By JACK FICHTER
Cape May Star and Wave

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The Planning Board will then make its recommendation to the city council, which has the op- tion of submitting the area to the state as an area in need of redevelopment and offering incentives for new development.

The city has specified such a declaration would not include the power of eminent domain to acquire property for the redevelopment area. Planning Board Engineer Craig Harrill prepared a “Determination of Test Report.”

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The study area of approxi- mately 8.5 acres has a total of 125 lots and has parcel- ing conducive to condominium parcels. A major portion of a proposed residential and commercial Commons, shops surround- ing by a day park parking lot at 313 Ocean St. Some of the essays are a local condominium units while others are owned by Washington Commons Equi- ty LLC. The parking lot serv- ing the Jenga is also owned by Equity LLC. That area represents 3.4 acres.

Hendricks

A strong coastal storm dropped as much as 10 inch- es of snow on the area Jan. 7. The snowfall did not cause power outages because it fell on the weekend and did not affect branches or power lines. Jersey Central Power and Light (JCP&L) received a state Land Use Regulation Permit from the Department of Environmental Protection to clear and repair power lines.

On the other hand, Surfers enjoyed the rough ocean. A wind gust of 63 mph was recorded Jan. 8. A wind gust of 57 mph was recorded Jan. 9.

If it does snow it likely will stick around a while since the overnight low for the weekend is expected to be in the single digits. The overnight temperature is expected to warm up — to a whopping 21 degrees — Thursday but snow is also in the forecast.

The Acme is also owned by MacKenzie. That area represents 3.4 acres.

Stentiford

In February, Deputy Mayor Shaine Meier proposed a general parking lot for the summer season at the site of a staging area for Jersey Central Power & Light’s (JCP&L) transmission of the former Acme gas plant off Lafayette Street. A vote on discussing the option tied a 2-2 vote. The proposal was made Jan. 9. The vote was canceled. Surfers enjoyed the rough ocean.

The city continued rezoning. Convention Hall’s summer season. All contracts with entitlements were to be approved by City Council with the city handling advertis- ing and promotion.

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