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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 302151

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MULTI-HABITAT PLANNING AREA PROPERTY ACQUISITION

WHEREAS, The Environmental Trust, Inc. ("TET"), a California nonprofit benefit corporation, was organized in 1990 for the purpose of acquiring, maintaining and monitoring environmentally threatened and sensitive real property and engaging in environmental land mitigation and credit sales. A developer proposing to build upon environmentally sensitive lands and needing to obtain off-setting credits for the adverse consequences associated with the proposed development could obtain those credits through TET;

WHEREAS, in exchange for the credits needed to proceed with their developments, developers entered into agreements with TET that required TET to record conservation easements and to deposit 100% of the endowment funds accepted from the developers into permanent endowment accounts for the management, maintenance, and monitoring (the "3M's") of the environmentally sensitive properties in perpetuity. Not only did TET underestimate the amount of endowment funds it would need to perform the 3M's in perpetuity, it did not deposit 100% of the endowment funds it received, and poor investments and a declining securities market caused TET's assets to plunge from \$18.2 million in 1999 to just under \$7.9 in 2003. TET was left with over \$13 million in debt and only about \$3.1 million in its endowment account when it went into bankruptcy;

WHEREAS, the City's Parks and Recreation Department, the Planning Department, the Real Estate Asset Department and the City Attorney's Office have been working on this matter

and have identified the following nine (9) properties for the City to acquire out of the TET Bankruptcy:

- 1. Class 3.47.2 Local Governmental Unit Option (Spring Canyon)
- 2. Class 3.33.2 Local Governmental Unit Option (Otay 15)
- 3. Class 3.12.2 Local Governmental Unit Option (Del Mar Mesa)
- 4. Class 3.76.2 Local Governmental Unit Option (East Elliot 13)
- 5. Class 3.29.2 Local Governmental Unit Option (Newport 5)
- 6. Class 3.41.2 Local Governmental Unit Option (San Pasqual)
- 7. Class 3.56.2 Local Governmental Unit Option (West Otay Mesa B)
- 8. Class 3.57.2 Local Governmental Unit Option (West Otay Mesa C)
- 9. Class 3.58.2 Local Governmental unit Option (Wruck Canyon)

WHEREAS, these nine (9) properties consist of approximately 280 acres and all lie within the City's Multi-Habitat Planning Area;

WHEREAS, acceptance of these nine properties from the TET Bankruptcy will bring an approximate endowment fund of \$335,000 to the City that will be the responsibility of the City Parks and Recreations Department's Open Space Division to use in administering the 3M's of the nine (9) properties; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City accept the nine (9) properties from the TET Bankruptcy with the endowment fund of \$335,000 for the continual management of these nine (9) properties;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Auditor and Comptroller will establish a separate interest-bearing account for the \$335,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Parks and Recreations Department's Open Space Division manage the approximate \$335,000 endowment fund to administer the 3M's of these nine (9) properties.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By

Daniel F. Bamberg
Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of ____NOV _2 8 _2006 .

ELIZABETH S. MALAND

City Clerk

Deputy City Clerk

Approved: (date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

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Anthony Young Brian Maienschein Donna Frye		,⊔. □ □ •			
Jim Madaffer Ben Hueso					•
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