



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: March 2, 2021

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

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**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,
Approving The Acquisition Of Fee Title To The Fitzsimmons Property; Authorizing Execution
Of A Certificate Of Acceptance; Directing The Filing of A Notice Of Exemption; And
Authorizing All Other Actions Necessary To Complete The Transaction**

Whereas, the Sonoma Land Trust ("SLT") holds fee title to an approximately 205.4 acres in the Mayacamas Mountains lying adjacent to Hood Mountain Regional Park and Open Space Preserve, which parcels (APN: 051-010-083, 051-010-084, and 051-010-085) are known as the Fitzsimmons property ("the Property"); and

Whereas, SLT is offering to donate the Property in fee to Sonoma County as an addition to Hood Mountain Regional Park and Open Space Preserve; and

Whereas, Regional Parks' Director is recommending accepting the donation of the fee title interest in the Property; and

Whereas, the acquisition of fee title to the Property fulfills a goal of Sonoma County and Regional Parks to protect the Property's natural resources, provides a very significant addition to the adjacent Hood Mountain Regional Park and Open Space Preserve, and allows for compatible public outdoor recreation and education.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that this Board of Supervisors hereby finds, determines, declares and orders as follows:

1. Truth of Recitals. That the foregoing recitations are true and correct.

2. Approval of Fee Title. The Board of Supervisors accepts the receipt of the fee title to the Property.

3. Restrictions on Use. Subject to final approval by County Counsel, the Director of Regional Parks is authorized to negotiate restrictions on the future use of the Property that will be incorporated into the deed. These restrictions will limit the use of the Property to low intensity public access, educational opportunities and scientific research. Priority shall be given to the conservation, protection, and restoration of the Property's ecological functions. And Parks will need to obtain the prior approval of SLT prior to conveying, leasing or otherwise encumbering all or a portion of the Property.

4. Authority to Execute the Deed and Certificate of Acceptance. That the Chairman is authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the County of Sonoma, the deed to the Property as well as a certificate of acceptance of fee title in the Property pursuant to Government Code Section 27281.

5. Closing Documents. The Regional Parks' Director is authorized to execute any other documents necessary to complete this transaction as described.

6. Authorization for Recordation. That the Regional Parks' Director is authorized and directed to forthwith record with the Sonoma County Recorder the Grant Deed and the County certificate of acceptance; and to deliver conformed copies of these documents, bearing evidence of recording, to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

7. California Environmental Quality Act. That the Regional Parks Director is hereby authorized and directed to file a Notice of Exemption with the Sonoma County Clerk in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

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Supervisors:

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Coursey:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.