

# SUBURBAN BERKS WEST JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Sinking Spring Borough

Spring Township

West Reading Borough

Wyomissing Borough



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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SINKING SPRING, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING THE REVISED AND UPDATED SUBURBAN BERKS WEST JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF 2018

WHEREAS; A Joint Comprehensive Plan was prepared for the Suburban Berks West Region, Berks County municipalities consisting of the Township of Spring, and the Boroughs of Sinking Spring, West Reading and Wyomissing and


WHEREAS; With the passage of time and changes in population of the stated municipalities and for various other reasons, it had become desirable to revise and update the Joint Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS; The Joint Planning Commission, consisting of representatives from the four municipalities, under the guidance and direction of Matthew F. McGough, Intergovernmental Planner with the Berks County Planning Commission met from time to time and prepared a revised Joint Comprehensive Plan in accordance with Article III of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Code (Act 247 of 1968, as amended); and

WHEREAS; A governing body public hearing was held on September 26, 2018 in accordance with the Pennsylvania Municipalities Code (Act 247 of 1968, as amended).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Sinking Spring hereby adopts the revised Suburban Berks West Joint Comprehensive Plan, September 26, 2018.,

SINKING SPRING BOROUGH COUNCIL

By:   
Chair

By:   
Vice-Chair



A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRING, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
ADOPTING THE SUBURBAN BERKS WEST JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AS ITS  
OFFICIAL JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, Section 302 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, authorizes the adoption of municipal, multi-municipal and county comprehensive plans and plan amendments and provides that the same shall be adopted by Resolution in the name of the municipality, and duly enacted by the governing board of said municipality; and

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2003, the Township of Spring, Berks County, Pennsylvania (the "Township of Spring") adopted the Comprehensive Plan for the Township of Spring and the Boroughs of Sinking Spring, West Lawn, West Reading and Wyomissing (the "2003 Joint Comprehensive Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the 2003 Joint Comprehensive Plan was intended to address the long-term development and preservation of the participating municipalities, to provide a solid foundation for development regulations, to provide coordination of development, infrastructure and traffic across municipal borders, and to guide other public policies within the Suburban Berks West Region; and

WHEREAS, since July 28, 2003, there have been many changes in the Suburban Berks West Region such as the merger of the Borough of West Lawn into the Township of Spring, as well as the availability of new updated demographic, economic and housing information; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the many changes, the Planning Commission of the Township of Spring (the "Planning Commission"), the Boroughs of Sinking Spring, West Reading and Wyomissing, the Wilson School District, the Wyomissing Area School District, the Berks County Planning Commission, and the Suburban Berks Joint Comprehensive Plan Committee have participated in the preparation of a revised Suburban Berks West Joint Comprehensive Plan (the "Joint Comprehensive Plan");


WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has recommended the adoption of the Joint Comprehensive Plan to the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Spring; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Spring has complied with the requirements and procedures as set forth in Section 302 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code for adopting the Joint Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Spring, Berks County, Pennsylvania, that the Township of Spring hereby adopts as its official Joint Comprehensive Plan the Suburban Berks West Joint Comprehensive Plan, last revised April 2018, which is incorporated herein by reference, made a part hereof and attached hereto as Exhibit A.

RESOLVED and ENACTED this date of 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRING  
BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

  
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(Vice) Chairperson

  
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Attest, Township Secretary



**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-13**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF WEST READING, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING THE INTER-MUNICIPAL SUBURBAN BERKS WEST JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR SINKING SPRING BOROUGH, SPRING TOWNSHIP, WYOMISSING BOROUGH AND WEST READING BOROUGH.

