

**CITY COUNCIL****The City of Orange Township, New Jersey**DATE June 1, 2021NUMBER 300-2021(WO)

**TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR DWAYNE D. WARREN, ESQ. OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A GRANT APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GREEN ACRES PROGRAM, AND FURTHER, AUTHORIZING MAYOR DWAYNE D. WARREN, ESQ. OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT, UPON RECEIPT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GREEN ACRES PROGRAM, ACCEPTING A GRANT AWARD.**

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program ("State"), provides loans and/or grants to municipal and county governments and grants to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the acquisition, development, and stewardship of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the **CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP** desires to further the public interest by obtaining funding in the amount of \$1,373,287.50 in the form of a \$1,373,050.00 matching grant and, if available, a \$0 loan, from the State to fund the following project(s): to make improvements to Military Park at a cost of \$1,831,050.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the State shall determine if the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the Green Acres Program, and notify the **CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP** of the amount of the funding award; and

**WHEREAS**, the **CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP** is willing to use the State's funds in accordance with such rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the State for the above-named project.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the **MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP** resolves that **MAYOR DWAYNE D. WARREN, ESQ** or his designee is hereby authorized to:

- (a) make application for such a grant, and
- (b) provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required, and
- (c) act as the authorized correspondent of the **CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP:**

1. That the **MAYOR DWAYNE D. WARREN, ESQ** or his designee is hereby authorized to execute an agreement and any amendment thereto with the State known as the Military Park Improvement Project; and
2. That the **CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP** has its matching share of the project, if a match is required, in the amount of \$457,762.50; and

3. That, in the event the State's funds are less than the total project cost specified above, the **CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP** has the balance of funding necessary to complete the project; and
4. That the **CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP** agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and
5. Any award under this program, including an award requiring a matching share by the **CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP** will be accepted pursuant to a separate resolution; and
6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Adopted: June 1, 2021**

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**Joyce L. Lanier**  
**City Clerk**

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**Kerry Coley**  
**Council President**

PROJECT: MILITARY PARK

DATE: May 27, 2021

MUNICIPALITY: City of Orange Township

PREPARED BY: FRANK ROTONDA

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	APPROX.		UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
		QTY	UNIT		
1	GENERAL CONDITIONS DURING CONSRUCTION	1	LS	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
2	CONSTRUCTION SIGNS	2,000	SF	\$10.00	\$20,000.00
3	DETECTABLE WARNING SURFACE	50	SY	\$150.00	\$7,500.00
4	PAVEMENT REPAIR	1	LS	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
5	EXCAVATION, TEST PIT IF AND WHERE DIRECTED	50	CY	\$100.00	\$5,000.00
6	EXCAVATION, UNCLASSIFIED IF AND WHERE DIRECTED	200	CY	\$50.00	\$10,000.00
7	SOIL DISPOSAL, IF AND WHERE DIRECTED	100	CY	\$150.00	\$15,000.00
8	CONCRETE SIDEWALK, REINFORCED, 6" THICK	1,500	SY	\$75.00	\$112,500.00
9	STAMPED DECORATIVE CONCRETE SIDEWALK, REINFORCED, 6" THICK	700	SY	\$100.00	\$70,000.00
10	9" X 18" CONCRETE VERTICAL CURB	3,000	LF	\$30.00	\$90,000.00
11	LANDSCAPING IMPROVEMENTS AND AMENITIES	1	LS	\$900,000.00	\$900,000.00
12	TRAFFIC CONTROL	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
13	FOUNTAIN	1	LS	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
14	MONUMENTS	1	LS	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
15	TOPSOILING, 4" THICK	10,000	SY	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
16	FERTILIZING AND SEEDING, TYPE A-3	10,000	SY	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
17	TRAFFIC DIRECTOR, FLAGGER	150	HOUR	\$90.00	\$13,500.00

