

ORDINANCE NO 675

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF EASTON, MARYLAND, ADOPTING A
NEW OFFICIAL TOWN OF EASTON
HISTORIC DISTRICTS BOUNDARIES MAP**

Introduced By: _____

WHEREAS, the Town of Easton is authorized by § 8-105 of the Land Use Article of the Maryland Annotated Code to designate boundaries for the Historic District within the Town of Easton;

WHEREAS, the Town of Easton has adopted Historic District zoning regulations and a Town of Easton Historic Districts Boundaries Map referenced in § 701.D.1.a of the Town of Easton Zoning Ordinance, which is Chapter 28 of the Town of Easton Code;

WHEREAS, § 701.D.2 of the Town of Easton Zoning Ordinance authorizes the Historic District Commission to recommend boundaries for the Town's historic districts and provides that their recommendations shall be submitted to the Mayor and Town Council for approval or disapproval;

WHEREAS, Talbot County, Maryland, as owner of 142 N. Harrison St., Easton, Maryland, Tax Map 103, Parcel 641, and 130 N. Harrison St., Easton, Maryland Tax Map 103, Parcel 642 (the "Property" or "Properties") filed an application dated May 5, 2015 (the "Application") to amend the Official Town of Easton Historic Districts Boundaries Map to remove the Properties from the Historic District as a part of a comprehensive consideration of the Historic District boundaries;

WHEREAS, the Easton Historic District Commission considered the appropriate boundaries for the Historic District at their meeting of June 8, 2015, and again at their meeting of September 28, 2015, at which time, after making full and proper study and with due consideration concerning the common needs of the Easton Historic District and the area as a whole, agreed unanimously to recommend to the Mayor and Town Council that a new Official Town of Easton Historic Districts Boundaries Map of the Town of Easton be adopted that excludes the Properties from the Historic District;

WHEREAS, the matter was forwarded to the Easton Planning Commission for its recommendation. The Planning Commission considered the appropriate boundaries for the Official Town of Easton Historic Districts Boundaries Map on November 19, 2015, at which time, after due consideration, also unanimously agreed to recommend to the Mayor and Town Council that a new Official Town of Easton Historic Districts Boundaries Map be adopted that excludes the Properties from the Historic District;

WHEREAS, after considering the appropriate boundaries for the Easton Historic Districts, the Easton Town Council wishes to adopt a new Official Town of Easton Historic Districts Boundaries Map that excludes the Properties from the Historic District; and

WHEREAS, the Easton Town Council held a duly noticed public hearing on this Ordinance on December 21, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town of Easton hereby ordains that:

Section 1. The Official Town of Easton Historic Districts Boundaries Map attached hereto as Exhibit A, which excludes 142 N. Harrison St., Easton, MD Tax Map 103, Parcel 641, and 130 N. Harrison St., Easton, MD Tax Map 103, Parcel 642 (the "Property" or "Properties") from the Historic District, is hereby adopted as the Official Town of Easton Historic Districts Boundaries Map for the Town of Easton.

Section 2. In accordance with Article II Section 9 of the Easton Town Charter, this Ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) calendar days after approval by the Mayor or passage of this Ordinance by the Council over the Mayor's veto.

Silverstein –
Leshner –
Engle –
Cook –
Ford –

I hereby certify that the above Ordinance was passed by a ye and nay vote of the Council this _____ day of _____, 2015.

John F. Ford, Town Council President

Delivered to the Mayor by me this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Kathy M. Ruf, Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Date: _____

Robert C. Willey, Mayor

EFFECTIVE DATE: _____, 2016.