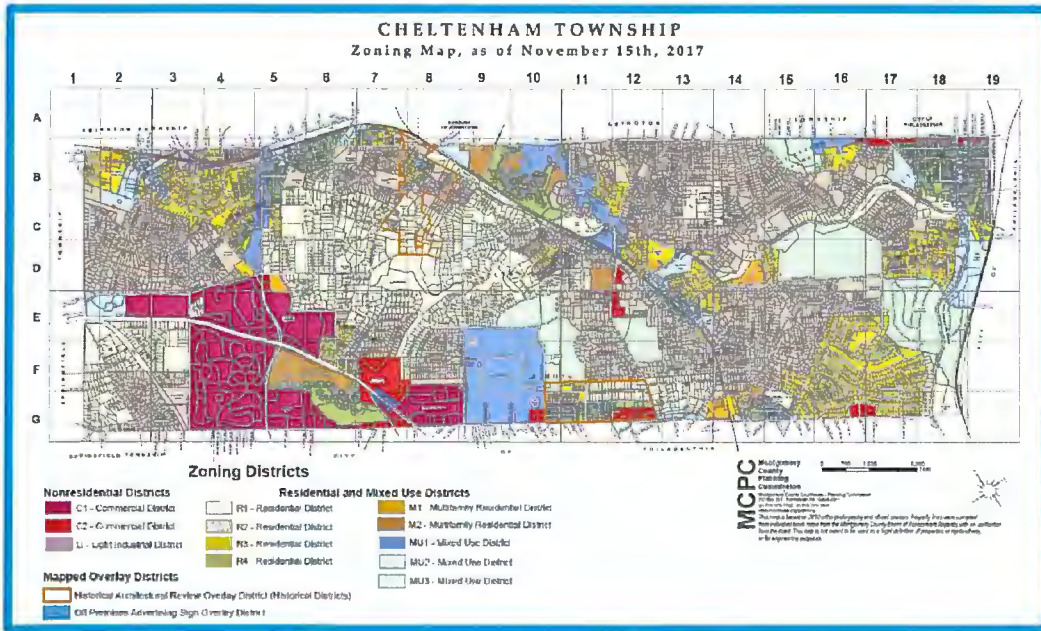


Act 537 Special Study

October 16, 2019





Agenda

Purpose of the Act 537 Special Study

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Purpose of the Act 537 Special Study

- Required by PADEP

Sale of facilities is not likely addressed in previous studies

- Current document to “assure that the purchase and management of the facility adequately meets existing and future disposal needs of the residents so the areas served by the system being sold” (PADEP, Winter Newsletter 2018)



Content of the Act 537 Special Study

- Description of the facilities
 - Address any changes in areas served
- Evaluation of Alternatives
 - Municipal, regulatory and O&M responsibilities
- Institutional arrangements to implement the alternative
 - Agreements, action by the PUC, or other legal actions
- Schedule of Implementation
- Municipal Adoption including Twp. Planning Commission
 - County Planning Commission/Health Department
- Comments
- Public Notice



Act 537 Special Study Process

- Develop draft Special Study Document – completed
 - Courtesy copies have been issued to Abington and Jenkintown
 - Issue Notice for Public Comment
 - In local newspapers – 30 day review and comment period
 - Distribute for public comment
 - Township Planning Commission
 - Montgomery Co Dept. Health and Planning
 - Abington and Jenkintown
 - At conclusion of 30 day comment period - combine draft SS with comment documents and public notice
 - Submit to PADEP for review and comment
 - Comments may be issued
 - Finalize document and resubmit to PADEP
- Note: WQM permits will not transfer until SS is approved by PADEP.



Next Steps

- Issue Public Notice for 30 day comment period
 - Distribute hard copies of the Special Study for review
 - Montgomery County Planning
 - Montgomery County Department of Health
 - Abington
 - Jenkintown
- Obtain comment letters and resolutions from Boards and Planning Commissions
- Combine documents into draft submission to PADEP
- Obtain comments from PADEP
- Finalize and resubmit to PADEP



Thank you.
Questions?

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