

**Ordinance #2017-15**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE  
MUNICIPALITY OF PRINCETON  
AUTHORIZING THE VACATION  
OF A TEN-FOOT WIDE ACCESS  
EASEMENT ACROSS BLOCK 1403,  
LOT 18 ON THE PRINCETON TAX  
MAPS (221 HERRONTOWN ROAD)**

WHEREAS, there exists a perpetual easement and right-of-way on Block 1403, Lot 18, on the Princeton Tax Maps, commonly known as 221 Herrontown Road, Princeton, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, on a strip of land along the easterly boundary of said property as shown on a survey by A-1 Land Surveys, Inc. dated August 22, 2016 attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, said easement was provided to facilitate access to lands behind Block 1403, Lot 18, which at the time were land-locked; and

WHEREAS, Princeton is the beneficiary of said easement; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the conveyance of the easement along the easterly boundary of Block 1403, Lot 18, Princeton acquired title to the lands adjacent to Block 1403, Lot 18; and

WHEREAS, the Princeton Council has confirmed that the perpetual easement on the easterly boundary is no longer needed for access to the lands behind Block 1403, Lot 18, because Princeton owns it and the lands adjacent to Block 1403, Lot 18; and

WHEREAS, the Princeton Council therefore desires to vacate said easement in that it is no longer needed for a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Local Lands and Building Law at *N.J.S.A.40A:12-13(b)(4)* authorizes the Council to extinguish and vacate said easement and to execute a Deed confirming same provided that action is authorized by Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Princeton Council as follows:

1. The findings set forth in the foregoing preamble are hereby incorporated as if fully restated.

2. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(4)* to execute a Deed extinguishing and terminating the ten-foot-wide access easement running along the easterly boundary of Block 1403, Lot 18 (221 Herrontown Road), the form and substance of which shall be subject to the review and approval of the Princeton Attorney.

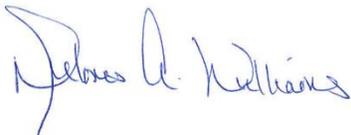
3. The Mayor, Clerk, Attorney and Administrator are hereby further authorized and directed to execute and file any and all such documents and undertake any and all such actions as may be reasonably necessary to effectuate the terms hereof.

4. Upon final adoption of this Ordinance, a certified true copy shall be furnished to the owner of 221 Herrontown Road, Princeton, New Jersey 08540.

5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as provided for by law.

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** This ordinance authorizes Princeton to vacate an access easement across private property on Herrontown Road because the easement is no longer needed for a public purpose.

I, Delores A. Williams, Deputy Municipal Clerk of Princeton, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Mayor and Council of Princeton at its meeting held April 24, 2017.



Delores A. Williams  
Deputy Municipal Clerk