

**2016-25 AN ORDINANCE BY PRINCETON  
AMENDING THE “WITHERSPOON–  
JACKSON HISTORIC DISTRICT” AND  
AMENDING THE “CODE OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY,  
1968”**

**WHEREAS**, the Princeton Historic Preservation Commission (“HPC”) hired Wise Preservation Planning, LLC (“Wise”) to undertake and complete a survey and evaluation of the “Witherspoon-Jackson” neighborhood, generally bounded by Paul Robeson Place to the south, Witherspoon Street to the east, Bayard Lane to the west and Birch Avenue to the north.

**WHEREAS**, Wise completed and furnished to HPC its survey and district evaluation report entitled “Survey and District Evaluation Witherspoon-Jackson Community, Municipality of Princeton, NJ” and dated November 19, 2015 (“Report” or “Wise Report”), which recommended the designation of the Witherspoon-Jackson neighborhood as a historic district; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wise Report indicates that the Princeton Cemetery was should not be included in the Witherspoon-Jackson Historic District as they saw no technical or resource protection reason to include it; and

**WHEREAS**, HPC has confirmed that the “Proposed Witherspoon Jackson Historic Preservation District Map” which was included in the November 19, 2015 Wise Report is in error as it should not include a small portion of the Princeton Cemetery designated as Block 21.01, Lot 14; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the comments received, from HPC the Mayor and Council wish to act upon HPC’s recommendation and remove Block 21.01 lot 14 from the Witherspoon-Jackson Historic District;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of Princeton as

follows:

1. Overlay Zoning Map Amended. The “Overlay Zoning Map of Historic Preservation Districts and Historic Preservation Buffer Districts, Princeton, Mercer County, New Jersey” is hereby amended to delete Block 21.01, Lot 14 from the Witherspoon-Jackson Historic District, whose boundaries shall be as shown on Exhibit “A” attached hereto.

2. Repealer. Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Code of the Township of Princeton inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

3. Severability. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

4. Effective date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage, publication and filing with the Mercer County Planning Board, as provided for by law.

5. Applicability. The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to the former Borough of Princeton and former Township of Princeton.

The purpose of the Ordinance is to delete a portion of the Princeton Cemetery, designated as Block 21.01, Lot 14 from the Witherspoon-Jackson Historic District, and to amend the map depicting the historic district overlay zones accordingly.

I, Kathleen K. Brzezynski, Deputy Clerk of Princeton, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Mayor and Council of Princeton at its meeting held May 23, 2016.



Kathleen K. Brzezynski, Deputy Clerk

Exhibit A



Witherspoon Jackson Historic Map - amended