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Res. No. 1462

Resolution authorizing the filing of applications for state assistance payments for municipal park projects within the City of New York and the signing of associated state contracts under the appropriate laws of New York State.

By Council Members Berman, Marshall and Michels (by request of the Mayor); also Council Member Rivera

Whereas, The State of New York provides financial assistance for municipal park projects; and

Whereas, Articles 54 and 56 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL") and any rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto require a resolution to be adopted by the governing body of a municipality to authorize applications for such state assistance payments; and

Whereas, In 1998, the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation awarded a municipal park grant, in the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) to the Friends of Van Cortlandt Park for the restoration of the Tibbetts Brook wetlands, and

Whereas, in 2000, the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation awarded a municipal park grant to the New York

Restoration Project in the amount of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) for the rehabilitation of Highbridge Park Trails; and

Whereas, on or about May, 2000, the Friends of Van Cortlandt and the New York Restoration Project requested that the City of New York/Parks & Recreation accept the grants and undertake the restoration of the Tibbetts Brook wetlands and the rehabilitation of the Highbridge Park Trails; and

Whereas, The City of New York/Parks & Recreation has prepared an application to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation for the transfer of the state assistance payments to the City of New York/Parks & Recreation for these projects, which are also identified in the list attached to this Resolution and incorporated herein by this reference as Attachment No. 1; and

Whereas, If the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation approved the application for the transfer of state assistance payments for these projects, it is necessary that a contract by and between the State of New York and the City of New York be executed in connection with such state assistance payments for each approved application; and

Whereas, The City of New York/Parks & Recreation is the agency charged with the management and physical improvement of all designated parkland owned by the City of New York; now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Council of the City of New York that:

1. The filing of an application for such state assistance payments for the projects specified in Attachment No. 1 in the form required by the State of New York, in conformity with the applicable laws of the State of New York, including all undertakings and assurances required by said applications, is hereby authorized;

2. Henry J. Stern, as Commissioner of the City of New York/Parks & Recreation, or his successor(s), is hereby authorized and directed as the official representative of the City of New York to submit an application for funds to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, in accordance with the provisions of Title 3 of the Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act of 1996 and Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 (Articles 54 and 56 of ECL) for the projects, in an amount not to exceed the amounts specified therein; to act in connection with such applications for grants of state assistance payments, including the provision of such additional information as may be required; and upon approval of said applications by New York State for such projects, to enter into and execute a project agreement for state assistance contracts with the State for such financial assistance to the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation for each said approved application;

3. Two certified copies of this Resolution shall be prepared for forwarding to the New York State Department of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation.

ATTACHMENT NO. 1
Environmental Protection Act of 1993
Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act of 1996

Tibbetts Brook, Van Cortlandt Park, Wetlands Restoration
Highbridge Park Trails

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