



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: May 11, 2021

Item Number: _____

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Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California, Authorizing The Director Of Regional Parks To Execute A Transfer Agreement With Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation And Open Space District; Accepting Fee Title To The Calabazas Creek; Authorizing And Directing The Chair To Execute A Conservation Easement, A Recreation Covenant And An Irrevocable Offer Of Dedication In Favor Of Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation And Open Space District; Directing The Filing Of A Notice Of Exemption In Compliance With CEQA; Authorizing The Recordation Of All Instruments Necessary To Accomplish The Transaction, And Directing The Director, In Consultation With County Counsel, To Take All Other Actions Necessary Or Appropriate To Accept Fee Title To The Property And To Establish A Permanent Conservation Easement And Recreation Conservation Covenant Over The Property.

Whereas, the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District (Ag + Open Space) acquired the 1,285 acre Calabazas Creek Open Space Preserve (Calabazas Creek) in 2004, and

Whereas, Ag + Open Space and Sonoma County Regional Parks (Parks) have developed a project that protects the Calabazas Creek's scenic and natural resources while providing for public recreation, which project is memorialized in a transfer agreement between the parties, and

Whereas, Ag + Open Space is prepared to convey Calabazas Creek to Sonoma County in return for the County granting to Ag + Open Space a conservation easement, a recreation

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conservation covenant and an irrevocable offer of dedication;

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

1. *Truth of Recitals.* The foregoing recitations are true and correct.

2. *Authority to Execute the Transfer Agreement.* The Director of Parks is authorized to execute a transfer agreement with Ag + Open Space.

3. *Acceptance of Fee Title and Authority to Execute Certificate of Acceptance of Fee Interest.* That the County of Sonoma accepts the fee title to the Calabazas Creek property and the Chair of the Board is authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the County of Sonoma, a certificate of acceptance of fee title in the Ranch pursuant to Government Code Section 27281.

4. *Authority to Execute a Conservation Easement, a Recreation Conservation Covenant and an Irrevocable Offer of Dedication.* That the Chair of the Board is authorized and directed to execute a Conservation Easement, a Recreation Conservation Covenant and an Irrevocable Offer of Dedication to be granted to Ag + Open Space over the Calabazas Creek property.

5. *California Environmental Quality Act.* That the 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.

6. *Authorization of Recordation of Documents and All Other Necessary Actions.* Authorization is granted for the recordation of all instruments necessary to accomplish this transaction, and the Director of Parks is authorized and directed, in conjunction with County Counsel, to take all other actions necessary or appropriate to accept fee title to Calabazas Creek and to establish a permanent conservation easement, a recreation conservation covenant and an irrevocable offer of dedication over the Calabazas Creek property.

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Ayes:	Noes:	Absent:	Abstain:	

So Ordered.