TOWNSHIP OF ANDOVER SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE #2021-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ANDOVER, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ESTABLISHING A MIDBLOCK CROSSWALK ON LAKE ILIFF ROAD, TOWNSHIP OF ANDOVER, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-8 permits a municipality to establish certain regulations in the interest of public safety and the expedition of traffic along roadways; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 39:4-8, a crosswalk installed at a location that is not a designated stop-controlled intersection must be reviewed and approved by the Township Engineer; and

WHEREAS, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 39:4-8 permits a municipality to install or place an in-street pedestrian crossing right-of-way sign at a marked crosswalk, by ordinance, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:49-2; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee feels it would be appropriate to establish a midblock crosswalk along Lake Iliff Road ('Crosswalk') to improve safety for pedestrians and bikers that cross Lake Iliff Road when utilizing the Lehigh & Hudson Railroad Rail Trail; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has reviewed the proposal of installing the Crosswalk and has concluded that the Crosswalk is needed to provide a safe crossing for pedestrians and bikers when crossing Lake Iliff Road; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has proposed that the Crosswalk be installed on Lake lliff Road at the location where the Lehigh & Hudson Railroad Rail Trail intersects Lake lliff Road ('Location'), as identified in the Township Engineer's plan, attached; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has concluded that this Location offers adequate sight distance pursuant to the standards established by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, which distance will permit a driver to observe and safely stop before reaching the Crosswalk; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer proposes that the Crosswalk be installed with supplemental signs and striping that will serve to enhance the safety of this crosswalk.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Andover, in the County of Sussex, and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF MIDBLOCK CROSSWALK ON LAKE ILIFF ROAD

1. The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish a midblock crosswalk at a location that is open to the public or to which the public is invited as set forth below.

2. The midblock crosswalk shall be established pursuant to the provisions of <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 39:4-8, which confers upon a municipality the right to establish certain regulations in the interest of public safety and the expedition of traffic on roadways under the municipality's jurisdiction, and <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:49-2, which establishes the procedure for the establishment of same.

3. The location herein is designated as a midblock crosswalk:

Name of Street	<u>Location</u>
Lake Iliff Road	At the location where the Lehigh & Hudson Railroad
	Rail Trail intersects Lake Iliff Road as identified in
	the Township Engineer's plan, attached.

4. Crosswalk markings and regulatory and warning signs shall be erected and maintained to effect the above designated midblock crosswalk in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and guidelines established by the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

SECTION 2. At least three copies of said full Ordinance are on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk for public examination and acquisition. Copies are available for inspection or acquisition during regular weekday working hours and arrangements have been made for the publication of said proposed Ordinance in pamphlet or other similar form which will be available for purchase from the Township Clerk.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

<u>SECTION 4.</u> All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or any part of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance not directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed at first reading at a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Andover held on September 2, 2021. A public hearing regarding same will be held at a meeting scheduled for September 16, 2021, beginning at 7:00PM to be held in person at the Municipal Building, 134 Newton-Sparta Road, Newton, NJ 07860.

All persons interested both for and against said ordinance shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same. A full copy of the ordinance is available on the Township's official website www.andovertwp.org, or may be obtained in print from the Municipal Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Patricia L. Bussow, RMC

Administrator/Municipal Clerk

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NOTICE OF FINAL ADOPTION

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted at a public hearing held at a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Andover on September 16, 2021. Said meeting was held at the Municipal Building, 134 Newton Sparta Road, Newton, NJ 07860, at which time all persons were given the opportunity to be heard concerning same. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication, as required by law.

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Patricia L. Bussow, RMC Administrator/Municipal Clerk