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Town of Marana
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MARANA ORDINANCE NO. 2015.007

RELATING TO PARKS AND RECREATION; DESIGNATING THE MARANA PARCELS GENERALLY LOCATED IN THE FLOODWAY ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE SANTA CRUZ RIVER NORTH OF COACHLINE BOULEVARD KNOWN AS THE EL RIO OPEN SPACE AREA AS A TOWN PRESERVE; PROVIDING THAT THE PRESERVE SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION REGULATIONS SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 13-1 OF THE MARANA TOWN CODE

WHEREAS on April 1, 2003, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. 2003-29 authorizing the Town to purchase excess property from the Arizona Department of Transportation generally located in the floodway on the west side of the Santa Cruz River north of Coachline Boulevard; and

WHEREAS the Marana 2010 General Plan identifies the property as dedicated open space being used as a disc golf course and serving as wildlife connectivity habitat between the Tucson Mountains and the Santa Cruz River; and

WHEREAS on January 18, 2011, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. 2011-08 approving and authorizing the Town Manager to implement a management plan for the area (the "Management Plan"), with the following primary management goals: 1) maintain the site as a disc golf course; 2) preserve the site as wildlife habitat and linkage; 3) eliminate off-road vehicle use; 4) avoid disturbance to cultural resources in the area; 5) monitor and remove invasive non-native species; and 6) manage fire threats; and

WHEREAS hunting and other uses and activities are inconsistent with the stated goals of the Management Plan; and

WHEREAS per Arizona Administrative Code section R12-4-321, all Town parks and preserves are closed to hunting, unless open by Arizona Game and Fish Commission Order; and

WHEREAS Chapter 13-1 of the Marana Town Code sets forth regulations for use of Town parks; and

WHEREAS the Town Council finds that designating the area known as the El Rio Open Space Area as a preserve subject to Town parks regulations is in the best interests of the Town of Marana.

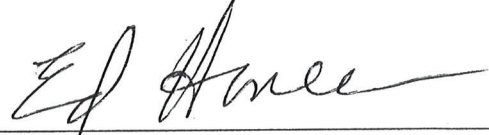
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MARANA, as follows:

SECTION 1. The property generally located in the floodway on the west side of the Santa Cruz River north of Coachline Boulevard known as the El Rio Open Space Area, generally depicted in Exhibit A, attached to and incorporated by this reference in this resolution, and more specifically described in the Management Plan approved by Resolution No. 2011-08, is hereby

designated as a Town of Marana preserve and shall be subject to all Parks and Recreation Regulations set forth in Chapter 13-1 of the Marana Town Code.

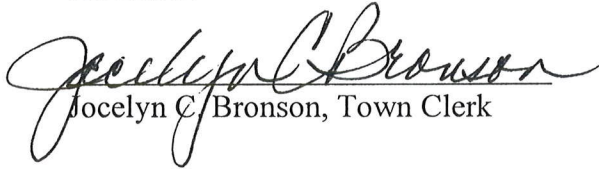
SECTION 2. The Town's Manager and staff are hereby directed and authorized to undertake all other and further tasks required or beneficial to carry out the terms, obligations, and objectives of this ordinance.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MARANA, ARIZONA, this 24th day of March, 2015.



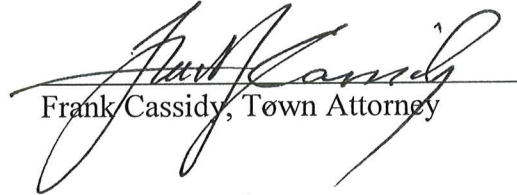
Mayor Ed Honea

ATTEST:



Jocelyn C. Bronson, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Frank Cassidy, Town Attorney



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