

**TOWNSHIP OF UPPER DUBLIN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 21-2445

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE UPPER DUBLIN
TREE PLANTING AND CARE FUND**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, recognizes the value of trees to this community wishes to respond to the unique tornadic events of September 1, 2021 during which hundreds of trees on public property and within public rights of way ("Public Lands") were destroyed; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received requests from businesses and residents of the Township and from surrounding communities that the Township facilitate the donation of trees and funds to enable the replanting of trees on the Public Lands.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of Upper Dublin Township hereby resolves:

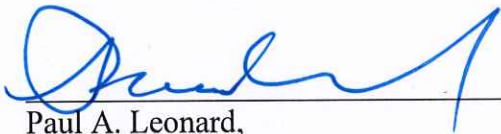
1. That there is hereby established within the Township's accounts a financial fund to be designated and known as the Tree Planting and Care Fund ("Tree Fund").
2. The purposes of the Tree Fund shall be: (1) to receive all appropriate gifts, donations, grants and public monies designated to the Tree Fund, and (2) to ensure that donated funds are used to add, replace, and otherwise care for the public trees of Upper Dublin Township.
3. Receipts allocated to the Tree Fund will be recorded on the Township's books and records together with the source of such receipts and the recipient and purpose of any disbursements.
4. Disbursements from the fund may be made to township operating departments, the Upper Dublin Shade Tree Commission or appropriate neighborhood groups to secure, plant and care for trees on Public Lands on terms consistent with public acquisition laws.
5. Donations to the Tree Fund may be restricted for use in a particular neighborhood or on a particular parcel of Public Land. Such designated funds must be utilized to fulfill the purpose of the donation within a three-year period.

6. Non-designated funds will have no limitation on the time within which they must be utilized, but must remain in the Tree Fund until disbursed in furtherance of the Tree Funds' purposes.
7. The Township Manager and Finance Director are directed to report on a routine basis to the Board of Commissioners on any and all activities within the fund. The Tree Fund will be in due course subject to all audit procedures required under the First Class Township Code.
8. The Tree Fund shall be exempt from the Board of Commissioner's current policy that any gift to the Township having a value in excess of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) be acknowledged and approved by the Board.

RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Upper Dublin Township this 14th day of December, 2021.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER DUBLIN



Paul A. Leonard,
Secretary/Township Manager


Ira S. Tackel, President