

**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

R E S O L U T I O N #20-395

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A SHORT-TERM LEASE WITH PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY FOR A CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL STAGING AREA ON A PORTION OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTY LOCATED AT 145 ROUTE 31 NORTH; BLOCK 33, LOT 1.021 & 1.022 (PENNYTOWN SITE)

WHEREAS, Hopewell Township (the “Township”) is the current owner of property located at 145 Route 31 N, Pennington, New Jersey, identified on the Hopewell Township Tax Maps as Block 33, Lots 1.021 & 1.022, and commonly known as the Pennytown site (identified as the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Property is currently vacant; and

WHEREAS, Public Service Electric & Gas Company (PSE&G) has requested the use of a portion of the Property as a staging /storage area for utility poles and bagged backfill stone to support utility reliability upgrades within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Property is located in proximity to the areas of planned utility pole and distribution system upgrades between the Mount Rose and Hopewell substations located within the Township; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G has requested permission to enter into a short-term lease with the Township for the use of the centrally located paved portion of the Property, which contains approximately 40,000 square feet, as a staging/storage area for PSE&G’s utility poles and bagged backfill stone; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G proposes a term of the lease to be a period of two (2) years, beginning December 1, 2020 and terminating on November 31, 2022 to accommodate the term of the aforesaid upgrade project; and

WHEREAS, the area within the Property designated for the proposed lease will be further detailed in the lease, which includes fenced screening along the westerly portion of the lease area; and


WHEREAS, PSE&G shall pay monthly lease payments to the Township in accordance with the terms of the lease.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey that the Township accepts the proposal from PSE&G and authorizes execution of a short-term lease in the form presented to this Committee with such changes, insertions and omissions as shall hereafter be approved by the Mayor in consultation with the Township's Counsel.

Date Adopted: November 9, 2020

CERTIFICATION

I, Katherine Fenton-Newman, Deputy Municipal Clerk, of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee at the regular meeting held on the 9th day of November, 2020, in the Municipal Building, Hopewell Township, New Jersey.


Katherine Fenton-Newman, RMC, CMR
Deputy Municipal Clerk