### TOWN OF EAST NEW MARKET

# RESOLUTION #2012 - 0313

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COMMISSIONERS OF EAST NEW MARKET to adopt an amendment, in the form of a revised Map #4 "East New Market Proposed Land Use", to address a change in proposed land use of the Friendship Hall property from forest and medium-density residential to low-density residential and institutional uses with an associated minor text deletion on page 26 of the 2010 Comprehensive Plan.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Commissioners of East New Market have determined that the amendment is necessary to depict the change in proposed land use for the Friendship Hall property as the Town, with the assistance of the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, was able to successfully purchase the portion of the site shown as "institutional land use" for perpetual ownership by East New Market;

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Town Commissioners of East New Market have prepared a comprehensive plan amendment with the assistance of the Planning Commission, and said amendment has received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND TOWN COMMISSIONERS OF EAST NEW MARKET that the 2010 Town of East New Market Comprehensive Plan is hereby amended by the inclusion of a revised Proposed Land Use Map (Map #4) and minor text deletion (page 26), attached hereto, and made a part hereof, and shall be adopted.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS INTRODUCED AND DULY PASSED at the regular meeting of the Mayor and Town Commissioners of East New Market held on the day of March 2012, and is to become immediately effective upon its passage.

Town Commissioners of East New Market

David Carrier, Town Commissioner

David Tolley, Town Commissioner

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Mary Sensard Turned

Mary Dennard-Turner, Town Commissioner

Cindy Merrick, Town Commissioner

Approved this 13th day of March, 2012

ATTEST:

Patty Kiss, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Caroline S. Cline, Mayor

### **Commercial Land Uses**

Commercial land uses account for approximately 12 acres or roughly 6% of the total acreage of the Town. Most of the commercial uses are neighborhood type businesses that sell convenience products or provide specialized services. Some uses in Town include: convenience stores, a restaurant, a bank, a veterinary clinic, and a funeral home. Parking for commercial establishments is limited and continues to be a major problem since on-street parking is prohibited on the two State highways that traverse the Town center.

### **Institutional Land Uses**

Institutional uses comprise about 7 acres or 3% of the Town's total acreage. This land use category includes the Town Hall, water tower, parks, fire department, post office, and the various churches throughout the community.

It should be noted that the East New Market Volunteer Fire Company has purchased a tract of land northeast of the intersection of Routes 16 and 392 (Parcel 43) for the location of its future fire department.

### **Agriculture and Forest Land Uses**

Agricultural land uses represent almost 56 acres or 25% of the total acreage of the Town, while forested lands account for approximately 33 acres or 15% of Town's acreage.

It is important to note that both agricultural and forest lands are subject to requests for residential development. For example, a final subdivision plat constituting 20± residential lots has been approved for the Friendship Hall property located southeast of the intersection of Maryland Routes 14 and 16. East New Market's undeveloped acreage is large enough to support significant population increases in the future. In addition, active and inactive agricultural lands surround the Town. Most of these parcels have direct access to roadways, making development of these parcels even more enticing.

## **Overall Land Use Goal**

The overall goal of the Land Use Plan Element is to encourage the wellplanned, managed growth of East New Market in a manner that

# EAST NEW MARKET PROPOSED LAND USE

