Office of the Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds in Instrument No. 2019-0431-J, and being more fully bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the centerline of Pfautz Hill Road, T-746 (33' wide), said point being in line of lands, now or formerly, of the Local Board of Trustees of the Church of God at Reamstown; thence extending in and along the centerline of Pfautz Hill Road, T-746 the following four courses and distances; 1) S 45 degrees 13' 37" E, 152.19' to a point, 2) on a line curving to the left, having a radius of 8000.00', an arc length of 313.32', and a chord bearing of S 46 degrees 20' 56" E, 313.30' to a point, 3) S 47 degrees 28' 16" E, 546.93' to a point, and 4) on a line curving to the right; having a radius of 27,200.00', an arc length of 406.35' to a point, and a chord bearing of S 47 degrees 02' 35" E, 406.35 to a point, a corner of Proposed Lot 2 as shown on the aforementioned plan; thence extending along Proposed Lot 2

the following three courses and distances; 1) S 43 degrees 04' 31" W, 226.08' to a point, 2) N 46 degrees 55' 29" W, 269.48' to a point, and 3) S 76 degrees 53' 30" W, 734.15' to a point in line of lands, now or formerly, of the Local Board of Trustees of the Church of God at Reamstown; thence extending along the lands, now or formerly, of the Local Board of Trustees of the Church of God at Reamstown, N 46 degrees 32' 56" W, 764.36' to a point, a corner of other lands, now or formerly of the Local Board of Trustees of the Church of God at Reamstown; thence extending along the other lands, now or formerly, of the Local Board of Trustees of the Church of God at Reamstown, N 44 degrees 42' 29" E, 832.96' to the point of beginning.

CONTAINING 20.695 Acres (Gross) 19.718 Acres (Net)

BEING a part of Purpart # 2 of the premises which Leroy R. Pfautz and Mildred I. Pfautz, husband and wife by Deed dated March 27, 1980 and recorded March 28, 1980 in Record Book Q 79 Page 532 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Lancaster County, Pennsylvania granted and conveyed unto Leroy R. Pfautz and Mildred I. Pfautz, husband and wife, as tenants in common and not as tenants by the entireties.

AND THE SAID Leroy R. Pfautz died July 22, 2005 whereupon Letters Testamentary were granted to Jeffrey N. Pfautz and Jolynn F. Nolt and docketed as No. 02475 of 2019 in the Office of the Register of Wills of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

AND THE SAID Mildred I. Pfautz died December 23, 2018 whereupon Letters Testamentary were granted to Jeffrey N. Pfautz, Jolynn F. Nolt and Michael S. Pfautz and docketed as No. 00168 of 2019 in the Office of the Register of Wills of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Together with all and singular the buildings, improvements, ways, waters, water-courses, driveways, rights, liberties, hereditaments and appurtenances, whatsoever thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining, and the reversions and remainders, rents, issues, and profits thereof; and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of the said Grantors, in law, equity, or otherwise howsoever, of, in, and to the same and every part thereof.

To have and to hold the said buildings with the hereditaments and premises hereby granted, or mentioned and intended so to be, with the appurtenances, unto the said Grantees, their successors, heirs and assigns, to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said Grantees, their successors, heirs and assigns, forever.

And the said Jeffrey N. Pfautz, Jolynn F. Nolt and Michael S. Pfautz, Executors and Executrix of the aforesaid covenant, promise and agree to and with said Grantees, their heirs and assigns, that they, the said Executors and Executrix of the aforementioned, have not done, committed, or knowingly or willingly suffered to be done or committed, any act, matter or thing whatsoever whereby the premises hereby granted, or any part thereof, is, are, shall or may be impeached, charged or encumbered, in title, charge, estate, or otherwise howsoever.

In Witness Whereof, the said Grantors caused these presents to be duly executed the day and year first above written.

Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of Us:	
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I hereunto set my hand and official seal.	
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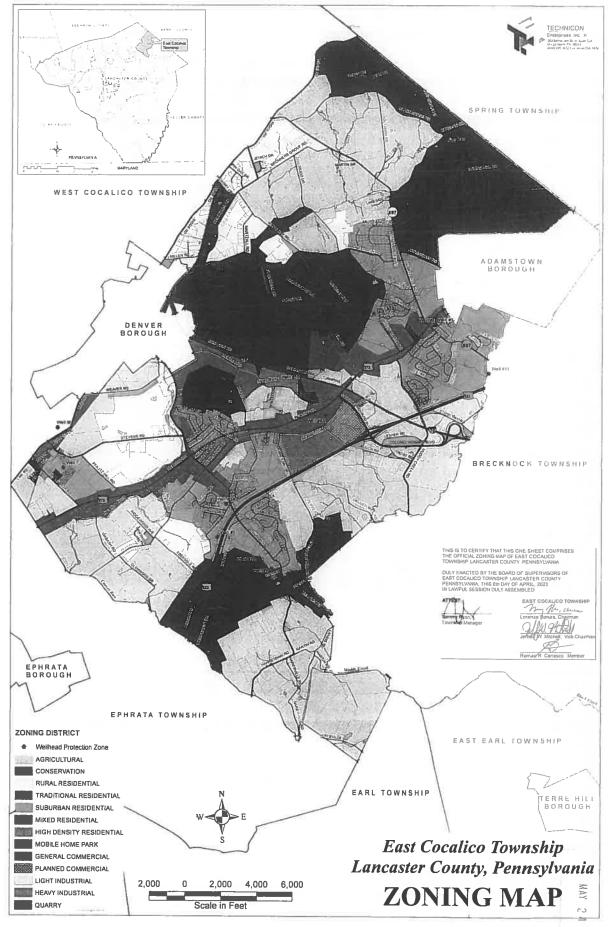
County of Lancaster } ss
On this, the day of, 2019, before me, the undersigned Officer, a Notary Public in and for the jurisdiction aforesaid, personally appeared Jolynn F. Nolt, Co-Executrix of the Estates of Leroy R. Pfautz and Mildred I. Pfautz known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person described in the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that she executed the same in the capacity therein stated and for the purposes therein contained.
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The precise residence and the complete post office address of the above-named Grantees is:

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130 Ridge Avenue Ephrata, PA 17522

On behalf of the Grantees



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Exhibit D Adjoining Property Owners

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0808496600000	Pice Anthon P. S. i	171 Stevens Rd	5484956
0809397500000	Rice Anthony R. & Jana F.	321 Pfautz Hill Rd	G-620515
	Hoover Warren & Christine	317 Pfautz Hill Rd	4707/412
0809962100000	East Cocalico Township Authority	Pfautz Hill Rd	
0804459200000	Graybill Holdings LLC		3030/205
0801392100000	Martin Jordan M. & Rachel M.	275 Pfautz Hill Rd	6502365
0805167100000	Martin Branda F. S. K.	51 Cocalico Creek Rd	6436424
0807327100000	Martin Brendon E. & Kayleen S.	225 Pfautz Hill Rd	6033611
	Phaultz Hill Farm LLC	210 Pfautz Hill Rd	6499240
0806448100000	Memory Gardens Inc.	395 Pfautz Hill Rd	
0801578300000	Church of God at Reamstown		D-470075
		400 Pfautz Hill Rd	6570/185

EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST COCALICO, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, TO AMEND THE EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP ZONING MAP BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION FOR THE TRACT OF LAND IDENTIFIED AS TAX PARCEL 080-68327-0-0000 LOCATED ON PFAUTZ HILL ROAD FROM THE SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL ZONE (R-1) TO THE MOBILE HOME PARK RESIDENTIAL (MHP).

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of East Cocalico Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Zoning Map of East Cocalico Township as established in Section 220-8 of the Zoning Ordinance is amended to rezone Tax Parcel 080-68327-0-0000 located on Pfautz Hill Road from the Suburban Residential District (R-1) to the Mobile Home Park Residential (MHP) Zoning District. The subject tract being rezoned is described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its enactment by the Board of Supervisors of East Cocalico Township as provided by law.

DULY ORDAINED AND ENACTED this of Supervisors of East Cocalico Township, Lancaster C	day of County, Pennsylvania, in lawful ses	_, 2023, by the Board sion duly assembled.
	EAST COCALICO TOWNSHI Lancaster County, Pennsylvania	
Attest:	By:	

Secretary

Chairman, Board of Supervisors



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Enterprises Inc., II

200 Bethlehem Drive Suite 201 Morgantown, PA 19543 Tel. (610) 286-1622 Fax (610) 286-1679

July 10, 2023

East Cocalico Township Planning Commission 100 Hill Road Denver, Pennsylvania 17517

HARDI, LLC
Pfautz Hill Road
Rezoning Petition for Zoning Map Amendment
TEI File: 4035-154

Dear Commission Members:

At the Township's request, we have conducted a zoning review of this petition to amend the East Cocalico Township zoning map for an existing 19.72 acre tract of land currently located on the west side of Pfautz Hill Road (T-746) in the Suburban Residential Zone (R-1) zoning district. The tract is currently utilized as a Mobile Home Park and proposes to rezone the property to Mobile Home Park Residential (MHP).

