

**RESOLUTION 08-13
APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF CASCADES TRAILER PARK
AND STONE MILL PROPERTIES**

WHEREAS, Cascades Park is owned by the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department, and is the City's first and oldest park; and

WHEREAS, Cascades Park is a unique asset to the Bloomington community and serves important recreational, aesthetic and environmental purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Parks Department has identified two parcels of land adjoining Cascades Park that are currently for sale, the acquisition of which would enhance Cascades Park by: adding land for recreational use and greenspace protection; providing protection for Cascades Creek and for the Griffy Lake watershed; and facilitating a connection between Cascades Park and the Griffy Lake Nature Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the proposed acquisition consists of two parcels, the Trailer Park property consisting of approximately 2.25 acres located at the northwest corner of Clubhouse Drive and Old State Road 37 North, and the Stone Mill property consisting of approximately 3.9 acres and located north of and adjacent to the Trailer Park property located on the west side of Old State Road 37; and

WHEREAS, the average of two appraisals for both properties is \$599,250 and the property owners have agreed to sell both parcels for \$510,000; and

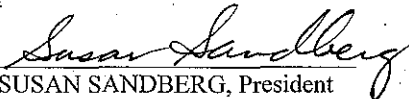
WHEREAS, on August 21, 2008, the Board of Park Commissioners approved acquisition of the property described above;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:


1. The acquisition of the above-described properties adjoining or near Cascades Park serves a public purpose and furthers the public welfare by increasing recreational opportunities and greenspace.

2. The City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department is authorized to proceed with acquisition of the above-described properties, subject to applicable Indiana law and the availability of funds for the purchases.


PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 15th day of October.


SUSAN SANDBERG, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 16th day of OCTOBER, 2008.


MARK KRUZAN, Mayor
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:


REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution approves the purchase of two parcels of land adjacent to Cascades Park.

Signed copies to:
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controller clerk
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