

THE CITY OF WARWICK  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. .... Date .....

Approved. .... Mayor

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE GREEN ECONOMY BOND

WHEREAS: state partnership programs to help municipalities protect their special places and farmland, develop parks, establish bike paths, and remediate/redevelop contaminated brownfields sites have long been effective in helping Warwick make important economic and quality of life investments in our community’s future; and

WHEREAS: the Comprehensive Community Plan for the City of Warwick documents the City’s objectives for open space protection, parks and outdoor recreation facilities, transportation infrastructure, stormwater management and flood prevention; and

WHEREAS: investments in land conservation, parks and bike paths are fundamental to Warwick’s quality of life, strengthen our communities, and enhance the health of our community’s residents; and

WHEREAS: completing the state’s network of bike paths will: enhance connections between communities, workplaces and parks; promote health and fitness; and increase the State’s appeal as a tourist and outdoor recreation destination expanding this sector of our economy; and

WHEREAS: funding for remediation and redevelopment of brownfield sites in our community will create jobs, protect public health, and help us to revitalize our village centers by transforming liabilities and underused or abandoned properties in productive places generating increased local tax revenue; and

WHEREAS: municipal projects financed in part with past state Open Space and Recreation Bond funds have enabled the City to implement our adopted Comprehensive Community Plan, preserve our community character and enhance our quality of life by protecting the special places and improving parks and outdoor recreation facilities in our community; and

WHEREAS: the Governor’s fiscal year 2017 budget proposes a \$35 million Green Economy Bond for open space protection, parks and bikeway development, stormwater management and brownfield restoration programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Warwick respectfully requests that the Rhode Island General Assembly include an authorization in the State Fiscal 2017 Budget for the \$35 million Green Economy Bond referendum proposed by Governor Raimondo for voter consideration at the November 2016 General Election.

This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

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