

RESOLUTION 2003-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA APPROVING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA AND THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOR THE "GREENING OF THE RANCHES PROGRAM;" REALLOCATING TREES OWNED BY THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches is the newest municipality to be created in Broward County, and the previous unincorporated area, which is now the Town, has received minimal trees for roadway landscaping; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches and the previous unincorporated area which is now the Town, has received no trees for public facility landscaping; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches does not have the funds to pay for the reallocation of trees for the landscaping of public roadways and public facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches desires to establish the "Greening of the Ranches Program" with tree reallocation assistance from the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches desires to be the first municipality to enter into a tree reallocation agreement with the SFWMD; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches believes it to be in the best interest of the safety and general welfare of the residents of the Town to enter into a tree reallocation agreement with the SFWMD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

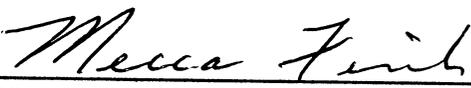
SECTION 1: The above referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2: The Town Council hereby authorizes the development of an agreement between the Town of Southwest Ranches and the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) for the reallocation of up to 20,000 trees.

SECTION 3: Said agreement will be presented to the Town Council for review and consideration at the March 13, 2003 Town Council meeting.

SECTION 4: That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 13th day of February 2003.



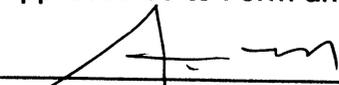
Mecca Fink, Mayor

Attest:



Arielle Haze Tyner, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:



Gary A. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney