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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Planning Commission

**FROM:** Brett C. Wittenberg, Community Development Director

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance 22-1 - Proposed Batch Amendment for Accessory Dwelling Units and Home Occupations

**DATE:** September 29, 2022

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**BACKGROUND:**

In April 2022, Staff brought forth the topic of amending the Zoning Ordinance in order to help guide the Township in meeting the long-term goals and objectives described in the Comprehensive Development Plan. Two specific topics discussed at that meeting were to potentially allow Accessory Dwelling Units to be permitted within the Residential and Agricultural Zoning Districts of the Township and to address Section 4.3 of the Zoning Ordinance which deals with Home Occupations. Based upon the conversations held at the meeting Staff prepared amended Ordinance language which the Planning Commission did not have any questions or comments at their June meeting.

At the August Planning Commission meeting, the Planning Commission requested staff consult further with the Township Attorney regarding accessory dwelling units and gather additional information from the jurisdictions that currently have ordinances in place. As a result of discussions with the Township Attorney, further review of the Accessory Dwelling Units is necessary as there is pending legislation that could impact the current language proposed as part of the proposed ordinance amendment.

Staff is requesting that this item be tabled until the November Planning Commission meeting, to allow staff and legal counsel more time to do a thorough review of the proposed ordinance and evaluate potential implications of the pending legislation. Depending upon the progress of that

review, staff may split the Accessory Dwelling Units and Home Occupations into separate ordinances.

**SUGGESTED ACTION:**

**Planning Commission table consideration of Ordinance 22-1 until the November 7, 2022  
Planning Commission meeting.**