We have reviewed the referenced application and offer the following comments:

- 1. The subject tract currently is utilized as a mobile home park with 29 existing units and has been in operation for over 60 years. The existing use is a pre-existing non-conforming use allowed to continue in its current state in the Suburban Residential (R-1) zoning district. Rezoning of the tract to the Mobile Home Park Residential (MHP) zoning district would allow the existing use to become permitted by right as noted in §220-18.B(3) of the Zoning Ordinance. The use could also be expanded by special exception approval by the Zoning Hearing Board under §220-18.C(1) & §220-108.
- 2. If the rezoning is approved, any proposed expansion of the mobile home park, in addition to needing special exception approval from the ZHB and meeting density requirements, would also need to be part of a formal land development application to the Township. Other applicable regulations, including but not limited to, landscaping, screening, buffer strip, parking, etc. would also be reviewed upon submission of an actual land development proposal for the property.
- 3. The property appears to be located in the Cocalico Urban Growth Area.
- 4. The applicant should consider any review comments generated by the Lancaster County Planning Commission.



Any questions pertaining to this review letter should be directed to the undersigned at (610) 286-1622 ext. 101 or via email at mreinert@technicon2.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Reinert, P.E.

Technicon Enterprises, Inc. II

Interim Township Engineer/Zoning Officer

Michael Heir

cc: Tommy Ryan, Township Manager

Lisa Kashner, Township Secretary

Matthew J. Creme, Jr., Esq., Township Solicitor

John Schick, P.E., Rettew Associates

HARDI, LLC

Jennifer Mejia, Esquire, Mejia Law Group, LLC

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Tommy Ryan - Township Manager

FROM:

John M. Schick

COPY:

Michael Reinert - Technicon Entreprises, Inc. II

DATE:

May 31, 2023

PROJECT NAME: HARDI, LLC

PROJECT NO .:

031722000.2023.06

SUBJECT:

ZHB Application Review #1

As requested, we have reviewed the following document as prepared and submitted by Mejia Law Group, LLC:

Petition for Zoning Map Amendment - REVISED, dated April 4, 2023, signed May 18, 2023.

We offer the following comments for your consideration:

- 1. The petition is requesting the Board of Supervisors to rezone a 19.72-acre tract of land located along Pfautz Hill Road from Suburban Residential (R-1) to Mobile Home Park Residential (MHP).
- 2. The property currently contains 29 mobile home dwelling units, and the Mobile Home Park has been in existence since the late 1950's.
- 3. Based on the current use of the property as well as any proposed expansion of the property with additional mobile home dwelling units, we believe that allowing this re-zoning request, that may lead to a possible future expansion, would not create any significant negative impacts to the adjacent roadway network. For a point of reference, a single-family dwelling unit generates approximately 9.43 trips per day while a mobile home dwelling unit generates approximately 7.12 trips per day.
- 4. Based on the information contained in the petition, and our knowledge of the site and its surrounding features, we do not have any concerns with the proposed rezoning request, from a traffic point of view.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to call me.



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County Commissioners

Ray D'Agostino, Chairman Joshua G. Parsons, Vice Chairman John B. Trescot, Commissioner

Executive Director Scott W. Standish

MEMORANDUM

To:

Jeffrey Mitchell, Secretary East Cocalico Township

From:

J. Mark Huber, AICP, RLA

Senior Planner

Date:

July 13, 2023

Re:

CPO #: 8-200, Rezoning East Cocalico Township

LCPC Meeting of July 10, 2023

SITE INFORMATION

Owner(s):

Hardi, LLC

Applicant:

Hardi, LLC 0806832700000

Parcel ID #: Address:

Location:

Pfautz Hill Road, Ephrata PA South side of Pfautz Hill Road, west of its Reading Road (Rt. 272)

intersection

The Lancaster County Planning Department (LCPD) staff has reviewed the abovereferenced draft rezoning and recommends disapproval.

PROPOSAL

The Applicant, Hardi, LLC, proposes to rezone a 19.72-acre tract of land on Pfautz Hill Road from Suburban Residential (R-1) to Mobile Home Park Residential (MHP).

This proposed change would correct a zoning non-conformity for the existing 29-unit Pfautz Hill Mobile Home Park, a neighborhood that has existed on a portion of this site since the late 1950s/early 1960s. Mobile home parks are not a permitted use in this R1 zoning district.

