

ARTICLE II
INTERPRETATION

Section 2.10 Purposes

The fundamental purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Township and to realize the community goals, policies and objectives expressed in the Township Master Plan by:

1. Promoting the orderly development of the Township.
2. Encouraging the use of lands and resources of the Township in accordance with their character and adaptability.
3. Securing safety from fire and other dangers and providing for safety in traffic, adequacy of parking and reduction in hazards to life and property.
4. Facilitating the development of adequate systems of fire protection, education, recreation, water supplies and sanitary facilities.
5. Conserving the use of public funds for public improvement and services to conform with the most advantageous use of lands, properties and resources of the Township.
6. Protecting fish and wildlife resources, water quality, scenic and aesthetic qualities, historical and recreational values.
7. Preventing flood damages due to interference with natural drainage characteristics of rivers and streams.
8. Promoting the economic progress of the Township and protecting and enhancing the property values thereof.

Section 2.11 Scope

It is not intended by this Ordinance to repeal, abrogate, annul or in any way impair or interfere with existing provisions of law or ordinance, except as hereinafter specifically repealed, or with any rules, regulations or permits previously adopted or issued or which shall be adopted or issued pursuant to law, relating to the use of buildings or premises, or with any private restrictions placed upon property by covenant or deed; provided, however, that where this Ordinance imposes a greater restriction upon the use of buildings or premises than are imposed or required by such existing provisions of law or ordinance or by such rules, regulations or permits or by such private restrictions, the provisions of this Ordinance shall control.

Section 2.12 Splitting Lots Within Recorded Subdivisions

No lot, outlet or other parcel of land in a recorded plat shall be further partitioned or divided unless in conformity with the ordinance of the municipality. The municipality may permit the partitioning of land into not more than 4 parts; however, any lot, outlet or other parcel of land not served by public sewer and public water systems shall not be further partitioned or divided if the resulting lots, outlets or other parcels are less than the minimum land area provided for in this act.