RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF LAND FOR ACCESS TO CAMP VITS

WHEREAS, the City of Manitowoc owns Camp Vits, a 76.62 acre park featuring mountain bike trails located by the Manitowoc River with a trailhead on Parkview Road in the Town of Manitowoc Rapids; and,

WHEREAS, the City has long desired to improve access to this park for vehicular traffic, as the Town has banned parking on nearby roads; and,

WHEREAS, the Mazanec family has inherited a property from the Vetter family immediately adjacent to land owned by Woodland Dunes Nature Center and wishes to ensure future access to Camp Vits by selling a four-acre parcel to the City so that the City and Woodland Dunes can partner to improve trail access; and

WHEREAS, this land acquisition would further the City's Comprehensive Plan, Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan, and recreational opportunities in the City of Manitowoc.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor Justin M. Nickels and the Common Council of the City of Manitowoc that the Mayor and City employees are authorized to complete the sale of this parcel from the Mazanec family and further authorized to negotiate trail access with Woodland Dunes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this property shall be deed-restricted as parkland and shall be known as the "Vetter Trailhead" to honor the legacy of the Vetter family, who farmed this area from 1934-2018.

INTRODUCED	ADOPTED
	APPROVED
Justin M. Nickels, Mayor	
Fiscal Impact:	\$11,000 (\$10,000 purchase price, additional costs for title insurance, closing costs, and recording fees)
Funding Source:	Parkland Dedication Fund (current balance \$84,000)
Finance Director Approval:	/sc
Approved as to form:	/kmm

This resolution was drafted by Kathleen M. McDaniel, City Attorney