

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 4, 2014

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz and the Conservation Commission

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, The *Open Space, Recreation and Multi-Use Plan: 2011-2018* recommends protecting open space adjacent to the historic Mill River;

WHEREAS, The city is reducing properties in tax title, including those parcels for which it is highly unlikely any taxes will ever be paid;

WHEREAS, David Golash and the Golash family has agreed to donate two parcels with negligible value totaling 1.5± acres on the historic Mill River (39A-044 and 39A-071) to the City with a deed in lieu of foreclosure;

WHEREAS, The US Fish and Wildlife Service is interested in acquiring 39A-071 to add to the existing Conte Fish and Wildlife Refuge;

WHEREAS, The city is interested in acquiring 39A-044 adjacent to the historic Mill River and the city's Hockanum Road flood control structure.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That the City Council authorizes the Mayor to accept a deed in lieu of foreclosure for the above parcels for general government purposes;

Further, that the Mayor is authorized to deed the parcel adjacent to the Conte Fish and Wildlife Service (39A-071) to the USA for no consideration.