GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE FOR BOLIN CREEK WATERSHED RESTORATION

WHEREAS, a Bolin Creek Watershed Restoration Plan was completed in 2012 which is the basis for the Town to continue to be eligible for 319 grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council approved the submittal of a new 319 grant application on April 6, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) Division of Water Resources (DWR) has approved a grant for watershed restoration work in the Bolin Creek Watershed; and,

WHEREAS, the grant is federally funded through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and is commonly referred to as an EPA 319 Grant; and,

WHEREAS, NCDEQ has awarded \$150,000 to the Town of Carrboro to stabilize streams and reduce erosion in an 11-acre drainage area in the Bolin Forest neighborhood; and,

WHEREAS, Bolin Forest Phase 2 HOA, Bolin Forest Phase 3 HOA, Forest Court HOA, and Friends of Bolin Creek will each enter into a memo of understanding to provide various in-kind services for this project, along with cash contributions of \$6,500, \$5,000, \$5,000, and \$1,500 respectively; and,

WHEREAS, Carrboro's Stormwater Advisory Commission, OWASA, Orange County, the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service, the UNC Institute for the Environment, the Bolin Forest Phase 1 and Ironwoods HOAs, and Stefan Klakovich from Carrboro High School have also provided letters of support; and

WHEREAS, the total project amount, including cash and in-kind support, equals \$258,036; and,

WHEREAS, the Town will pursue public right of way improvements estimated at \$20k, and provide Town staff for grant administration, as part of the local match for this grant; and,

WHEREAS, NCDEQ requires the Town to enter into a grant agreement to govern the receipt and use of these awards; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town of Carrboro deems this activity to be a worthy and desirable undertaking;

NOW, THEREFORE PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S 159-13.2, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO THAT:

1. The Town Council accepts the EPA 319 Grant from the NCDEQ for the Bolin Creek Watershed Restoration project. and authorizes use of these grant funds to be used for eligible purposes as approved in the Grant Application.,

2. Excluding in-kind services, total revenues for the Bolin Creek Watershed Restoration project are as follows:

| NC Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) | \$150,000.00 |
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| Bolin Forest 2 HOA contribution | \$ 6,500.00 |
| Bolin Forest 3 HOA contribution | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Forest Court HOA contribution | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Friends of Bolin Creek | 1,500.00 |
| Total | \$168,000.00 |

- 3. The Town and other partners listed above will provide a matching contribution of in-kind services, consisting of grant administration, project site work, and volunteer time. The value of these services is \$90,036, which includes 1700 volunteer hours valued at \$15.00 per hour per NCDEQ grant guidelines.
- 4. The funds in Section 2 and 3 above shall be available for expenditure until completion of the project.
- 5. The Town Manager is authorized to execute the required Grant Agreement(s) and any other required documents or certifications with NCDEQ for the receipt and use of these awards.
- 6. The Town Manager is authorized to negotiate and enter into agreement(s) with other project parties that have committed a cash donation or in-kind services.
- 7. All watershed restorations activities shall comply with the terms of the agreement.
- 8. The grant agreement expires on September 30, 2025.
- 9. The Finance Officer is authorized to make the necessary and appropriate transfer of funds identified in Section 2 above.
- 10. Upon adoption, the Town Clerk shall file a copy of this ordinance with the Finance Director within five (5) days of adoption.
- 11. This project ordinance is effective immediately.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this __ day of January 2022.