TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

(4) PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

December 6, 2017 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: SPIEGELMAN – BOWMAN – SCHREIBER – ROTHMAN – KALINOSKI

MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2017 Public Affairs Committee Meeting.

PA-01-120617 Consider Adoption of the Fair Housing – Resolution #17-033

Consider Adoption of the Fair Housing – Resolution #17-033. The Township of Abington receives an annual allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).As a grantee of these federal funds (CDBG and HOME) it is required by HUD to annually adopt a Fair Housing Resolution.

PA-02-120617 <u>Resolution #17-035 Closing Out Community Conservation</u> Partnership Grant Project (BRC-TAG-20-12)

Consider approving Resolution #17-035 closing out community conservation partnership grant project (BRC-TAG-20-12)



PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM

12-06-17	PA-01-120617	FISCAL IMPACT
DATE	Agenda Item Number	Cost > \$10,000.
Community Development		Yes No Vo
		Cost > \$19,700. Yes No 🗸

AGENDA ITEM: Adoption of Fair Housing Resolution #17-033

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Township of Abington receives an annual allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Township also, occasionally, submits an application for similar federal funds through the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for HOME Investment Partnership Programs federal funds (HOME). DCED receives the HOME federal funds from HUD to be administered throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. As a grantee of these federal funds (CDBG and HOME) it is required by HUD to annually adopt a Fair Housing Resolution.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTIONS:

On April 14, 2016, the Township passed the same resolution. Please see attached.

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:

Consider adoption of Fair Housing Resolution #17-033.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

FAIR HOUSING - RESOLUTION NO. 17-033

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS of the Township of Abington that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability is prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the Pennsylvania Human Act. It is the policy of the Township of Abington to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, age, familial status (families with children) religious creed, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability, use of guide or support animals because of blindness, deafness or physical handicap of the user or because the user is a handler or trainer of support or guide animals, or because of an individual's sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Therefore, the Township of Abington does hereby pass the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that within available resources the Township of Abington will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, age, familial status (families with children) religious creed, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability, use of guide or support animals because of blindness, deafness or physical handicap of the user or because the user is a handler or trainer of support or guide animals, or because of an individual's sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township of Abington shall publicize this Resolution and through this publicity shall cause owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, and any local laws or ordinances.

FURTHER PUBLICITY will at a minimum include, but not to be limited to: (1) the printing and publicizing of this resolution and other applicable fair housing information through local media and community contracts: (2) distribution of posters, flyers, and any other means which will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning equal opportunity in housing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 14, 2017.

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

ATTEST:

Wayne C. Luker, President Board of Commissioners

Richard J. Manfredi, Secretary

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA



FAIR HOUSING - RESOLUTION NO. 16-016

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS of the Township of Abington that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability is prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the Pennsylvania Human Act. It is the policy of the Township of Abington to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, age, familial status (families with children) religious creed, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability, use of guide or support animals because of blindness, deafness or physical handicap of the user or because the user is a handler or trainer of support or guide animals, or because of an individual's sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Therefore, the Township of Abington does hereby pass the following resolution.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township of Abington shall publicize this Resolution and through this publicity shall cause owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, and any local laws or ordinances.

FURTHER PUBLICITY will at a minimum include, but not to be limited to: (1) the printing and publicizing of this resolution and other applicable fair housing information through local media and community contracts: (2) distribution of posters, flyers, and any other means which will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning equal opportunity in housing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 14, 2016.

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP Wayne C. Luker, Presiden

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ATTEST:

Michael LeFevre, Secretary



PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM

12-06-17	PA-02-120617	FISCAL IMPACT
Date	Agenda Item Number	Cost > \$10,000.
Briar Bush		Yes No 🖌
Department		PUBLIC BID REQUIRED
		Cost > \$19,700.
		Yes No 🖌

AGENDA ITEM:

Resolution #17-035 Closing out Community Conservation Partnership Grant Project (BRC-TAG-20-12)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTIONS:

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:

Consider approving Resolution #17-035 Closing out Community Conservation Partnership Grant Project (BRC-TAG-20-12)

RESOLUTION NO.17-035

A RESOLUTION CLOSING OUT COMMUNITY CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIPS GRANT PROJECT (BRC-TAG-20-12)

WHEREAS, Abington Township Briar Bush Nature Center has prepared a Master Site Plan for the

Briar Bush Nature Center outdoor grounds area; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Plan is to develop a more effective and accessible site to better meet Briar Bush Nature Center's mission; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan was financed in part by a Community Conservation Partnerships Program grant under the administration of the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Bureau of Recreation and Conservation, under contract number **BRC**-TAG-20-12.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Abington Township Board of Commissioners

Of Abington Township that:

- a. The project was completed in accordance with the Grant Agreement.
- b. All project expenditures have been made and were in accordance with the Grant Agreement.
- c. The Plan and related materials are acceptable to Abington Township.
- d. The Plan and related materials will be used to guide future recreation and conservation decisions.

ADOPTED THIS ______, ____, by the

Abington Township_____ (Name of governing body and name of grantee)

(Signature, name and title of chief official, president, or chairperson)

Attest:

(Signature and title)