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TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF
COUNTY OF BERGEN
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #22-182

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INTRODUCED: Rubenstein **SECONDED:** Madigan

MEETING DATE: May 10, 2022 **REFERENCE: Establish a Grounds Maintenance Policy**

VOTE: MADIGAN ✓ **MELCHIONNE** ✓ **RUBENSTEIN** ✓ **SHANLEY** ✓ **BOONSTRA** ✓

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff desires to develop a grounds maintenance program; and,

WHEREAS, this policy encourages, wherever practical, sustainable municipal operations and incorporates best practices of efficient landscape design, water conservation, the use of recycled materials and composting to promote healthy communities and waste reduction; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff shall encourage, consider and use wherever practical the following methods in its' grounds maintenance policy:

1. Utilize compost landscape waste from the Township's leaf compost facility as mulch in landscaping projects.

2. The Township encourages the re-use of materials from the municipal waste stream (such as tire recycling, asphalt and milling recycling and cement) wherever possible and to decrease its' costs.

3. The Township utilizes native species and does not consider exotic plantings in its' projects primarily for cost reasons both in purchase price and for less maintenance costs and for those projects to blend into the local habitat.

4. Except for sports fields, the Township encourages minimizing lawn areas to reduce maintenance costs.

5. The Township encourages and considers landscaping projects to achieve the purposes of stormwater management. Through the use of property contours, water flow can be slowed and filtered through landscaping to improve ground water recharge and prevent erosion.

6. Significantly reduce or eliminate the use of conventional pesticides through an integrated pest management program.

7. Avoid the use of excessive fertilizers.

8. The Township refrains from watering its' lawns. Irrigation is only utilized on sports fields to maintain a healthy growth of grass for safety of the sports participants. The irrigation systems are equipped with rain sensors to achieve efficient watering schedules and water conservation. Drip irrigation systems are used and leaks promptly repaired to minimize costs.

9. The Township will continue its practice of evaluating trees and shrubs from properties where the home structure is to be demolished for the purpose of saving and transplanting the trees and shrubs onto municipal properties.

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff is mindful of the various Stormwater Management Act ordinances it has adopted and the Township complies with those ordinances while simultaneously distributing such regulations to the public through its public information technology; and,

WHEREAS, the Township has further evaluated those mandated ordinances and the Township has developed 15 critical bulletins to disseminate this information to the public. They are attached as if set form by length; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff is mindful of the various Stormwater Management Act ordinances it has adopted and the Township complies with those ordinances while simultaneously distributing such regulations to the public through its public information technology; and,

WHEREAS, the Township has further evaluated those mandated ordinances and the Township has developed bulletins to disseminate this significant information to the public. They are attached as if set forth at length.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the aforementioned grounds maintenance policy is hereby adopted to achieve the benefits of cost avoidance and reduction, water conservation, re-use of compost materials, recycling of materials from the municipal waste stream to promote healthy communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk provide a copy of this policy to the Wyckoff Certified DPW Manager, Wyckoff Construction Code Official, Wyckoff Township Engineer, Wyckoff Recreation Director and the Wyckoff Consulting Engineer and all Department Managers.

CERTIFICATION

I, NANCY A. BROWN, MUNICIPAL CLERK OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF, CERTIFY THE ABOVE TO BE A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ON MAY 10, 2022.

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NANCY A. BROWN
MUNICIPAL CLERK