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**ORDINANCE #2014-O-01**

**Amendment to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan**

WHEREAS, Title 22 of the Delaware Code empowers municipalities to develop comprehensive plans to guide their futures; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Camden adopted the 2007 Comprehensive Plan on May 5, 2008 and it was certified by Delaware Governor Ruth Ann Minner effective that same date, per Delaware Code Title 22, Section 702; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to update the 2007 Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Title 22, Section 702(e) which requires that:

At least every 5 years a municipality shall review its adopted comprehensive plan to determine if its provisions are still relevant given changing conditions in the municipality or in the surrounding areas.

WHEREAS, this Plan Amendment was prepared by the Town of Camden Planning Commission with assistance from employees of the Town of Camden Staff and the Institute for Public Administration (IPA), a unit within the University of Delaware's School of Public Policy & Administration; and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2013, the Town of Camden Planning Commission held a public workshop to present a draft of this Plan Amendment to the public and solicit comments on it; and

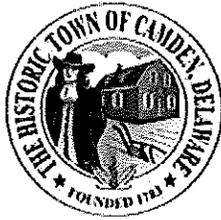
WHEREAS, the Town of Camden Staff presented the Plan Amendment at a Preliminary Land Use Service (PLUS) review on September 25, 2013; and

WHEREAS, in a letter dated October 23, 2013, the Office of State Planning Coordination registered no objection to the Plan Amendment, and several State Agencies provided comments and suggestions for consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Camden Planning Commission held a public hearing on November 20, 2013 to review the PLUS comments, solicit additional public comment, and make a recommendation to the Mayor and Town Council; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Camden Planning Commission transmitted a recommended Plan Amendment document to the Mayor and Town Council soon after the public hearing held on November 20, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Camden Mayor and Council held first and second readings of this ordinance at their regularly monthly meetings on December 2, 2013, and January 6, 2014 respectively.



NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Camden on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014, that this public body hereby adopts the "Town of Camden 2014 Amendment to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan," a copy of which is attached to and made a part of this ordinance.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FURTHER ORDAINS that a copy of the "Town of Camden 2014 Amendment to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan" shall be submitted to the Office of State Planning Coordination.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FURTHER ORDAINS that, pursuant to Title 10, Section 8126 of the Delaware Code, notice of the action taken by this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town; and finally,

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FURTHER ORDAINS that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Town Solicitor

Mayor W.G. Edmanson II

ATTEST:

Town Manager

Vice Mayor Justin T. King

Councilman Keyin Casquarelli

Councilman John Green

Councilman Larry Dougherty

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: DECEMBER 2, 2013

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: JANUARY 6, 2013

Public Hearing: JANUARY 6, 2013

Adopted: JANUARY 6, 2013