

Delaware Township Resolution #2022-76 Historic Advisory Committee Guidelines

WHEREAS, the Township of Delaware has a rich history and cultural heritage that contributes to a sense of community and shared identity; and,

WHEREAS, the historic buildings, sites and artifacts in Delaware Township convey the community's aesthetic and cultural history dating back to the colonial period and before; and,

WHEREAS, the Delaware Township Historic Advisory Committee was created by the Township Committee on January 26, 2012 to help identify, record and promote the Township's local history and cultural heritage; and,

WHEREAS, the Delaware Township Historic Advisory Committee has recently developed guidelines for its membership, duties and responsibilities and is seeking the Township Committee's endorsement of the same.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Delaware Township Committee that the:

- 1. The Delaware Township Historic Advisory Committee shall serve as an advisory body to the Township Committee for the purposes of identifying, recording and promoting local history and historic sites, structures and artifacts within the Township.
- 2. The membership of the Delaware Township Historic Advisory Committee shall consist of regular members, each serving one-year terms. The members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Township Committee. At least one regular member of the Committee shall be knowledgeable about historic architecture and all members shall have an interest in promoting the local history of the Township.
- 3. The Committee shall select a chair at its first meeting of each year by a simple majority of the members present. A vice-chair and secretary may also be selected by Committee members.
- 4. The duties and responsibilities of the Delaware Township Historic Advisory Committee are as follows:
 - a. Identify and record the history of the people, sites, artifacts and buildings of Delaware Township.
 - b. Promote an awareness and appreciation of the rich history of the Township through programs, events, documentation and research.

- c. Act in an advisory capacity to the Township Committee, Township Planning Board and Township Zoning Board of Adjustment when a proposal or project might impact a historic site or structure.
- d. Monitor the sites and districts currently listed or eligible for listing in the State and National Registers of Historic Places, and provide information to the Township Committee so it may respond to the same.
- e. Provide recommendations to the Planning Board on the historic preservation plan element of the master plan, including historic sites and buildings listed or suitable for listing in the plan and the implications of historic district designations and eligibility.
- f. Reviewing the annual reports, if any, from the Township owned historic properties and providing status reports to the Township Committee.
- g. Maintaining communication with the Delaware Township Historical Society and the Hunterdon County Historical Society, as well as other local historical societies and organizations.
- h. Recommending street names to the Township Committee for any public or private streets proposed as part of development applications submitted to the Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment with said recommendations to reflect the Township's tradition and intention to use unique historical references for street names.
- i. Identifying grants to assist in maintenance of Township owned historic buildings.
- j. Maintaining the Township archive housed at Town Hall.
- k. This Committee shall in no way bind the Township of Delaware Township.

ATTEST:

Tiffany Crivelli, Deputy Township Clerk

Charles Herman, Deputy Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Tiffany Crivelli, Deputy Clerk of the Township of Delaware, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is correct and true copy of Resolution #2022-76 adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey on July 11, 2022.

Tiffany Crivelli, Deputy Township Clerk

Approved: July 11, 2022