

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND  
RESOLUTION 2015-6**

**Approving the City of Takoma Park's Purchase of 2.68 ± Acres of Land,  
Known as Parcel 3, of the Washington-McLaughlin School Property  
at the Internal Revenue Service Public Auction Sale.**

**WHEREAS,** the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") seized property owned by the Washington-McLaughlin Christian School, Inc. for nonpayment of internal revenue taxes and scheduled a public auction sale of the property on January 22, 2015; and

**WHEREAS,** the property seized by IRS consists of 2.68 ± acres of land, known as Parcel 3, located in the back of the former school building, Woodland Avenue, Takoma Park, Montgomery County, Maryland; and

**WHEREAS,** Parcel 3 is an undeveloped wooded area, with steep slopes, and containing numerous mature trees, birds, and other wildlife, and a natural spring, adjoining a residential neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS,** numerous members of the Takoma Park community expressed support for the City's acquisition of Parcel 3 and for the preservation and maintenance of Parcel 3 in a natural forested state; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council, on January 12, 2015, passed Resolution 2015-3 endorsing the preservation of the urban forest, spring, and natural topographic features of Parcel 3 in its natural state and authorizing the City to submit a bid for the purchase of Parcel 3 at the IRS public auction sale; and

**WHEREAS,** the City was the successful bidder at the IRS public auction sale of Parcel 3 and acquired the property for a purchase price of \$253,000.00; and

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with the IRS Notice of Public Auction Sale, the sale of Parcel 3 to the City is subject to any prior valid outstanding mortgages, encumbrances, or other liens in favor of third parties against the taxpayer, Washington McLaughlin Christian School, Inc., that are superior to the lien of the United States; such encumbrances being listed on the IRS Notice of Encumbrances Against or Interests in Property Offered for Sale.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND,** that the City of Takoma Park's purchase of 2.68 ± acres of land, known as Parcel 3, at the IRS Public Auction Sale for the high bid price of \$253,000.00 is hereby approved and ratified.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Manager, or his or her designee, is authorized to take all actions and sign all documents deemed necessary to accomplish the purchase of Parcel 3 and then to obtain and record a Deed conveying title to Parcel 3 to the City of Takoma Park in the Land Records of Montgomery County, Maryland.

**THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THIS 9TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.**

ATTEST:

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Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
City Clerk