

RESOLUTION NO. 24-

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION
TO THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH'S MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE
GRANTS PROGRAM FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO KUNKEL PARK**

WHEREAS, the Monmouth County Board of Commissioners has approved an Open Space Trust Fund and established a Municipal Open Space Program to provide Program Grant funds in connection with municipal acquisition of lands for County park, recreation, conservation and farmland preservation purposes, as well as for County recreation and conservation development and maintenance purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Middletown (the "**Township**") desires to obtain County Open Space Trust Funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 to fund improvements at Kunkel Park, located at Brevent and Highland Avenues, Leonardo, New Jersey 07737 (the "**Project Site**"); and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the project including all matching funds is \$1,742,910.00 and

WHEREAS, the Township owns and controls the Project Site.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that:

1. The Township Administrator, Anthony Mercantante, is hereby authorized and directed to: (a) make an application to the County of Monmouth for Open Space Trust Funds, (b) provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required for the Municipal Open Space Grants Program, and (c) act as the municipal contact person and correspondent for the Township.
2. The Township is committed to this project and will provide the balance of funding necessary to complete the project as described in the grant application in the form of non-County matching funds as required in the Policy and Procedures Manual for the Program.
3. If the County of Monmouth determines that the application is complete and in conformance with the Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Program and the Policy and Procedures Manual for the Municipal Grants

Program adopted thereto, the Township is willing to use the approved Open Space Trust Funds in accordance with such policies and procedures, and applicable federal, state, and local government rules, regulations, and statutes thereto.

4. The Township Administrator, Anthony Mercantante, is hereby authorized and directed to sign and execute any required documents, agreements, and amendments thereto with the County of Monmouth for the approved Open Space Trust Funds for the purposes specified under this Resolution.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.