

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

*between*

**Passaic County Board of Chosen Freeholders**

*and*

**Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc.**

**WHEREAS**, the Passaic County Board of Chosen Freeholders (“Board”) operates an extensive Park System, including the Apshawa Preserve in West Milford, Friendship Park in Bloomingdale, Garret Mountain Reservation in Woodland Park and Paterson, Goffle Brook Park in Hawthorne, Pompton Aquatic Park in Pompton Lakes and Wayne, Preakness Valley Golf Club in Wayne, Rifle Camp Park in Woodland Park, SanCap Park in West Milford, Tranquility Ridge Park in Ringwood and West Milford, and Weasel Brook Park in Clifton (collectively the “Passaic County Park System”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board remains committed to investing in open space, recreation, and parkland in the County of Passaic (“County”), and is aggressive in seeking grant and private sources to supplement budgeted monies towards maintenance, programming, and infrastructure improvements in the Passaic County Park System; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to raise private donations for the Passaic County Park System, and qualify for grant opportunities not available to government units, the Board created the Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc. (“FOPCP”), a New Jersey non-profit corporation via Resolution No. 08-742 on September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, since its creation the FOPCP has undertaken a number of roles to enhance and promote the Passaic County Park System, including operating the annual County Fair, summer concerts in the parks, and applying for and receiving grant funds from a variety of private and governmental sources, including the 1772 Foundation for the installation of a new roof on the historic Rea House in the Goffle Brook Park and from the Horizon Foundation for the installation of fitness equipment in Goffle Brook and Weasel Brook Parks; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board seeks to formalize the role and relationship of the FOPCP in the County’s long term efforts to revitalize and rehabilitate the Passaic County Park System, and clarify its role in infrastructure improvements and programming therein; and

**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The County shall work in concert with the FOPCP Board of Trustees to submit grant applications, as applicable, for programming and improvements to county facilities.

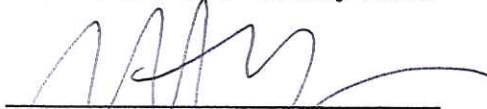
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2. The County shall, when appropriate, provide professional and technical support to the FOPCP's grant applications, manage infrastructure projects, and provide matching funds, as approved by the Board, to further investment in the Passaic County Park System.
3. The County shall provide space on its website for the FOPCP to post, among other important documents, its certificate of incorporation, its IRS non-profit exemption letter, the Board of Trustee bylaws, meeting agendas, meeting minutes, and audit reports,
4. The FOPCP is authorized to apply for grants on behalf of the Board for funding priorities outlined herein, including, but not limited to, infrastructure improvement projects, planning documents, and programming.
5. The FOPCP shall operate the County Fair on a yearly basis in coordination with the County and Board, including, but not limited to, raising sponsorship funds for entertainment and other activities at the Fair, retaining vendors, and coordinating daily operations.
6. The FOPCP shall operate a memorial bench and tree program whereby residents can purchase benches and trees for location in the Passaic County Park System, as approved by the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, to offset costs of same to the County.
7. The FOPCP shall seek to establish programming activities in the Passaic County Park System, including, but not limited to, a summer concert series.
8. The FOPCP shall undertake other actions, as appropriate, to promote the Passaic County Park System and increase visitation.
9. The FOPCP shall, on an annual basis, provide the Board with approved minutes from its meetings of the Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc. Board of Trustees and provide an audit report of its financial spending on a yearly basis.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Memorandum of Understanding shall remain valid and binding until such time that the Board passes a Resolution dissolving the FOPCP.

Friends of Passaic County Parks

Board of Chosen Freeholders

  
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 Meaghan Tuohy, Esq.  
 Chairwoman

  
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 Theodore "TJ" Best  
 Director

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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

BY:   
 WILLIAM J. PASCRELL, III  
 COUNTY COUNSEL

DATE: 9/26/16

# Passaic County Board of Chosen Freeholders

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## Public Meeting (Board Meeting)

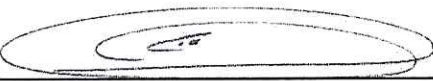
Date: Aug 16, 2016 - 5:30 PM

Location: County Administration Building  
223  
401 Grand Street  
Paterson, NJ 07505

Agenda: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND THE FRIENDS OF PASSAIC COUNTY PARKS, INC., ALL AS NOTED IN THE RESOLUTION

THIS RESOLUTION WAS REQUESTED BY:

REVIEWED BY:

  
Anthony J. De Nova III  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

  
William J. Pascrell, III, Esq.  
COUNTY COUNSEL

Administration and Finance  
COMMITTEE NAME

Official Resolution#	R20160664						
Meeting Date	08/16/2016						
Introduced Date	08/16/2016						
Adopted Date	08/16/2016						
Agenda Item	n-37						
CAF #							
Purchase Req. #							
Result	Adopted						
FREEHOLDER	PRES.	ABS.	MOVE	SEC	AYE	NAY	ABST.
Best Jr	✓				✓		
Bartlett	✓				✓		
Duffy	✓				✓		
James	✓				✓		
Lazzara	✓			✓	✓		
Lepore	✓		✓		✓		
Lora	✓				✓		

PRES.= present ABS.= absent  
MOVE= moved SEC= seconded  
AYE= yes NAY= no ABST.= abstain

Dated: August 19, 2016

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**WHEREAS**, the Board seeks to formalize the role and relationship of the FOPCP in the County's long term efforts to revitalize and rehabilitate the Passaic County Park System, and clarify its role through a Memorandum of Understanding; and

**WHEREAS** the Freeholder Administration & Finance Committee reviewed the MOU at its August 3, 2016 meeting and is recommending that it be approved by the full Freeholder Board; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Passaic that it hereby authorizes a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the said Board of Freeholders and the Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc.; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Director, Clerk to the Board, and County Counsel are hereby authorized to execute the MOU on behalf of the Board.

August 16, 2016