



Township of Egg Harbor

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Egg Harbor Township Enters Agreement to Purchase Fourth West Atlantic City Motel

During the summer of 2009 the Township adopted the Redevelopment Plan for West Atlantic City. The adoption of the plan was a result of twenty years of planning, negotiations and meetings with various governmental agencies to adopt a redevelopment plan to transform West Atlantic City.

A component of the Redevelopment Plan is the acquisition of the obsolete motor court motels on the north side of the Black Horse Pike. These motels, in addition to being decrepit, often were the location of arrests for prostitution and drugs over the years.

On Friday, January 3, 2014, Mayor McCullough announced that the Township had reached an agreement with the owner of the Hampton Motor Lodge to acquire their motel. The Township Committee at their January 3, 2014 meeting introduced an ordinance to purchase the property.

Previously, Mayor McCullough announced the Township had reached an agreement to purchase the Golden Key Motel, Star Motel and Fortune Inn. Mayor McCullough said “the Township Committee promised the residents of Egg Harbor Township, specifically those that live in West Atlantic City, that they would move to eliminate these blighted motels from West Atlantic City.”

The Township now has four (4) motels under contract that will eliminate 85 units and will provide 4.24 acres of land for future development.

The Township anticipates acquiring one (1) more property by early spring. According to Mayor McCullough closing on the four (4) motels is anticipated to be completed by March 1, 2014.

Funding for the acquisition for these properties has been provided to the Township through a grant from the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority.

For additional information, you may contact Peter J. Miller, Township Administrator at 609-926-4027.