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A RESOLUTION BY DEVELOPMENT/
COMMUNITY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HER DESIGNEE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, TO AMEND THE COMMUNITY GARDEN PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH PARK PRIDE ATLANTA, INC. TO CHANGE THE SIZE LIMITATIONS FOR COMMUNITY GARDENS LOCATED IN CITY-OWNED BEAUTY SPOTS THAT ARE ONE HALF ACRE OR SMALLER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

ADOPTED BY

JAN 19 2010

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WHEREAS, Park Pride Atlanta, Inc. ("Park Pride") currently operates the Adopt-A-Community Garden program ("Program") on behalf of the City of Atlanta ("City") pursuant to the Adopt-A-Community Garden Program Agreement ("Agreement"), authorized by Resolution 07-R-1363. The resolution was adopted by the City Council on July 16, 2007, and approved by the Mayor on July 19, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Program offers a way to build relationships with neighbors, revitalize public spaces, and provides for an enjoyable activity for people of all ages; and

WHEREAS, the Program currently sets a size limitation on community gardens, such that the cumulative area of a garden may not occupy more than two acres of the park in which it is located or more than five percent of the park, whichever is smaller; and

WHEREAS, the City owns hundreds of beauty spots that are deemed to be park land, but are one half acre or smaller ("Beauty Spots"); and

WHEREAS, requiring that a community garden not exceed 5% of a park effectively prohibits the creation of community gardens in Beauty Spots; and

WHEREAS, if community gardens were permitted to occupy up to 90% of a Beauty Spot, it would encourage use of greenspace that has a limited capacity for programming or traditional park amenities, while reducing the City's maintenance costs. The 90% cap would ensure that a portion of the Beauty Spot would remain open to other types of public use; and

WHEREAS, a number of communities have expressed the desire to utilize a neighborhood Beauty Spot as a community garden; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs recommends that the Agreement be amended to remove size limitations on community gardens located in Beauty Spots, provided that the community garden meets the other requirements of the Program. These requirements include, without limitation: 1) that the City bear no costs associated with the community garden; 2) that the community garden be maintained in a safe, usable, neat and attractive condition; and 3) that the community garden organizers obtain community support prior to applying for permission to create the garden. This support shall be demonstrated by evidence of either incorporation of the community garden into the park's approved Master or

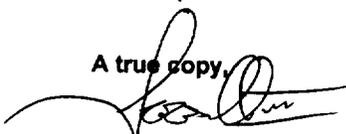


Visioning Plan, and/or approval by the appropriate neighborhood association or neighborhood planning unit; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

Section 1: The Mayor or his designee, on behalf of the City, is hereby authorized to amend the Adopt-A-Community Garden Program Agreement between the City and Park Pride, and to direct Park Pride to amend its Adopt-A-Community Garden Adopter Agreement, including without limitation the Operating Procedures attached thereto, to increase the size limitation for community gardens located in Beauty Spots. Specifically, any language in the Agreement and/or in the Adopt-A-Community Garden Adopter Agreement, requiring that community gardens occupy no more than two acres of the park in which the garden is located or 5% of said park, whichever is smaller, shall be followed by a sentence that is substantively similar to the following: “This size limitation notwithstanding, should a community garden be located in a park that is one-half acre or smaller, the community garden may not exceed 90% of said park.”

Section 2: All other terms of the Agreement shall remain unchanged.

A true copy,

Deputy Clerk

ADOPTED by the Atlanta City Council
APPROVED by Mayor Kasim Reed

JAN 19, 2010
JAN 27, 2010

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