RESOLUTION NO. 2002-68

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA REQUESTING A \$150,000 FRDAP (FLORIDA RECREATION DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM) GRANT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF **ENVIRONMENTAL** PROTECTION, DIVISION OF RECREATION AND PARKS, BUREAU OF DESIGN AND RECREATION SERVICES, TO ASSIST IN CONSTRUCTING PUBLIC MIIXED-USE RECREATIONAL TRAILS CONSISTENT WITH THE ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE GREENWAY TRAILS MASTER PLAN & FIVE YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE TOWN OFFICIAL TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION AND GRANT REQUEST TO THE BUREAU OF DESIGN AND RECREATION SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) has announced that it is accepting applications from municipalities to provide grants for the "CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC RECREATIONAL, MIXED-USE, NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS;" and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, Town Council and residents of the Town of Southwest Ranches support the FRDAP goals and objectives for constructing mixed-use Greenway trails for outdoor recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Town, with a population of 7,000 residents, is the newest municipality within Broward County, since this is the second year of incorporation, and has not had the opportunity to renovate or construct a comprehensive linked mixed use trail system; and

WHEREAS, the staff of the Town, the Town Citizen Advisory Committee for the Comprehensive Plan and surrounding residents have met and agreed that the proposed design of the mixed-use Greenway trail system shall link the Town's outdoor open space and recreation areas in order to be in compliance with the County's Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes the importance of placing the construction of Phase II trials in the five-year capital improvement schedule of its pending Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1: The Florida Department of Environmental Protection Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) is hereby requested to consider and include the Town's request for \$150,000 with a 25% matching grant to assist the Town in developing the Phase II mixed-use Greenway trails system for outdoor recreation and "Open Space" purposes.

Section 2: The Town Administrator of the Town of Southwest Ranches is instructed to include the location of the Phase II Trails in its pending Greenway Trail Plan and the construction of the Phase II trails in its five-year Capital Improvement Schedule.

Section 3: The Town Administrator of Southwest Ranches is authorized to submit the grant application to FRDAP before its September 13, 2002 deadline and to be responsible for managing the project's implementation and monitoring.

Section 4: All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

Section 5: If any clause, section, or other party or application of this Resolution is held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, in part of application, it shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Resolution.

Section 6: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida this 12th day of September, 2002.

Mecca Fink, Mayor

Attest:

Arielle Haze Tweer, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

Gary A. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney