

**MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP
BURLINGTON COUNTY**

RESOLUTION 2012-12-13

**RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING EXECUTION OF SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT AND
DEED OF EASEMENT WITH BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN
FREEHOLDERS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the “No Net Loss Reforestation Act,” N.J.S.A. 13:1L-14.2 et seq., the Township of Mansfield (the “Township”) is entitled to receive \$799,043 in grant funding from the New Jersey Turnpike Authority in compensation for deforestation of 13 acres of land within the Township necessary for the widening of the turnpike; and

WHEREAS, the Township has executed an agreement with the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection which provides for the planting of up to 2,751 trees on publically-owned lands within 5 miles of the turnpike project (the “Reforestation Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Township has expressed a desire to partner with the County for implementation of the Reforestation Project; and

WHEREAS, the County has requested that the Township grant a recreational trail easement across a portion of land owned by the Township known as Block 28, Lot 35 in order to create a trail connection for the County’s proposed Kinkora Trail Project; and

WHEREAS, the County and Township desire to enter into a Shared Services Agreement to define more clearly the responsibilities and obligations of the County and the Township in completing the Reforestation Project and for granting of the easement by the Township to the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of Mansfield that a Shared Services Agreement between the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Township of Mansfield setting forth the terms and conditions of the agreements regarding the Reforestation Project and the granting of the easement by the Township be hereby approved; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign, seal, execute, and deliver the subject Agreements between the County and the Township of Mansfield.

MOTION: HIGGINS

SECOND: CLARK

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: HIGGINS, CLARK, GABLE, DIGIUSEPPE, PUGLIA

NAYS: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE ABSENT: NONE

CERTIFICATION

I, **LINDA SEMUS, RMC**, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Mansfield, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mansfield Township Committee, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey at their Regular Meeting held on December 12, 2012 at 7:30 PM at the Municipal Complex.

LINDA SEMUS, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk

