

LVPC PROJECT REVIEW SUMMARY SHEET

Comprehensive Planning

Date: March 2019

PROJECT	MUNICIPALITY	BRIEF STATEMENT OF PURPOSE	LVPC COMMENT
1. Zoning Ordinance Amendment	Upper Milford Township	<i>Timber Harvesting and Forest Management</i> – Updates the provisions of the Upper Milford Township Zoning Ordinance regulating both forestry and timber harvesting within the Township.	The amendment is consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan and the Southwest Lehigh County Comprehensive Plan. LVPC recommends that the Township review its definition of “Professional Forester” to ensure that it cannot be considered unduly burdensome. LVPC also recommends that the Township consult with its solicitor to determine whether proposed conditions on timbering within 75 feet of a trout stream creates an unreasonable restriction on forestry activities or duplicates or exceeds DEP’s Erosion and Sediment Control regulatory mechanisms.
2. Zoning Ordinance Amendment	Forks Township	<i>Employment Center/Apartment District (EC-3)</i> – Creates a new Employment Center/Apartment (EC-3) zoning district and reclassifies three parcels from the Employment Center (EC) to the Employment Center/Apartment (EC-3) zoning district.	The proposed amendment and zoning change in an area designated by the General Land Use Map for Urban Development is consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan.
3. Zoning Ordinance Amendment	Moore Township	<i>Temporary Residential Units</i> – Allows for issuance of a Temporary Occupancy Permit on properties in the event that an occupied residential unit is destroyed by fire, explosion, or other phenomenon and the owner of the destroyed property confirms that the destroyed unit is going to be reconstructed on the same lot.	The proposed amendment addresses a matter of local concern. LVPC commends the township for proactively planning for hazards potentially affect its residents.
4. Zoning Map Amendment	Allentown City	<i>B-4 Shopping Center Business to I-2 Limited Industrial (1811 S. Glenwood St.)</i> – Rezones a parcels at 1811 S. Glenwood Street, adjacent to Queen City Airport, from Shopping Center Business (B-4) to Limited Industrial (I-2).	The proposed rezoning in an area designated by the General Land Use Map for Urban Development is consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan.

5. Public Utilities Commission	Upper Macungie Township & Lower Macungie Township	<i>Breinigsville-Alburtis 500kV Transmission Line Rebuild</i> – Proposes the rebuilding of approximately 6 miles of the Breinigsville-Alburtis 500 kV single circuit transmission lines to accommodate dual circuit transmission lines, and the replacement of existing 29 structures and addition of 2 new structures along the existing right-of-way and on the substation properties.	LVPC finds the application to be consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan because the project remains within the existing right-of-way.
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