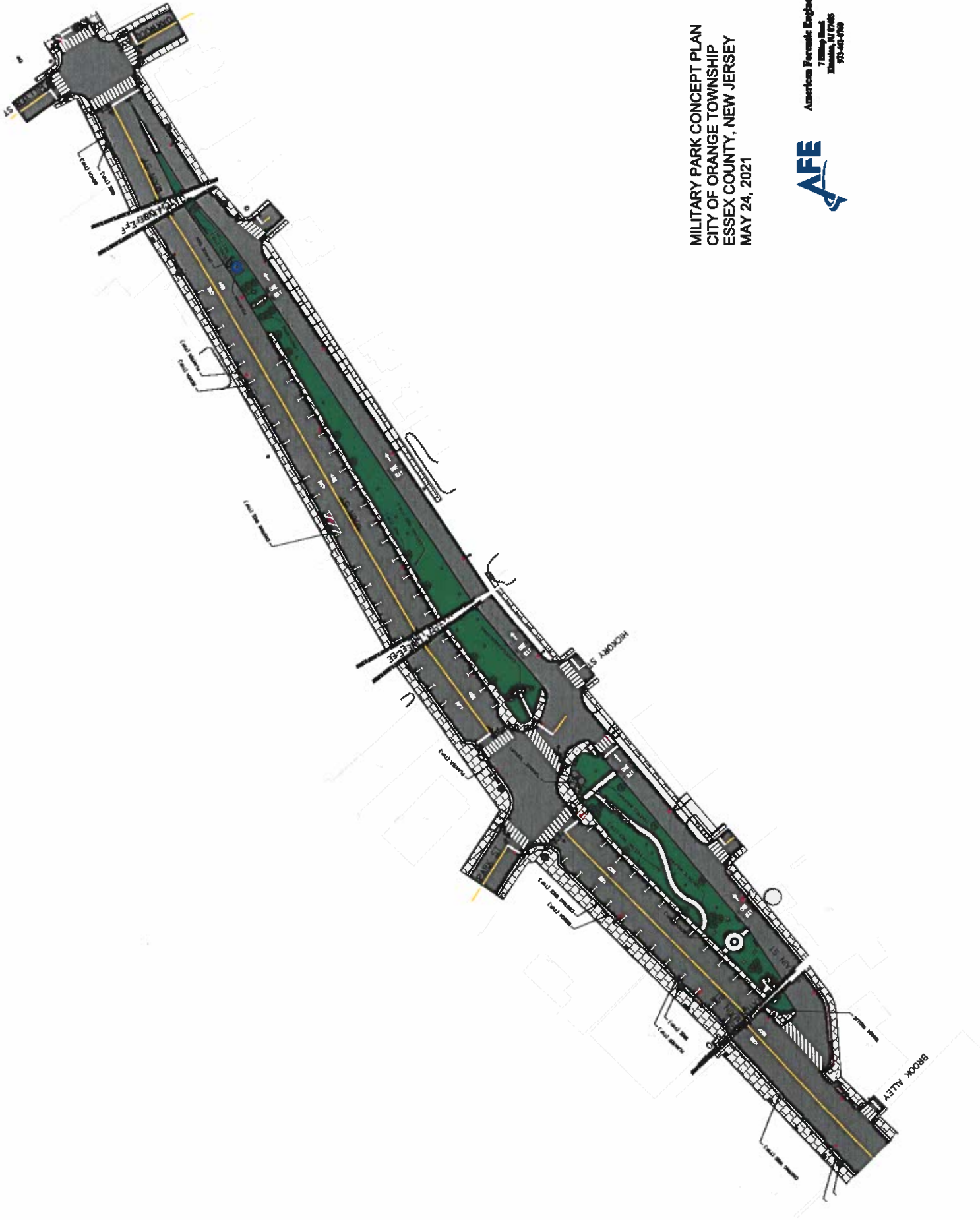
TOTAL BASE BID ITEMS

\$1,408,500.00

CONSTRUCTION	\$1,408,500.00
10% CONTINGENCY COST	\$ 140,850.00
DESIGN & INSPECTION	\$ 281,700.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,831,050.00</b>



Professional Engineer  
NJPE License# 38306



MILITARY PARK CONCEPT PLAN  
CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP  
ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
MAY 24, 2021



American Forensic Engineering  
7 Millers Road  
Denville, NJ 07834  
973-461-9700

**NJ Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) – Green Acres Local Government Land Acquisition and Park Development Grants Program**

**Deadline:** The following is a breakdown of important dates related to this program

- June 30, 2021                      Application Deadline

**Amount:** The following is a breakdown of information related to program funding

- Matching Requirement:
  - Standard Acquisition: 25% matching grant
  - Planning Incentive Acquisition: 50% matching grant
  - Site Specific Acquisition: 50% matching grant
  - Urban Aid Program (Acquisition or Development): 75% matching grant and a 25% 0% interest Green Acres loan
  - Outdoor Recreation Development (Non-Urban Aid): 25% matching grant, with the balance as a loan

**Eligible Applicants:** The following entities are eligible to apply for funding through this program

- Municipalities
- Counties

**Overview:** Through the Green Acres Local Government Land Acquisition and Park Development Grants Program, the NJ DEP provides funding for the acquisition of open space for recreation and conservation purposes as well as for the development of outdoor recreational facilities.

