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## RESOLUTION 2019-R-06:

### RESOLUTION TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDING TO TAR RIVER LAND CONSERVANCY FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE JOSEPHINE BURT AND BLANCHE SUITT TRACTS.

- Whereas,** the City of Creedmoor has been approached by the Tar River Land Conservancy regarding participating in the purchase by TRLC of two tracts of land situated along Roberson Creek just outside the city limits; and
- Whereas,** the two properties consist of approximately 33 acres designated as the “Josephine Burt Tract” and approximately 42 acres designated as the “Blanche Suitt Tract”; and
- Whereas,** the lands are important environmental watershed properties, the preservation of which is beneficial to the Falls Lake Watershed and the water quality of the region; and
- Whereas,** the Tar River Land Conservancy is seeking funding commitments from the City of Raleigh Watershed Program and the NC Department of Justice Environmental Enhancement Grant Program to purchase and protect the properties in perpetuity; and
- Whereas,** the Tar River Land Conservancy has agreed that it will petition to voluntarily bring the properties into the City limits of Creedmoor and consider dedication of public greenway access not inconsistent with its conservation goals once the purchase is completed; and
- Whereas,** the City has a proud and substantial history of participation in the preservation and protection of watersheds important to the water quality of the region and Falls Lake; and
- Whereas,** the City believes that participation in this purchase will advance this objective, and add to the City’s permanent open space and greenways.

**Now therefore, be it resolved** by the City of Creedmoor that it supports the proposal by the Tar River Land Conservancy to participate in the purchase of the Josephine Burt Tract and the Blanche Suitt Tract as set forth below, subject to the condition that the Tar River Land Conservancy shall petition the City for voluntary annexation of both tracts upon closing of its purchase, and further subject to the condition that the TRLC will cooperate with the City in the future design and development of greenways and trails not inconsistent with the conservation easements and environmental purposes to which the properties will be pledged in perpetuity; and

**Be it further resolved** that the City of Creedmoor hereby authorizes the matching commitments of \$10,000 for the purchase of the Josephine Burt Tract and \$15,000 for the Blanche Suitt Tract to be transferred to the closing attorney upon confirmation that all other funding has been obtained and closing on the respective purchase is to take place.

**Adopted** by vote of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Creedmoor this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019, upon motion from Commissioner Anderson and second by Commissioner Nowell

ATTEST:

Terry A. Hobgood, Jr., City Clerk

Robert V. Wheeler, Mayor

