RESOLUTION

of the
ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

regarding
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GREEN PLACE ADVISORY BOARD, PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION AND PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP; PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENTS, QUALIFICATIONS, REMOVAL, VACANCIES, ATTENDANCE; PROVIDING FOR TERMS OF OFFICE; PROVIDING FOR QUORUM; PROVIDING FOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES; PROVIDING FOR STAFF SUPPORT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the preservation and management of Orange County’s natural resources is important for the future of Orange County citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the preservation and management of Orange County’s natural resources provides both ecological and societal benefits; and

WHEREAS, in September of 2003, the Orange County Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) established the Green PLACE program; and

WHEREAS, on November 11, 2003, the Board established by resolution the Green PLACE Ad Hoc Advisory Committee which has subsequently sunssetted; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to establish a Green PLACE Advisory Board for the purpose of evaluating lands for preservation, recommending policies on the appropriate uses allowed on those properties; and naming existing and future Green PLACE properties; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-206 of the Orange County Code, members of advisory boards must reside in Orange County, unless residency is waived by a vote of five members of the Board; and

WHEREAS, based on the composition and membership of the Green PLACE Advisory Board, it is anticipated that certain members may reside outside of Orange County; and

WHEREAS, Section 125.01(1)(t), Florida Statutes, provides in pertinent part that the governing body of a county may adopt resolutions necessary for the exercise of its powers.
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Creation and Purpose. The Green PLACE Advisory Board, hereafter referred to as the “Advisory Board,” is hereby created for the purpose of evaluating parcels for acquisition through the Green PLACE program, establishing acquisition priorities, delineating and recommending policies relating to the uses of Green PLACE properties, and for naming Green PLACE parcels using the procedure as outlined in Administrative Regulation 2.16.

Section 2. Membership. The Advisory Board shall be composed of eleven members, all of whom shall be appointed by the Board consistent with the provisions of Chapter 2, Article VI, Orange County Code. The composition and membership shall be as follows:

(a) One representative who is employed by each of the following state agencies, and recommended by the Executive Director of the appropriate water management district or the Director of Central District of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection:

   i. South Florida Water Management District.
   
   ii. St. Johns River Water Management District.
   
   iii. Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

(b) One representative who is a faculty member of the Department of Biology of the University of Central Florida, and recommended by the Dean of the College of Sciences.

(c) One representative who is employed by and recommended by each of the following land conservation non-governmental organizations:
iv. The Nature Conservancy.

v. The Trust for Public Land.

(d) Four Orange County citizens not affiliated with the above-listed entities.

(e) The Manager of the Orange County Environmental Protection Division.

Section 3. Appointments; Qualifications; Removal; Vacancies; Attendance; etc.

The Advisory Board shall comply with and be governed by Chapter 2, Article VI of the Orange County Code, as may be amended or revised from time to time (or by any successor provisions of the code).

Section 4. Terms of Office. Members shall serve for a term of four years. Each term shall expire at 11:59 p.m. December 31st of the fourth year of the term, save and except the initial terms. To provide for staggered terms of successor membership, the terms of office for the initial members, as designated by the Board at the time of their initial appointments shall be as follows:

(a) The initial term of office for the South Florida Water Management District representative, the University of Central Florida representative, and one citizen representative shall expire at 11:59 p.m. December 31, 2009; and

(b) The initial term of office for the St. Johns River Water Management District representative, the Nature Conservancy representative, and two citizen representatives shall expire at 11:59 p.m. December 31, 2010; and

(c) The initial term of office for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection representative, the Trust for Public Lands representative, and one citizen representative shall expire at 11:59 p.m. December 31, 2011; and
(d) The Manager of the Orange County Environmental Protection Division shall be a member of the Advisory Board until such time as the Advisory Board sunsets or is abolished.

A vacancy occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. Each member shall hold office until a successor has been appointed and has qualified.

Section 5. Quorum. A majority of all members of the Advisory Board shall constitute a quorum necessary to hold a meeting and take any action.

Section 6. Responsibilities and Duties. The Advisory Board shall have the following responsibilities and duties:

(a) Review and provide recommendations to the Board on the various proposed evaluations and the appropriate and inappropriate uses for Green PLACE properties.

(b) Submit an annual report to the Board on its activities, goals, and objectives.

(c) Provide recommendations to the Board for names for existing and future Green PLACE parcels pursuant to the procedure outlined in Administrative Regulation 2.16.

Section 7. Staff Support. Orange County shall provide staff support to the Advisory Board in the form of technical and clerical support, posting and recording of meetings, postage for mailings, and such other support as may be reasonably required for the proper performance of the Advisory Board’s duties.

Section 8. Effective Date; Sunset. This resolution shall become effective upon the date of adoption by the Board of County Commissioners and shall expire and be of no further
force and effect on sixth anniversary of the effective date unless the Board adopts or readopts an enabling resolution for the Advisory Board prior to that date.

Adopted this ___ Day of ___ ___ 2007.

Orange County, Florida
By: Board of County Commissioners

By: County Mayor

Date: 6.6.07

Attest: Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller
As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

By: Deputy Clerk

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