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Title: Authorize (1) an increase in appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$756,966.00 in the Reforestation Fund; and (2) an acquisition from Dallas Hunting and Fishing Club, Inc., a total of approximately 124 acres of land located near the intersection of Dowdy Ferry and Merlin Roads for the 2400 Dowdy Ferry Road Reforestation Project - Not to exceed \$810,000.00 (\$790,000.00, plus closing costs and title expenses not to exceed \$20,000.00) - Financing: Reforestation Fund

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Economic and Neighborhood Vitality

AGENDA DATE: June 9, 2021

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): 8

DEPARTMENT: Department of Sustainable Development and Construction

EXECUTIVE: Dr. Eric A. Johnson

SUBJECT

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BACKGROUND

This item authorizes the acquisition from Dallas Hunting and Fishing Club Inc., a total of approximately 124 acres of land located near the intersection of Dowdy Ferry and Merlin Roads for the proposed 2400 Dowdy Ferry Road Reforestation Project. This property will be used for the protection of a historic forest and use as passive-use park land.

This acquisition is a collaboration between the Department of Sustainable Development and

Construction and the Park and Recreation Department (PKR). The consideration is based on independent appraisals. No relocation costs are associated.

The criteria for acquisition of forested land with Reforestation Funds includes: **1)** Acquisition of land for and to benefit the public good; **2)** Land acquired must be conserved and retained (Section 51A-10.102 and 51A-10.135) to support tree canopy coverage and the enhancement of wildlife habitat; **3)** The prioritization of sites that are development-threatened habitat areas and provide interconnectedness with natural area corridors for retention of continuous tree canopy, including city parks and riparian zones; **4)** Prioritizing sites identified for city-wide development regions to provide current and future residents the opportunity to have close contact with natural areas. The proposed acquisition meets these and other acquisition criteria of the Reforestation Fund as well as PKR's mission to be "responsible stewards of the city's parks, trails, and open spaces," and PKR's vision for the future of "a comprehensive system of parks, trails, open spaces, and recreation facilities that sustains, inspires, and invigorates."

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On April 8, 2021, the Park and Recreation Board authorized an acquisition from Dallas Hunting and Fishing Club, Inc., for development of a future park.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2021	FY 2022	Future Years
Reforestation Fund	\$810,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

OWNER

Dallas Hunting and Fishing Club, Inc.

Joe Crafton, Jr., President

MAP

Attached