

Introduced by the Human Services and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION CLARIFYING DESIGN STANDARDS FOR TRAILS AND PARKS
MILLAGE PROJECTS**

RESOLUTION # 18 – 054

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Trails and Parks Program Application states that the Trails and Parks Millage projects must meet acceptable design standards and is the best design solution as adopted by Board of Commissioners Resolution 17-275; and

WHEREAS, the County will review any deviations from such standards on a case by case basis; and

WHEREAS, applicants must obtain necessary permits for the projects, be it public/road rights-of-way, local ordinance (township or municipality), environmental (Michigan Department of Environmental Quality-MDEQ), Drain office, etc.; and

WHEREAS, at least one case has surfaced where the announced design standards of the Trails and Parks Millage may conflict with the standards and rules of a permitting agency; and

WHEREAS, on reflection, the Parks Commission does not believe that wise administration of the millage money should require the applicant to be caught between the standards of a permitting agency and the general standards demanded by the County for its millage projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham Board of Commissioners adopt the following policy: in cases where a permitting authority disagrees with use of a particular county standard, the terms of the draft permit proposed by the permitting authority will control; but the applicant is required to promptly notify the County Park Commission of the permitting authority's position.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Parks Department staff are to raise any concerns with the permit in consultations with the applicant and the permitting authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this policy is retroactive for any signed agreements that have not yet been completed and any future agreements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to sign any necessary contract documents on behalf of the County after approval as to form by the County Attorney.

HUMAN SERVICES: Yeas: Banas, Tennis, Sebolt, Nolan, Koenig
Nays: None **Absent:** Naeyaert **Approved 02/05/2018**

FINANCE: Yeas: Grebner, Anthony, Crenshaw, Tennis
Nays: None **Absent:** Koenig, Schafer **Approved 02/07/2018**