

**WEST POTTS GROVE TOWNSHIP
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PARTICIPATION IN THE POTTS TOWN AREA
REGIONAL RECREATION COMMITTEE (PARRC) PROGRAM**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS the Township of West Pottsgrove is currently participating in the Pottstown Area Regional Recreation Committee (PARRC) program, will commence a new funding term in September of 2024 that will end in August of 2029; and

WHEREAS the Township of West Pottsgrove seeks to continue participation in the PARRC Program that hires a professional to support the promotion/development of regional parks and recreation facilities, services, activities and events in the greater Pottstown area for a five-year term that begins on September 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS these projects also provide significant health and economic benefits, increase use of parks and recreation facilities through programming, and promote active living for residents and families across the greater Pottstown region; and

WHEREAS the Township of West Pottsgrove understands that the Pottstown Area Health & Wellness Foundation (PAHWF) has offered to assist in the administration of the PARRC program under a contract with the Schuylkill River Greenways, who provides office space and human resource management services to the PARRC program; and

WHEREAS the Township of West Pottsgrove realizes that an equal cost sharing among participating municipalities is needed, in addition to a substantial commitment by the PAHWF totaling 50% of project costs. Each municipality’s commitment is needed to fund their equal share and join together to benefit the entire region’s citizens through coordination of parks and recreation services; and

WHEREAS the Township of West Pottsgrove understands its contributions would be as follows, depending on the number of municipalities that decide to participate:

# of Municipalities	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5
6	\$9,412	\$9,705	\$10,009	\$10,323	\$10,649
7	\$8,067	\$8,319	\$8,579	\$8,848	\$9,128
8	\$8,494	\$8,756	\$9,025	\$9,305	\$9,595

;and

WHEREAS the Township of West Pottsgrove understands that all collected contributions as outlined above may possibly not be spent in the designated fiscal year as actual expenses may fluctuate as a result of the fluid costs of healthcare, benefits, and/or temporary staffing vacancies, in which event unspent funds will be held by PARRC in reserves; and

WHEREAS PARRC may from time to time utilize funds held in reserve for the purpose of payment of unbudgeted expenses which may be the result of unanticipated costs for healthcare benefits, equipment replacement and discretionary, performance-related lump-sum bonuses to

the PARRC Planner, such payments being made in compliance with financial procedures outlined in the PARRC Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement requiring all such expenditures to be authorized with a unanimous vote of consent from all the PARRC municipalities' appointed board representatives; and

WHEREAS the Township of West Pottsgrove understands that in the event that unspent funds held in PARRC reserves collected from the contributions of the funding organizations as outlined above reach an amount equal to 50% of the annual PARRC operating cost for the current year a refund will be issued to each funding organization in an amount equitable to the organization's contribution, such payments being made in compliance with financial procedures outlined in the PARRC Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement requiring all such expenditures to be authorized with a unanimous vote of consent from all PARRC municipalities' appointed board representatives.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. Pursuant to the understandings and conditions as reference in the recitals above and which are incorporated herein and pursuant to the contingencies as set forth in paragraph two hereof, the Township of West Pottsgrove wishes to pledge its support of the continuation of the PARRC program for 5 years beginning September 1, 2024 and ending August 31, 2029.
2. Subject to the binding commitment of a minimum of six regional municipalities, and of the Pottstown Area Health & Wellness Foundation, the Township of West Pottsgrove hereby supports the participation in the Pottstown Area Regional Recreation Coordinator program.

DULY ADOPTED at the regular meeting of _____ West Pottsgrove Township/Montgomery County this ___ day of _____, 2023.

West Pottsgrove Township/Montgomery County

President, Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Secretary