

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2009 – 190

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CLAYTON COUNTY GREENSPACE PROGRAM LAND TRUST TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY OF VIRGINIA STEPHENS LOCATED AT 2576 WALT STEPHENS ROAD CONSISTING OF TWO PARCELS OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF THE CLAYTON COUNTY GREENSPACE PROGRAM LAND TRUST; TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF DESIGNATED 2009 SPLOST FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE; TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO AMEND THE BUDGET WHERE NECESSARY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE RESOLUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, in 2006 Walter Reid Stephens generously donated 24.509 acres on Walt Stephens Road between Seven Oaks Drive and Winston Way to the Clayton County Greenspace Program Land Trust, to be used in accordance with the Clayton County Greenspace Program upon the terms and conditions contained in an Agreement to Encumber Property and to be known as “Walter Reid Stephens Heritage Park and Wildlife Sanctuary”; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Stephens, his surviving widow, desires to sell the adjacent property located at 2576 Walt Stephens Road consisting of two parcels of land, the first being a one acre site with improvements and the second being a vacant lot consisting of 0.679 acres; and

WHEREAS, the property was appraised at \$316,000.00 and Ms. Stephens is willing to sell the property to the county for a reduced price of \$250,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the County Parks and Recreation Department and the

Greenspace Coordinator deem this purchase to be in the best interests of the County , consistent with Park and Receptions Comprehensive Plan and provide connectivity between facilities; and

WHEREAS, the plan to achieve connectivity with existing county property, consisting of multimodal pathways has been evaluated by Parks and Recreation Department, the Greenspace Coordinator, Archway Project members and Transportation and Development Department and estimated to cost not more than \$100,000.00; and

WHEREAS the 2009 SPLOST designates ten million dollars for the purchase of Green space land; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of this property and multimodal connectivity will further the County's plan for its Green space program by providing connectivity to existing green space projects; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners deems it in the best interest of Clayton County to authorize the county and the Green Space Trust Board to purchase the property for the above-stated purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

Section 1. The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County and the Board of Trustees of the Clayton County Greenspace Program Land Trust to purchase two parcels of land on Walt Stephens Road located at 2576 Walt Stephens Road, as more fully shown on Exhibit "A," attached hereto, said property to become a part of the Clayton County Greenspace Program Land Trust with funds designated for green space purchases from the 2009 SPLOST proceeds.

Further, the Board authorizes the Finance Director to amend the budget where necessary to provide for expenditure of funds and revenues not to exceed \$350,000.00. Further, the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes Clayton County to perform all other acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this Resolution.

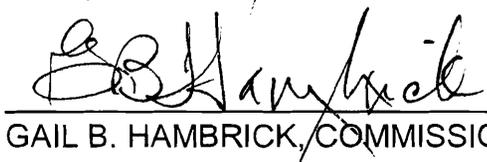
Section 2. This Resolution will be effective on the date of its approval by the Board of Commissioners.

SO RESOLVED, this 1st day of Dec. 2009.

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


ELDRIN BELL, CHAIRMAN

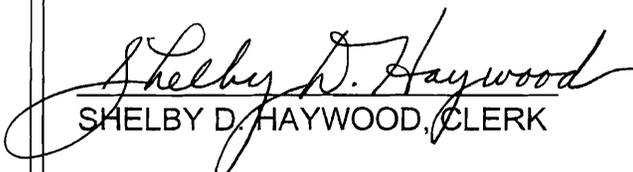

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