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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTY AT LONG CREEK PARK FROM THE CONSERVATION FUND, THE GRANTING OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO THE PIEDMONT LAND CONSERVANCY, AND A REIMBURSEMENT TO THE CONSERVATION FUND FOR PROCEEDS OBTAINED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES CLEAN WATER MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2017, the City Council authorized the purchase of property at the Long Creek Golf Course for development into a City of Winston-Salem park; and

WHEREAS, this sale was originally based on preliminary size information indicating the City would be receiving approximately 100 acres at closing and receiving an additional 65 acres from the Conservation Fund at a future date; and

WHEREAS, this arrangement enabled the City to apply for a grant from the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Clean Water Management Trust Fund (CWMTF); and

WHEREAS, the Conservation Fund is prepared to deed to the City all of that land which it received from Holly Hills Golf, Inc. (Long Creek Golf Course) in 2017; and

WHEREAS, as was agreed in the acquisition of the CWMTF grant, the City is prepared to grant a conservation easement to the Piedmont Land Conservancy for the land being received from the Conservation Fund, along with other smaller portions of the Long Creek Property; and

WHEREAS, the City is prepared to transfer \$123,250 it received for the CWMTF grant to the Conservation Fund in recognition of the over \$200,000 savings the City realized from the Conservation Fund participation in the project; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation and Parks Director and the Recreation and Parks Commission are both supportive of this proposal.

Winston-Salem City Council
APPROVED
January 18, 2022

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee and the City Manager, hereby authorize the acceptance of all of that land from The Conservation Fund which they received from Holly Hills Golf, Inc. in 2017.

BE IT FURTHER that the land and easements transfers are illustrated in attached Exhibit A through E, but are subject to final surveys.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is authorized that a conservation easement is granted to the Piedmont Land Conservancy for the City which is to be received from The Conservation Fund, along with other smaller portions of the Long Creek Property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is authorized that the Conservation Fund be reimbursed \$123,250 of the purchase costs of the Long Creek property, with this payment coming from the proceeds of the grant received from the Clean Water Management Trust Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to take the necessary steps and to execute instruments required to complete the actions described herein.