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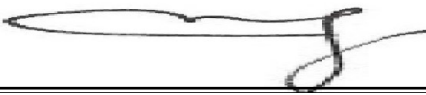
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Date: Jun 17, 2025 - 5:30 PM

Agenda: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR A CERTAIN
RECOMMENDATION FROM THE OPEN SPACE, FARMLAND AND HISTORIC
PRESERVATION TRUST ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR 2025, AS AUTHORIZED BY N.J.S.A.
40:12-15.3(b).

THIS RESOLUTION WAS REQUESTED BY:
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

REVIEWED BY:


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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:


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Meeting Date	6/17/2025
Introduced Date	6/13/2025
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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR A CERTAIN RECOMMENDATION FROM THE OPEN SPACE, FARMLAND AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR 2025, AS AUTHORIZED BY N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.3(b).

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Passaic (hereafter “Board”) created an Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Program (hereafter “Program”) in conformity with the will of the voters in the 1996 election, as authorized by N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.2; and

WHEREAS, the purpose and goals of the above is to achieve, in partnership with others, a system of interconnected open spaces, whose protection will preserve and enhance New Jersey’s natural environment and its historic, scenic, and recreational resources for public use and enjoyment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the mandates of the Program, the said Board did approve and appoint an Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Advisory Committee (hereafter “the Committee”) to study the open space issue and make recommendations concerning the distribution of funds to worthy applicants; and

WHEREAS, numerous municipalities and non-profit organizations submitted grant applications for funding under the 2025 Program rounding of funding; and

WHEREAS, since the recommended award for the below-proposed projects exceed one hundred thousand and 00/100 (\$100,000.00) dollars each, N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.3(b) maintains that a public hearing be heard at least thirty (30) days advance notice before the date of the hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has reviewed these grant proposals and has made recommendations for awards requiring a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Board to make the following award after a public hearing is scheduled pursuant to statutory requirements:

HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS

Organization	Project Name	Recommendations
City of Paterson	Restoration of Historic Steps in Eastside Park	\$ 225,000.00

WHEREAS, the Board requires an express condition that all municipalities receiving these funds must agree to place in their tax letter an insert that indicates that they received funds from the Program sponsored by the Board; and

WHEREAS, this matter was reviewed and approved by the Planning and Economic Development Committee on May 29, 2025, and

WHEREAS, after the statutory requirements of a public hearing are satisfied, certification of funds shall be made indicating that funds are available for the within contemplated expenditure; and

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.3(b), the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Passaic hereby authorizes the Clerk to the Board to publish in a newspaper of local circulation notice of a public hearing for public comments on the recommendations of awards as set forth above; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that as an express condition, all municipalities receiving funds must agree to place in their tax letter an insert that indicates that they received funds from the Passaic County Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Program sponsored by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Passaic; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing shall take place on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at the County of Passaic Administration Building at 5:30 P.M., pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.3(b) regarding the following possible 2025 Passaic County Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund award expenditure.

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