RESOLUTION NO. 2006 - 039

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF TWO GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO ARCHEOLOGICAL SITES MADE AVAILABLE FROM BROWARD COUNTY'S LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S COMMUNITIES TRUST TO ACQUIRE THE THOMPSON PARCEL OF VACANT LAND LOCATED ON SW 172ND AVENUE AND THE CHURCH PARCEL, WITH ALL STRUCTURES, LOCATED AT 17530 SW 46TH ST; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO TRANSMIT THE APPLICATIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners has set aside grants for local municipalities wishing to purchase conservation lands, including archeological sites; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has set aside \$66 million from its "Florida Forever Program" to offer grants to local municipalities wishing to purchase public open space before the State's 2006 cycle deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches has determined that purchasing two archeological parcels which will be protected for rural passive space and environmental purposes furthers many of the major objectives adopted in the Town's Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town's internal grant policy has been revised to require the Town Council's authorization prior to the submission of any grant application; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution seeks to comply with the Town's internal grant policy.

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

<u>Section 1:</u> Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

<u>Section 2:</u> Approval. The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby ratify and authorize the submission of two grant applications to the Florida Communities Trust's (FCT) "Florida Forever Program" for reimbursing the

Town for the purchase of the Church parcel and the vacant Thompson parcel before the FCT grant deadline of May 5, 2006.

<u>Section 3:</u> Authorization. The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby authorize its Town Administrator to transmit the applicable grant applications, attend all necessary meetings and coordinate the execution of final grant agreements, if any, between the parties

<u>Section 4:</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 9th day of February 2006, on a motion by Vice Mayor Forest Blanton and seconded by Council Member Don Maines.

Fink	<u> </u>	Ayes	4
Blanton	<u> </u>	Nays	1
Knight	<u> </u>	Absent	0
Maines	Y	Abstaining	0
Nelson	N		

Mecca Fink, Mayor

Attest:

Susan A. Owens, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

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

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