

**TOWNSHIP OF BYRAM
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 165- 2023**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN AMENDED PLAN
CONFORMANCE GRANT, HIGHLANDS COUNCIL GRANT NUMBER: 09-033-011-
1904, TASK 15A – OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN FOR DESIGN
ENGINEERING WORK IN SUPPORT OF THE CO JOHNSON PARK
IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Byram Township submitted a application for an amended plan conformance grant Open Space & Recreation Plan from the Highlands Council, Grant Number: 09-033-011-1904, Task 15A

WHEREAS, Byram Township has been awarded this grant up to \$137,790 the design engineering work in support of the CO Johnson Park Improvement Plan;

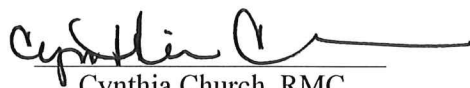
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Byram, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey that the Township Manager is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents associated with this grant.

BYRAM TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

	Councilman Bonker	Councilwoman Franco	Councilman Gallagher	Councilman Roseff	Mayor Rubenstein
Motion	✓				
2nd		✓			
Yes	✓	✓		✓	✓
No					
Abstain					
Absent			✓		

ATTEST:

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Byram Township Council at a meeting held on September 5, 2023.


 Cynthia Church, RMC
 Township Clerk



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August 15, 2023

VIA EMAIL ONLY:

The Honorable Alex Rubenstein
Township of Byram
10 Mansfield Drive
Stanhope, NJ 07874

Subject: Township of Byram Amended Plan Conformance Grant Agreement
Highlands Council Grant Number: 09-033-011-1904
Task 15a: Open Space and Recreation Plan

Dear Mayor Rubenstein:

On behalf of the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council), I am pleased to advise you that the Highlands Council has approved the scope of work (SOW) prepared for Byram Township by French & Parrello Associates (copy attached) for design engineering work in support of the C.O. Johnson Park improvement plan, which includes refurbished ballfields, stormwater upgrades, expanded parking, additional landscaping, pedestrian trail improvements, and development of a new municipal dog park. The proposed revised SOW, submitted on June 8, 2023 by Township Administrator Joe Sabatini, seeks grant funding in the amount of \$137,790. Pursuant to your request, funding is available within Byram's Amended Plan Conformance Grant Agreement to provide the not-to-exceed sum of \$137,790 under Task 15a, Open Space and Recreation Plan. As you know, this funding is contingent on the Township's ability to complete all the work described in the SOW within the proposed schedule. With this approval, you may authorize your professional(s) to begin work. A replacement Page 5 of the Township's approved Amended Grant Agreement is attached for your files.

Please do not hesitate to contact Herb August, Manager of Grants Administration (herbert.august@highlands.nj.gov) should you have any questions regarding grant funding or reimbursement of expenditures. For questions regarding technical deliverables, please contact your Highlands Council Staff Liaison, Judy Thornton, Principal Planner (judy.thornton@highlands.nj.gov). I also remain available (ben.spinelli@highlands.nj.gov) should you or your elected and appointed officials have questions or require assistance regarding any Highlands matter. We look forward to our continued collaboration with you in the important efforts to protect and preserve the Highlands Region.

Sincerely,

Benjamin L. Spinelli, Esq.
Executive Director

Enclosure(s): Approved Scope of Work
Replacement Page 5 of the Amended Grant Agreement

cc: Joseph W. Sabatini, Township Manager
Philip Crosson, Jr., Township Deputy Manager
Cindy Church, Township Clerk

7. Plan Conformance Implementation

Program Specifications:

Grantee shall administer and perform the obligations set forth in this Amended Grant Agreement with the Highlands Council and as set forth in this Amended Scope of Services. The following tasks are summarized below and more fully set forth in the approved Consistency Review and Recommendations Report and the Highlands Implementation Plan and Schedule which specifies the tasks that require a scope of work before any costs are incurred:

- Task 1 – COAH
- Task 5 – Highlands Council Training
- Task 6 – Zoning Map Update
- Task 8 – Master Plan Reexamination Report
- Task 9 - Highlands Land Use Ordinances
- Task 10a – Sustainable Economic Development Plan: Phase 1
- Task 10b - Sustainable Economic Development Plan: Phase 2
- Task 11a – Water Use and Conservation Management Plan
- Task 11b – Wastewater Management Plan
- Task 12 – Habitat Management Plan
- Task 13 – Stream Corridor Protection/Restoration Plan
- Task 14 – Municipal Stormwater Plan
- Task 15a – Open Space & Recreation Plan
- Task 15b – Long-Term Asset Management Plan
- Task 15c – Economic Development Strategy
- Task 16 – Lake Management Planning

8. Budget

Amount of Previous Grant Award	\$464,104.50
Amount of New Grant Funding	\$612,894.50

Project Cost Breakdown

Project Components	Cost Estimate
Task 1 – COAH	\$25,000.00
Task 5 – Highlands Council Training	\$4,502.50
Task 6 – Zoning Map Update	\$3,750.00
Task 8 – Master Plan Reexamination Report	\$11,000.00
Task 9 - Highlands Land Use Ordinances	\$35,000.00
Task 10a – Sus. Eco. Dev. Plan: Phase 1	\$10,852.00
Task 10b - Sus. Eco. Dev. Plan: Phase 2	\$25,000.00
Task 11a – Water Use & Cons. Mgmt. Plan	\$70,000.00
Task 11b – Wastewater Management Plan	\$9,260.00
Task 12 – Habitat Management Plan	\$15,000.00
Task 13 – Stream Corridor Prot./Rest. Plan	\$20,740.00
Task 14 – Stormwater Plan	\$15,000.00
Task 15 – Open Space & Recreation Plan; Long-Term Asset Management Plan; Economic Dev.	\$177,790.00
Task 16 – Lake Management Planning	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
Total (All Tasks)	<u>\$612,894.50</u>

Source of Estimates

As approved by the Highlands Council in the Highlands Implementation Plan and Schedule pursuant to Highlands Council Resolutions 2014-31, December 4, 2014; 2018-17, December 6, 2018; 2021-28, October 21, 2021; and, 2022-2, December 1, 2022 (modified July 10, 2023).

Revised August 14, 2023