

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-07

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A NO COST LEASE OF 80 ACRES OF BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (BLM) DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR LAND IN TORRANCE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Town of Edgewood is committed to the planning, development, management and maintenance of parks, recreation, community services, facilities, Open Space and trails and resources necessary to promote the well-being and quality of life for all residents of the Town of Edgewood; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comprehensive Plan states that, "Parks and open spaces can provide many natural benefits, such as groundwater recharge, air cleansing, scenic beauty, as well as increased property values and health benefits"; and

WHEREAS, the Town is leasing as Open Space and Trails the 695 acre State Land Office, T10N R7E, tract immediately adjacent and North of the BLM 80 acres; and

WHEREAS, the Town is in the process of renewing the lease on 248 acres of BLM in State Section 34, T10N R7E, 1 ½ miles East of the 80 acres as Open Space of which a Plan of Development (POD) with picnic facilities, trails, equestrian, pedestrian and bicycle trails has been implemented; and

WHEREAS, City of Albuquerque has 160 acres of Open Space immediately adjacent and North of the 80 acres; and

WHEREAS, the Town plans to extend its present trail network to ultimately tie into the regional trail system being developed by Santa Fe County, Bernalillo County and the East Mountain Regional Trails Council; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to prevent the deterioration of publicly-owned resources arising from unrestricted use of motor vehicles, camping, fires and prohibit littering, dumping, shooting, vandalism or the creation of any public nuisance by imposing Town Ordinance 2011-04; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Edgewood Governing Body hereby agrees to support a no cost lease of BLM 80 acres located at T9N R9N S5 & S6 in Torrance County and agrees to assume ownership, liability, maintenance and funding responsibility for the scope of this project to including the creation of a Plan of Development.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 15th day of June, 2016.



John Bassett, Mayor

ATTEST:



Juan Torres, Clerk/Treasurer