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of West Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania, participated in the preparation of the "Suburban Berks West Joint Comprehensive Plan for Sinking Spring Borough, Spring Township, Wyomissing Borough and West Reading Borough"; and

**WHEREAS**, Borough Council recognizes the need for a new inter-municipal joint Comprehensive Plan to address the long-term development and preservation of the four municipalities, to provide for a solid foundation for development regulations, and to provide coordination of development, infrastructure and traffic across municipal borders, and to guide other public policies; and

**WHEREAS**, the inter-municipal joint Comprehensive Plan for Sinking Spring Borough, Spring Township, Wyomissing Borough and West Reading Borough has been prepared under the direction of a committee of representatives of the four municipalities and the Wilson Area School District and Wyomissing Area School District, with assistance by staff members of the Berks County Planning Commission and professional community planning consultants; and

**WHEREAS**, there has been compliance with the required elements and adoption procedures of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Code as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the inter-municipal joint Comprehensive Plan for Sinking Spring Borough, Spring Township, Wyomissing Borough and West Reading Borough consists of a bound volume entitled "Suburban Berks West Joint Comprehensive Plan", last revised August 2003, and including all maps and illustrations included in such volume, including but not limited to the "Land Use Plan Map dated November 2017.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby RESOLVED AND ENACTED by authority of the same that the inter-municipal joint "Suburban Berks West Joint Comprehensive Plan for Sinking Spring Borough, Spring Township, Wyomissing Borough and West Reading Borough" is hereby adopted as the official Comprehensive Plan for the Borough of West Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania.

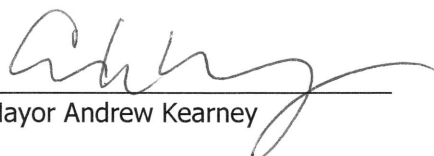
**DULY RESOLVED AND ENACTED** this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

BOROUGH OF WEST READING

By:   
Council President Nicholas Imbesi

Attest:   
Borough Manager Cathy Hoffman

Examined and approved this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

  
Mayor Andrew Kearney



**BOROUGH OF WYOMISSING, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-12**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF WYOMISSING APPROVING THE REVISED AND UPDATED SUBURBAN BERKS WEST AREA JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, a Joint Comprehensive Plan was prepared for Suburban Berks West Area Berks County municipalities consisting of Spring Township, Sinking Spring Borough, West Reading Borough and Wyomissing Borough, and the school districts of Wilson and Wyomissing Area in 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, with the passage of time and changes in population of the stated municipalities and school districts, and for various other reasons, it has become desirable to revise and update the Suburban Berks West Area Joint Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Joint Planning Commission consisting of representatives from the four municipalities, under the guidance and direction of Matthew F. McGough, Intergovernmental Planner with the Berks County Planning Commission, met from time to time and prepared a revised Suburban Berks West Area Joint Comprehensive Plan in accordance with Article III of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Code (Act 247 of 1968, as amended); and

**WHEREAS**, a governing body public hearing was held on September 11, 2018, in accordance with the Pennsylvania Municipalities Code (Act 247 of 1968, as amended).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Borough of Wyomissing, Berks County, Pennsylvania hereby adopts the revised Suburban Berks West Area Joint Comprehensive Plan attached hereto as Exhibit A. Pursuant to the MPC, Section 302(c), it is specifically found that the following maps, charts, textual matter, and other matters listed are intended to form the Suburban Berks West Area Joint Comprehensive Plan:

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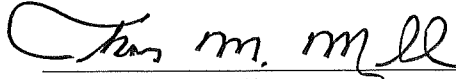
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**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if any provision, sentence, clause, section, or part of this Resolution shall for any reason be found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such determination shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections, or parts of this Resolution, and it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Borough Council of the Borough of Wyomissing that this Resolution would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid provision, sentence, clause, section or part not been included herein.

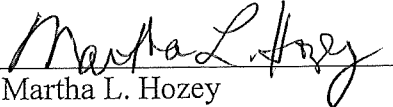
**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all Resolutions or parts of Resolutions inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby superseded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Borough Council of the Borough of Wyomissing has adopted this Resolution in lawful session this 11<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 2018.

BOROUGH COUNCIL,  
BOROUGH OF WYOMISSING,  
BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA



Thomas M. Moll  
President of Borough Council

Attest:   
Martha L. Hozey  
Borough Secretary

  
Frederick C. Levering, Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution of the Borough Council of WYOMISSING, Berks County, Pennsylvania, which was fully adopted at a public meeting held pursuant to notice as required by law on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Sept., 2018.

  
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Martha L. Hozey, Borough Secretary

Dated: 9/11, 2018

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