

**BUCHANAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Resolution No. 2019-19**

At a regular meeting of the Buchanan Township Planning Commission held on August 28, 2019, at the Buchanan Township Hall, the following Resolution was offered for adoption by Planning Commission Member Dennis Wentworth and was seconded by Planning Commission Member Jerry DiPietro:

**A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED
BUCHANAN TOWNSHIP MASTER PLAN TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
AND CONSTITUTING PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF SUCH
MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, MCL 125.3801 *et seq.* (“MPEA”) authorizes the Planning Commission to prepare a Master Plan for the use, development and preservation of all lands in the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission prepared an amended Master Plan and submitted such plan to the Township Board for review and comment; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2019, the Buchanan Township Board received and reviewed the proposed Master Plan prepared by the Planning Commission and authorized distribution of the Master Plan to the Notice Group entities identified in the MPEA; and

WHEREAS, notice was provided to the Notice Group entities as provided in the MPEA; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on August 28, 2019 to consider public comment on the proposed amended Master Plan, and to further review and comment on the proposed amended Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the draft Master Plan to the Township Board on August 29, 2019, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. ***Approval of 2019 Master Plan update.*** The Planning Commission approves the proposed updated Master Plan, including all of the chapters, figures, descriptive matters, maps and tables contained therein.

2. ***Distribution to Township Board.*** Pursuant to MCL 125.3843, the Township Board has asserted by resolution its right to approve or reject the proposed Master Plan and therefore, the approval granted herein is not the final step for adoption of the plan as provided in MCL 125.3843. In addition, the Planning Commission hereby approves distribution of the proposed amended Master Plan to the Township Board. The Planning Commission respectfully recommends to the Township Board that the Township Board give final approval and adoption of the proposed Master Plan.

3. ***Findings of Fact.*** The Planning Commission has made the foregoing determination based on a review of existing land uses in the Township, a review of the existing Master Plan provisions and maps, and input received from the Township Board and at the public hearing, as well as the assistance of a professional planning group. The Planning Commission also finds that the amended Master Plan will accurately reflect and implement the Township's goals and strategies for the use, preservation, and development of lands within the Township of Buchanan.

4. ***Effective Date.*** The Master Plan will be effective upon the date that it is approved by the Buchanan Township Board.

YEAS: Danklakin Amber Bred Dennis Wentworth
Jerry DiPietro Scott Albright Kimberly Scarpone

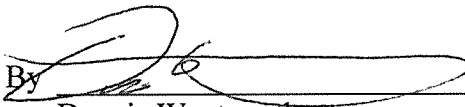
NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAIN: Sheila Reitz

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 28, 2019

By 
Dennis Wentworth
Planning Commission Chair