- Land Acquisition: Eligible land acquisition projects include, but are not limited to, the purchase of forests, natural areas, historic sites, conservation areas, water bodies, and open space for active or passive recreation purposes. Any existing structures on the acquisition site must either be used in direct support of outdoor recreation, or demolished to create open space, as
  - Standard Acquisition: This category is for acquisition projects undertaken by municipalities and counties that do not yet have an open space tax. Projects in this category are eligible to receive assistance in the form of a Green Acres 25% matching grant and, if available, a Green Acres loan. Green Acres loans are available at 2% interest, payable over thirty years.
  - Planning Incentive Acquisition: This category is open to municipalities and counties that have an open space tax (or an approved alternative) and an adopted Open Space and Recreation Plan approved by Green Acres. Funding is available in the form of a Green Acres 50% matching grant.
  - Site Specific Acquisition: This category is for acquisition projects undertaken by municipalities and counties that have an open space tax (or an approved alternative) but do not yet have an Open Space and Recreation Plan approved by Green Acres. Projects in this category are eligible for a 50% matching grant and, if available, a Green Acres loan (2% interest rate, payable over thirty years).

Applicants under this category must submit an application for each parcel they would like to purchase.

- **Urban Aid Acquisition:** This category is limited to acquisition projects located in municipalities eligible to receive state Urban Aid. For park development projects in Urban Aid municipalities, funding is now available in the form of a 75% matching grant with the remaining 25% of total project costs payable through a zero percent interest loan payable over 30 years. Urban park development projects were previously funded with 50% matching grants, but the Preserve New Jersey Act has recently increased the ratio.
- **Outdoor Recreation Development –** This category provides funding for the development of outdoor recreation facilities; funding is available as a grant or loan depending on whether the municipality is Urban Aid or non-Urban Aid. Funding may be used for the development of outdoor recreation and conservation facilities. Recreational facilities that may be funded include, but are not limited to, facilities that provide boating, fishing, swimming, outdoor games and sports, biking, picnicking, camping, or nature interpretation. Please note multi-park applications are limited to two park locations. Eligible expenses include the cost of constructing the recreational facilities and other related costs if included in the initial request. Professional services (e.g., design, engineering, and supervision) up to 13% of the cost of construction and preliminary assessment costs associated with the project site are eligible.
  - **Urban Aid Development:** For park development projects in Urban Aid municipalities, funding is now available in the form of a 75% matching grant with the remaining 25% of total project costs payable through a zero percent interest loan payable over 20 years. Urban park development projects were previously funded with 50% matching grants, but the Preserve New Jersey Act has recently increased the ratio.
  - **Non-Urban Aid Development:** Green Acres provides funding for the development of outdoor recreation facilities in the form of a loan only (2% interest, payable over twenty years), unless the applicant is eligible for a partial grant. Park development projects located in Densely or Highly Populated Municipalities or sponsored by Highly Populated Counties are available in the form of a 25% matching grant, with the balance as a loan, subject to available funding. Projects sponsored by Densely Populated Counties are eligible for funding in the form of a 50% matching grant, with the balance as a loan, subject to available funding.

Proposals must adhere to the following:

- Consistency with established needs and planning objectives in local and state planning documents including the municipal/county master plan and New Jersey's 2018-2022 Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan;
- An ability and commitment to maintain the proposed project;
- Commitment to include public input in the project planning process;
- Projects that involve a historic property shall meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties;

- Projects involving a historic or cultural landscape shall meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties and follow the Secretary of the Interior's Guidelines for the Treatment of Cultural Landscapes;
- For projects located in the Highlands, the Meadowlands, or the Pinelands, the applicant must meet with the Highlands Council, Meadowlands Commission, or Pinelands Commission staff to discuss the proposed project prior to applying to Green Acres. Proposals should include a letter stating that such pre-application conference was held, accompanied by a copy of the Commission's/Council's comments on the proposed project.

**Website:** <https://www.state.nj.us/dep/greenacres/pdflaunch.html#applications>