

ORDINANCE 2017-16

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING LAND EXCHANGE BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH AND COUNTY OF SOMERSET FOR THE PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED ON THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH AS BLOCK 142, LOT 23.01 AND BLOCK 177, LOT 55

WHEREAS, the Township is the owner of the property identified on the Tax Map of the Township of Hillsborough as Block 142, Lot 23.01 consisting of 2.368 acres of land, (“Hillsborough Property”); and

WHEREAS, the County operates a firing range on the Hillsborough Property and the Township has no identifiable public use for the Hillsborough Property; and

WHEREAS, the County is the owner of the property identified on the Tax Map of the Township of Hillsborough as Block 177, Lot 55, consisting of 24.646 acres of land (“County Property”); and

WHEREAS, the County Property borders the Township owned Ann Van Middlesworth Park; and

WHEREAS, the Township currently uses a portion of the County Property as a skate park and extension of Ann Van Middlesworth Park and the County has no other identifiable public use for the County Property; and

WHEREAS, the governing bodies of the Township and County have determined that it is in the best interests of the Township, County and public to exchange ownership interests in the Hillsborough Property and County Property; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-16 authorizes the governing body of any County, by resolution, or any Municipality, by ordinance, to exchange any lands or any rights or interest therein owned by the County or Municipality for other lands or rights or interests therein desired for public use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows: (1) the exchange of the Hillsborough Property for the County Property is hereby authorized; (2) the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute a Land Exchange Agreement consistent with this

Ordinance in a form approved by the Township Attorney; (3) the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute all documents required to transfer ownership of the Hillsborough Property to the County in exchange for the County Property; (4) the Township Attorney is authorized to prepare, execute and record all documents required to transfer ownership of the Hillsborough Property to the County in exchange for the County Property; and (5) this Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication according to law.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

Pamela Borek, Township Clerk

Carl Suraci, Mayor

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