

RESOLUTION NO. ____-2022

**RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE
PURCHASE OF 582+/- ACRES CURRENTLY OWNED BY MENDOCINO COAST
RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT AND APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT NO.
2022/23-09, AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,420,579**

WHEREAS, the annual weather trends over the past ten years have shown a reduction in annual rainfall throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 water flow in the Noyo River declined to and below water levels in the summer of 1977, which is the worst drought on record for the City of Fort Bragg; and

WHEREAS, historically, in the months of August, September and October, the Noyo River experiences high tides,

WHEREAS, high tides during periods of low flow levels on the Noyo River increase salinity content and shorten pump run times, impairing the City's ability to replenish water supply from the Noyo River; and

WHEREAS, the City's spring fed raw water sources have declined by more than half over the past 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the City has completed an extensive search for available water sources and water storage; and

WHEREAS, the City has procured a Desalination-Reverse Osmosis Treatment System that will allow us to pump water from the Noyo River during high tides when salinity reaches levels which cannot be processed by the City's Water Treatment Plant; and

WHEREAS, the City pursued water storage options to provide security through the drought season; and

WHEREAS, Mendocino Coast Recreation and Park District (MCRPD) has land available for purchase; and

WHEREAS, the City has negotiated the purchase of the property for the purpose of additional water storage to allow the City to supply customers with safe drinking water and necessary fire flows to protect the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg does hereby authorize the City Manager to execute documents related to the purchase of the MCRPD property and approve Budget Amendment No. 2022/23-09, attached hereto as Exhibit A, in an amount not to exceed \$2,420,579.

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember _____, seconded by Councilmember _____, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 28th day of November, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:

**NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSED:**

BERNIE NORVELL
Mayor

ATTEST:

June Lemos, MMC
City Clerk