RESOLUTION NO. 08052020A

A RESOLUTION OBJECTING TO AND OPPOSING THE PROPOSED SHEETZ DEVELOPMENT AND REQUESTING TRAFFIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDIES

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, a twenty-four (24) hour Sheetz gas station and convenience store is being proposed for a site located at 7870 Olentangy River Road ("Sheetz Development") located within the Olentangy Valley Shopping Center ("OV Shopping Center"); and

WHEREAS, the proposed site for the Sheetz Development is currently zoned Exceptional Use under the Franklin County Zoning Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the residents and businesses of Sharon Township, Perry Township, the Mt. Air community, Worthington Hills, and other surrounding communities, will be directly impacted by the proposed Sheetz Development; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Sheetz Development would have a severe detrimental effect to the residents and surrounding communities by exacerbating current traffic and environmental problems associated with the proposed location of the Sheetz Development; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Sheetz Development creates a potential and ongoing threat not only to the area water supply but also may have a negative impact to the Scenic Olentangy River waterway; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Sheetz Development would also create additional traffic concerns to an already overburdened public and private road system at the proposed site. Specifically, the Sheetz Development would overburden the private roads serving the OV Shopping Center and the businesses located adjacent to the proposed site. In addition, the existing road infrastructure and traffic light is already unable to adequately handle the existing traffic flows entering and exiting both the Worthington Hills neighborhood and OV Shopping Center at State Route 315 in both the morning and evening peak hours. The Sheetz Development as proposed would create significant additional vehicular traffic and congestion resulting in a hazard to the public health, safety and general welfare of the residents and surrounding businesses.

WHEREAS, based upon the foregoing, the Board of Trustees of Sharon Township, Franklin County, Ohio believe it is in the best interest of the residents to oppose the proposed Sheetz Development and to further request the appropriate public agencies and/or officials require both traffic and environmental impact studies be performed for the Sheetz Development.

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Sharon Township, Franklin County, Ohio (the "Board") that the following Resolution be, and it hereby is, adopted:

- <u>Section 1</u>. The Board hereby objects to and opposes the Sheetz Development as proposed. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the Franklin County Commissioners and the Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department.
- Section 2. The Board hereby requests a traffic impact study be performed for the Sheetz Development prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Zoning Compliance by the Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department. This Resolution and request for a traffic impact study shall be sent to the Franklin County Engineer, Ohio Department of Transportation and any other State agency or official deemed appropriate by the Board.
- Section 3. The Board hereby requests an environmental study be performed for the Sheetz Development prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Zoning Compliance by the Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department. This Resolution and request for an environmental impact study shall be sent to Franklin Soil and Water Conversation District, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and any other State agency or official deemed appropriate by the Board.
- <u>Section 4.</u> All formal actions of this Board, concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution, were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and all deliberations of the Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: August 5, 2020

SHARON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

Attest and Certified

Tony Palmer, Township Fiscal Officer

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