

TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE #16-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN ACCEPTING A PORTION OF 523 JUNCTION ROAD (“OLD JUNCTION ROAD”) FROM THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:16-28(a), a County may discontinue, by Resolution, any road or portion thereof owned or under the control of the County and return it to the jurisdiction and control of the municipality in which it is located; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.3 permits a County, by Resolution, to authorize a private sale and conveyance of property not needed for County purposes to a municipality in the County without compliance with any other law governing disposal of land by counties, for nominal consideration, provided that such land be used only for public purposes of such municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hunterdon (the “County”), by resolution adopted on Oct 31, 2016, vacated a portion of 523 Junction Road, also known as Old Junction Road (“Old Junction Road”), which is located within the Township of Raritan (the “Township”) and desires to convey that portion of Old Junction Road to the Township; and

WHEREAS, that portion of Old Junction Road to be vacated by the County and conveyed to the Township is more particularly described by a metes and bounds description entitled “Raritan Junction, Legal Description, Proposed Old Junction Road Dedication to the Township of Raritan, Township of Raritan, Hunterdon County, New Jersey” prepared by Menlo Engineering Associates, Inc. dated September 16, 2015 last revised October 14, 2015, attached hereto as Schedule A and further as depicted on a map entitled “Old Junction Road Dedication” prepared by Menlo Engineering Associates, Inc. dated September 16, 2015, last revised October 14, 2015 attached hereto as Schedule B; and

WHEREAS, the Township believes it to be in the best interests of the residents of the Township of Raritan to accept the conveyance of the portion of Old Junction Road vacated by the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township of Raritan, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows;

1. The Township of Raritan hereby accepts the conveyance of and jurisdiction over that portion of Old Junction Road, as described in Schedule A and depicted on Schedule B, which has

been vacated by the County by resolution adopted on October, 31, 2016 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:16-28(a).

2. The Township hereby agrees to accept the private sale and conveyance of the tract of land where Old Junction Road is located (the "Property"), as described in Schedule A annexed hereto, which land is no longer needed for County purposes, for the consideration of \$1.00, and further agrees that such lands shall only be used for public purposes by the Township, and that if such Property is not used so used, title shall revert to the County without any entry or re-entry made thereon by the County.

3. The Mayor and Acting Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the conveyance of that portion of Old Junction Road described on Schedule A from the County to the Township, and also to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the private sale and conveyance of the Property from the County to the Township.

4. At the expiration of the period of ten (10) days from the date of adoption of this Ordinance, the portion of Old Junction Road as described on Schedule A and depicted on Schedule B shall cease to be a County Road, and the jurisdiction over and responsibility for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repair of that portion of Old Junction Road shall vest in the Township. At that time, the portion of Old Junction Road as described on Schedule A and depicted on Schedule B shall be known and designated as "Junction Road Extension".

5. The Acting Township Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance in the Office of the Hunterdon County Clerk (the "County Clerk"), to be recorded and indexed in the road records of the County Clerk.

ATTEST:

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF
TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN**

William Bray
Acting Township Clerk

Karen Gilbert
Mayor

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Ordinance #16-13 was introduced at a Township Committee Meeting by the Township Committee of the Township of Raritan on November 14, 2016, the same was then ordered to be published according to law with a public hearing and a vote scheduled for the meeting of December 6, 2016 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, One Municipal Drive, Flemington, New Jersey at which time all interested persons will be heard.

William Bray
Acting Township Clerk

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Richard Chen, Committee Member	X		X			
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor		X	X			
Craig O'Brien, Committee Member			X			
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				X		
Karen Gilbert, Mayor			X			