

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Authorizing the Transfer of \$15,000)
to be Paid from the Natural Areas Acquisition)
and Protection Fund to the City of Portland for)
Acquiring 15.38 acres of Land to be Added to)
Forest Park.)

RESOLUTION NO. 94-136

WHEREAS, the Portland Audubon Society is selling 23 acres at the northeast ridge top of Balch Canyon outside the City of Portland in unincorporated Multnomah County.

WHEREAS, the Audubon property is surrounded on 2.5 sides by Forest Park and located in the Balch Creek watershed. The property will provide substantial water quality benefits and preserve the high quality of adjacent wildlife habitat areas.

WHEREAS, the Friends of Forest Park have requested Multnomah County and the City of Portland's financial support for the acquisition of the Audubon property.

WHEREAS, the 23 acre is available for \$87,500, the assessed value of the property.

WHEREAS, the Friends of Forest Park have worked out an agreement with the Portland Audubon Society to purchase two of the four parcels now and the remaining property in four years.

WHEREAS, the City of Portland is contributing \$37,500 for the acquisition of parcels I and IV. Friends of Forest Park is contributing \$5,000.

WHEREAS, Friends of Forest Park have requested Multnomah County contribute \$15,000 from the Natural Areas Acquisition and Protection Fund towards the purchase of parcels I and IV.

WHEREAS, in 1990, the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners created the Natural Areas Acquisition and Protection Fund for the purpose of acquiring, protecting, and managing natural areas included in the Natural Areas Plan.

WHEREAS, the Audubon property is located in the Tualatin Mt. Corridor which is an area identified in the Natural Area Plan for acquisition and protection.

WHEREAS, the Friends of Forest Park will complete the acquisition project by acquiring parcels for II and III for \$30,000 in the next four years and will ultimately donate the property to the City of Portland for park purposes.

WHEREAS, the City of Portland will be the owner and manager of the property as part of Forest Park.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of County Commissioners authorizes the transfer of \$15,000 to be paid from the Natural Areas Acquisition and Protection Fund to be paid to the City of Portland for the purchase of 15.38 acres to be added to Forest Park.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of County Commissioners requests the City of Portland dedicate the acquired property for park use in perpetuity.

ADOPTED this 21st day of July, 1994.



By *Beverly Stein*
Beverly Stein, Chair
MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

REVIEWED:

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