

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Take notice that the Township of Chatham has filed a request with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, proposing to legalize the past diversion of approximately 1,000 sq. ft. of Esternay Park (located on Fairmount Avenue and River Road, Block 62.08, Lot 18 on the Chatham Tax Map) and approximately 1,196 sq. ft. of Colony Pool (located at 55 School Avenue, Block 105, Lot 6 on the Chatham Tax Map) in connection with the placement of temporary wireless communications facilities installed by T-Mobile Northeast LLC. Both facilities were removed in 2018.

As compensation for the past diversions, the Township has accepted payment of \$217,942.98 from T-Mobile Northeast LLC, to be used to purchase an approximately 0.86-acre portion of Block 62, Lots 93 and 94 in the Township of Chatham. These parcels have been dedicated as open space with Green Acres restrictions placed upon them in perpetuity.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.11(e), a hearing to obtain public comment on this request will be held virtually via video conference on:

February 24, 2021 at 6:30 pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84832234153>

The meeting ID is: 848 3223 4153.

You may also join via telephone at: (929)205-6099.

All information submitted by Chatham Township to the Green Acres program in support of this requested diversion of parkland is available for public inspection by appointment by contacting the Township Clerk, Gregory J. LaConte, R.M.C. at (973)635-4600 ext. 208 or via email at glaconte@chathamtownship.org, and at The Library of the Chathams, 214 Main Street, Chatham, NJ 07928, or by contacting the Green Acres Program offices at Adam.Taylor@dep.nj.gov. Requests to view electronic copies of this information can be directed to the Township Clerk, Gregory J. LaConte.

Written comments on the diversion request may be directed to Township of Chatham Clerk Gregory J. LaConte, R.M.C. at (973)635-4600 ext. 208, 58 Meyersville Road, Chatham, NJ 07928, or at glaconte@chathamtownship.org. Please also send a copy of any written comments submitted on this request to the NJDEP Green Acres Program, Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship, 501 East State Street, 1st Floor, Mail Code 501-01, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, NJ 08625-0420, Attention: Adam Taylor or by email to Adam.Taylor@dep.nj.gov. Due to remote working arrangements during the current state of public health emergency, e-mail comments are preferred.

Public comment on this diversion request will be accepted during the public hearing or by written submission until March 10, 2021.