

RESOLUTION NO. 2012 - 038

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATION TO PREPARE AND TO TRANSMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, DIVISION OF FORESTRY FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE TOWN'S TREE CANOPY INVENTORY, FORESTRY MANAGEMENT PLAN AND DEMONSTRATION PRUNING, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000, WITH A EQUAL TOWN MATCH; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO TRANSMIT THE GRANT APPLICATIONS AND TO ENTER INTO THE REQUISITE AGREEMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the USDA Forest Service has initiated the Urban and Community Forestry grant fund program in which the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is accepting applications for the State of Florida through the 2011 National Urban Community Forestry Grant Program, a competitive grant program which provide financial assistance to local governments to enhance local urban and community forestry programs and improve the urban environment within the State Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Town is eligible for a \$20,000 grant for community forestry program improvements, which requires an equal Town match; and

WHEREAS, the Town's grant policy requires the Town Council's authorization prior to the submission of any grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to apply for this grant and to enter into an Urban and Community Forestry Grant Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services if this grant is awarded.

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

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

Section 2: Authorization. The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby authorize its Town Administration to prepare and to transmit an application and to enter into an Urban and Community Forestry Grant

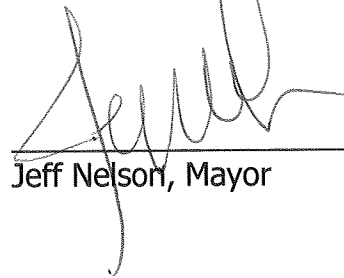
Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services if this grant is awarded, in an amount not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), with an equal Town match.

Section 4: Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 22nd day of March, 2012 on a motion by Council Member Breitkreuz and seconded by Vice Mayor McKay.

Nelson	<u>YES</u>
Fisikelli	<u>YES</u>
Breitkreuz	<u>YES</u>
Jablonski	<u>YES</u>
McKay	<u>YES</u>

Ayes	<u>5</u>
Nays	<u>0</u>
Absent	<u>0</u>
Abstaining	<u>0</u>



Jeff Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, CMC Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:



Keith M. Poliakoff, Town Attorney
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