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A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING MORRIS COUNTY TRAIL CONSTRUCTION GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders authorized the creation of the Trail Construction Grant Program (hereinafter "Program") to provide funding to any of its 39 municipalities for recreational trail construction projects; and

WHEREAS, the Program is funded through the Morris County Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund and requires a 20% match from applicants through a financial contribution or in-kind services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mount Arlington has submitted a grant to the Morris County Trail Construction Grant Program in the amount of \$268,696.55 for a project entitled McGregor Trails Construction Project.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mount Arlington has previously provided in Resolution 2021-85 a grant request amount of \$327,304.88 to the Trail Construction Grant Program during the Letter of Intent phase of the grant application process. The requested grant amount provided in this Resolution differs from the previously provided grant request amount as a result of modifications to the grant application package following a preapplication meeting between representatives of the Borough of Mount Arlington and the Trail Construction Grant Program, held after the submission of the Letter of Intent.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and governing body of the Borough of Mount Arlington do hereby authorize the preparation and submission of a Morris County Trail Construction Grant Application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and governing body of the Borough of Mount Arlington authorize the expenditure of \$104,500.00 in matching funds (\$84,500 via existing planning approved by Resolution 2020-88 and \$20,000 in additional planning costs) which exceeds the required 20% match for this grant, which can be met through municipal funds, all to be sourced through the Borough of Mount Arlington's general operating fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and governing body of the Borough of Mount Arlington acknowledge the grant program will operate on a reimbursement basis only and agree to provide full advance funding to complete the proposed project.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true and correct Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington and adopted on August 3, 2021.

Matthew N. Bansch, Borough Clerk