BACKGROUND

The 19.72-acre tract proposed for rezoning is in the Cocalico Urban Growth Area, and it is serviced by both public water and public sewer. Approximately 5 acres of the subject tract fronting Pfautz Hill Road contain the 29 mobile homes, while the remaining 15 acres are in agricultural use.



This site is surrounded by a Rural Residential zoning district on the opposite side of Pfautz Hill Road, a General Commercial zoning district to the southeast, and a property to the southwest which was recommended for rezoning to Limited Industrial at last month's Lancaster County Planning Commission (LCPC) meeting. A 6.8-acre MHP District is also located 1,500' west of the subject tract.

Proposed MHP zoning permits by-right existing mobile home parks, as well as agricultural, forestry, parks, and single-family detached dwelling uses. It permits new mobile home parks by Special Exception, but the maximum permitted density is 5 units/acre.

The present R1 zoning permits a wider variety of uses than the proposed MHP zoning district. Of significance is R1 inclusion by-right of Village Overlay Zone (VO) developments to encourage a village-like design that provides for mixed uses, a variety of housing types, and residential densities up to 8 units/acre. Aside from this Village Overlay Zone option, R1 zoning permits by-right single-family detached dwellings at a maximum density of 4.3 units per acre if public water and sewer services are provided.

COMMENTARY

The proposed rezoning relates to these specific places 2040's Big Ideas, policies, and catalytic tools:

Creating Great Places

Provide a greater supply and diversity of housing types to own and rent: In addition to single-family detached dwellings, the existing R1 zoning provides the Village Overlay Zone (VO) option by-right. The VO allows for a mix of compatible commercial and residential uses, and it supports designs that, when implemented properly, create vibrant neighborhoods with a sense of place that also efficiently provide needed housing diversity. The VO is not a permitted use in the proposed MHP district. If this property is rezoned to MHP, it would significantly limit permitted housing options to include only mobile homes and single-family detached dwellings.

Growing Responsibly

Grow where we're already growing: The existing R1, and to a lesser extent the proposed MHP zoning, have the potential to guide future development of this Cocalico Urban Growth Area site, and the potential to leverage previous investments of water, sewer, transportation, and employment infrastructure.

Build more compactly and efficiently: Neither the existing R1 zoning ordinance with its single-family detached dwellings, nor the proposed MHP zoning ordinance reach the recommended average housing density for the Cocalico Urban Growth Area, even if permitted maximum densities were achieved. The R1's VO option is the only present opportunity to achieve these recommended densities, but VO development is not an option in the proposed MHP zoning district ordinance. Building more compactly and efficiently within the Township's established Growth Areas allows for needed housing construction without impacting natural or agricultural land located outside the Urban Growth Boundary.

Catalytic Tools: Simplify Zoning

Present ordinances are a good example of where Simplify Zoning initiatives could be implemented to achieve multiple goals. If the present R1 Zoning Ordinance were amended to include existing and/or new mobile home parks as a use by Special Exception, it would become easier to eliminate the current zoning non-conformity while providing greater housing choice in the Township's residential zoning district.

CONSISTENCY WITH COMPREHENSIVE PLANS

places 2040 - Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan

The proposed rezoning is generally inconsistent with places 2040 per the previously stated concerns.

Strategic Comprehensive Plan for the Cocalico Region (2003)

This plan includes Goals for Land Use and Environment including "retain the Region's rural character by focusing new developments to 'small-town' compact growth areas that can be efficiently served by a wide range of public facilities, services, utilities, and roads;" and "provide for a wide range of housing types". The proposed rezoning would reduce the range of housing types permitted in this designated Growth Area which is served by public infrastructure.

RECOMMENDATION

Lancaster County Planning Department staff recommends disapproval of the rezoning with the following comments:

- The proposed rezoning would eliminate the opportunity to develop a UGA site with a broader mix of uses and varied housing types, and it would eliminate the opportunity to develop land at a higher density as needed to limit any future Growth Boundary expansion.
- Mobile homes are a key housing option. To address the zoning non-conformity presented by the existing Pfautz Hill Mobile Home Park, while also continuing to offer a greater variety of uses permitted in R1 zoning, LCPD staff suggests that East Cocalico Township amend R1 Zoning District ordinance text to permit existing mobile home parks by-right, and to allow for new or expanded mobile home parks by Special Exception.

This review was done with the assistance of Joella Neff.

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Copy: Jennifer Mejia, Mejia Law Group, LLC

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