

**TOWNSHIP OF CHELTENHAM
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION NO. 17-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING TOWNSHIP STAFF TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE ON THE TOWNSHIP'S BEHALF ANY CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, OR OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO OBTAIN AND/OR ADMINISTER A GRANT UNDER THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES' COMMUNITY CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM TO IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICULAR ACCESS AND CIRCULATION AT CURTIS ARBORETUM

WHEREAS, the Township of Cheltenham (“Township”) desires to improve pedestrian and vehicular access and circulation at Curtis Arboretum (“Arboretum”); and

WHEREAS, the Township completed a Conservation and Landscape Management Plan for Curtis Arboretum (“Master Plan”) completed in 2016 and funded in part by a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (“DCNR”); and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan determined that both pedestrian and vehicular accessibility and circulation to and around Curtis Arboretum need to be improved in order for the Arboretum to best serve the public; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (“PennDOT”) is in the process of finalizing design on a corridor and intersection improvement project at the intersection of Church Road and Greenwood Avenue, which borders a significant portion of Curtis Arboretum; and

WHEREAS, the general public, including community stakeholders, all had the opportunity to comment and strongly urged the Township and PennDOT to consider the need for improved pedestrian and vehicular circulation and access during the master planning process and during the PennDOT intersection improvement project planning process; and

WHEREAS, Cheltenham Township has applied for grant funding under the MontCo 2040 Implementation Grant Program in the amount of \$100,000 to provide a partial match for this project; and

WHEREAS, this project is intended to coordinate with and complement PennDOT’s project to improve the intersection of Church Road and Greenwood Avenue, to provide for pedestrian connections from PennDOT’s improvements, connecting the community with the Arboretum, and coordinating driveway relocations to improve vehicular ingress and egress to the site.

WHEREAS, the Township desires to receive grant funds from DCNR for the purpose of carrying out this project; and

WHEREAS, the application packages includes a document entitled “Terms and Conditions of Grant” and a document entitled “Grant Agreement Signature Page”; and

WHEREAS, the Township understands that the contents of the document entitled “Terms and Conditions of Grant,” including appendices referred to therein, will become the terms and conditions of a Grant Agreement between the Township and DCNR if the Township is awarded a grant; and

WHEREAS, the Township understands that, by signing the “Grant Agreement Signature Page” and submitting it to DCNR as part of the grant application, the applicant agrees to the terms and conditions of the grant and will be bound by the Grant Agreement if DCNR awards a grant; and

WHEREAS, the Cheltenham Township Board of Commissioners have committed to fund this project through a combination of other grant sources and local funds, in order to make up the necessary fifty (50%) percent match of the total project cost, at a minimum, based on the attached Project Consultant’s Cost Estimate (Exhibit A).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Cheltenham, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that the Township Administration be authorized to submit a grant application to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for FY 2017 funding in the amount of \$150,000 for the project described herein, and furthermore that:

1. The official with the title of Township Manager, Acting Township Manager, or approved designee be authorized to sign the “Grant Agreement Signature Page,” including any amendments made a part thereof and attached hereto on behalf of the Township of Cheltenham, in accordance with the provisions of the Cheltenham Township Home Rule Charter, enacted November 2, 1976.
2. If this official signed the “Grant Agreement Signature Page,” prior to the passage of this Resolution, this grant of authority applies retroactively to the date of signing.
3. If the Township of Cheltenham is awarded a grant, the “Grant Agreement Signature Page,” including any amendments made a part thereof and attached hereto, signed by the above official, will become the grantee’s executed signature page for the Grant Agreement, and the Township/grantee will be bound by the Grant Agreement.
4. Any amendment to the Grant Agreement may be signed on behalf of the grantee by the official who, at the time of the signing of the amendment, has the title specified in paragraph 1 above and the Township/grantee will be bound by the amendment.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Cheltenham, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at its public meeting held at Curtis Hall, 1250 West Church Road, Wyncote, Pennsylvania, 19095, under my hand and the Seal of the Township of Cheltenham, this twenty-second day of April, A.D., 2020, in the year of the Township of Cheltenham the one hundred twenty-first.

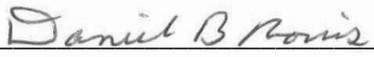
Resolved and adopted this 22th day of **April, A.D., 2020**.

ATTEST:

**TOWNSHIP OF CHELTENHAM
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



Terry Fedorchak
Acting Township Manager & Secretary

By: 

Daniel B. Norris, President