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## Mayor's Message



### REVELOPMENT STUDY, 500 BLOCK OF WHITE HORSE PIKE & LAUREL MILLS SHOPPING CENTER

Over the past few weeks, the Borough of Stratford has completed its due diligence, in reviewing a preliminary conceptual outline to explore the broad possibility of an apartment community development within the 500 block of South White Horse Pike.

The conceptional phase was the first step, and was undertaken prior to entering into a detailed planning phase. In short, the detailed planning phase would have included density, design and a multitude of other logistical planning.

Now, after considering all available information, assessing various impacts and hearing from our constituents, the Municipal Council has unanimously agreed to officially terminate the redevelopment study, and any consideration

for the proposed conceptional plan, to allow apartment housing at the location. The conceptual plan will not advance in the procedural process.

We thank our residents for their feedback and understanding as we considered the proposed concept.

As always, we will continue to actively seek opportunity for economic growth, to provide tax relief to our homeowners.

In another important matter, myself and all members of council are eagerly awaiting feedback from our Solicitor's Office on the precise status of the sale and transfer of the Laurel Mills site to the purported buyer, D.R. Horton "America's Home Builder". As of today, we have received no confirmation or communication that the property has transferred hands or gone to settlement.

We are fully engaged and I will report any meaningful information as we receive it.

On behalf of Mayor & Council, we thank you for taking the time to review this update on two matters of great importance.

*Mayor Linda Hall*