

**BOROUGH OF PORTLAND
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION #2014-7

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING A NEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE BOROUGH OF
PORTLAND PURSUANT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPALITIES PLANNING
CODE**

WHEREAS, the Borough of the Portland (the "Borough") is a Pennsylvania municipality organized and existing under the Pennsylvania Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S.A. Section 101, et seq., or its predecessor statutes;

WHEREAS, Article III, Comprehensive Plan, of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, 53 P.S. Sec. 10301 et seq., authorizes the Borough Council, as the governing body of the Borough, to adopt a comprehensive plan for the Borough;

WHEREAS, the Borough Council previously adopted a comprehensive plan for the Borough in 1966 (the "Prior Comprehensive Plan"), and finds that, due to the passage of time and developments in the Borough, a new, updated comprehensive plan should be prepared and adopted;

WHEREAS, the Borough Planning Commission, with the assistance of the Comprehensive Plan Update Committee, and the Borough's consultant, UTRS, Inc., has prepared a proposed new Comprehensive Plan (the "Proposed Comprehensive Plan");

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public meeting on February 12, 2014, on a draft of the Proposed Comprehensive Plan, and received public comment on the draft Proposed Comprehensive Plan;

WHEREAS, the Borough Planning Commission has recommended to the Borough Council that the Proposed Comprehensive Plan be adopted;

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has held this day a public hearing, pursuant to public notice, to receive any additional comment on the Proposed Comprehensive Plan;

WHEREAS, forty-five (45) days prior to the Borough Council's public hearing on the Proposed Comprehensive Plan, the Borough sent the Proposed Comprehensive Plan to the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission, the Bangor Area School District, and contiguous municipalities, for review and comment, and the

Borough Council has considered the comments of these organizations, to the extent received; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds that adoption of the Proposed Comprehensive Plan is in the best interests of the Borough's residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Proposed Comprehensive Plan is adopted as the Borough's Comprehensive Plan (hereinafter referred to as the "2014 Comprehensive Plan"). The adopted 2014 Comprehensive Plan replaces the Prior Comprehensive Plan in its entirety.

2. The 2014 Comprehensive Plan consists of the following maps, charts, textual matter and other matters:

Plan Sections

Key Questions

Introduction and Overview

Opportunities and Challenges

Community Conservation and Development Goals and Objectives

Action Plan

Land Use

Community Facilities and Services

Natural Resources

Housing Analysis and Recommendations

Transportation

Historic Resources

Key Demographic Observations

Appendix - Road Inventory Sheet

Charts

Included in Key Demographic Observations are charts detailing population, population projections, population density, age groups, median age, housing units, housing unit density, average household size, types of households, higher education, median household income, poverty rate, employment, and travel time to work.

Maps

Community Facilities and Utilities

Existing Land Use

Geology

Natural Features

Zoning

3. The action of the Borough Council shall be recorded on the 2014 Comprehensive Plan.

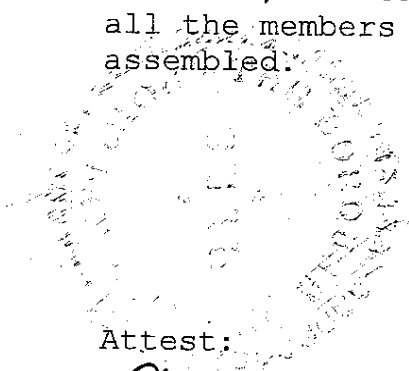
4. The Borough Secretary and the officers of Borough Council are authorized to take such additional actions, as may be required by the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code or the Borough Code, to implement the adoption of the 2014 Comprehensive Plan.

5. All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby repealed insofar, but only insofar, as the same are inconsistent herewith.

6. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is, for any reason, held to be illegal or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution.

7. This Resolution shall be immediately effective.

ADOPTED this 7th day of July, 2014, by motion duly made, seconded, and carried by a vote of not less than a majority of all the members of Borough Council, in lawful session, and duly assembled.



Stephane D. Steele
(Vice) President
Portland Borough Council

Attest:

Coral A. Hummel
Borough Secretary