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**Executive Session (if needed)** 

**Adjournment** 

### Kane County

Government Center 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A Geneva, IL 60134

### KC Agriculture Committee Agenda

KENYON, Roth, Allan, Juby, Lenert, Sanchez, Williams, ex-officios Pierog (County Chair) and Tepe (County Vice Chair)

Thursday, May 23, 2024		May 23, 2024	10:30 AM	<b>County Board Room</b>	
1.	Call	To Order			
2.	Roll Call				
3.	Remote Attendance Requests				
4.	Approval of Minutes: April 18, 2024				
5.	Pub	Public Comment (Agenda Items)			
6.	Pub	Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)			
7.	Partners				
	A.	Kane County Farm I	Bureau Updates (Steve Arno	ıld, Manager)	
8. Presentations/Announcements					
	A.	Livestock Market As	sessment Key Takeaways (I	Matt Tansley, Planner)	
	В.	Water Resources U	pdates (Jodie Wollnik, Direct	tor)	
	C.	Farmland Protection Preservation Admini	n Program Applications (Sara istrator)	hy Castro, Farmland	
	D.	Amendment to Eller	Kamps Contract Resolution	(Mark VanKerkhoff, Director)	
9.	New	Business			
	A.	<b>Resolution:</b> Approv Protection Program	ring Two Applicants for Prote	ection Through the Farmland	
	В.		ling a Contract with Ellen Kar ect Consulting Services	mps to Provide Additional Food	
	C.		ling the Growing for Kane Fu er Navigator Grant Program	and FY 2024 Budget to Account	
10.	Rep	orts Placed On File			

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#### PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION NO. TMP-24-2384

KANE COUNTY FARM BUREAU UPDATES (STEVE ARNOLD, MANAGER)

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#### PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION NO. TMP-24-2385

## LIVESTOCK MARKET ASSESSMENT KEY TAKEAWAYS (MATT TANSLEY, PLANNER)

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# PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION NO. TMP-24-2386 WATER RESOURCES UPDATES (JODIE WOLLNIK, DIRECTOR)

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#### PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION NO. TMP-24-2387

FARMLAND PROTECTION PROGRAM APPLICATIONS (SARAHY CASTRO, FARMLAND PRESERVATION ADMINISTRATOR)

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#### PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION NO. TMP-24-2388

# AMENDMENT TO ELLEN KAMPS CONTRACT RESOLUTION (MARK VANKERKHOFF, DIRECTOR)

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. TMP-24-2389**

### APPROVING TWO APPLICANTS FOR PROTECTION THROUGH THE FARMLAND PROTECTION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Ordinance 01-67, Adopting and Implementing the Kane County Agricultural Conservation Easement and Farmland Protection Program, was passed by the Kane County board on April 10, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 01-67 authorizes the board to acquire conservation interests in real property for the purpose of rural and farmland protection; and

WHEREAS, the Kane County Agricultural Conservation Easement and Farmland Protection Commission met on April 29, 2024 and recommends to the Kane County Board the following farms for land protection: Herbert G. & Alvena H. Ruh Declaration of Trust Farm and James B. Long Farm.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kane County Board approves the two applicants listed for farmland protection as local and federal funding are available.

Passed by the Kane County Board on Tuesday, June 11, 2024.

John A. Cunningham, MBA, JD, JD

Clerk, County Board

Kane County, Illinois

Corinne M. Pierog MA, MBA

Chairman, County Board

Kane County, Illinois

Vote:



#### **RESOLUTION / ORDINANCE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ADDENDUM**

#### <u>Title</u>

Approving Two Applicants for Protection Through the Farmland Protection Program

#### **Committee Flow:**

Agriculture Committee, Executive Committee, County Board

#### Contact:

Sarahy Castro, Farmland Preservation Administrator 630-232-3483

#### **Budget Information**:

Was this item budgeted? N/A	Appropriation Amount: \$N/A
If not budgeted, explain funding source: N/A	

#### **Summary**:

This resolution authorizes the County Board to approve two candidate farms for protection with conservation easements through the Kane County Farmland Protection Program.

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. TMP-24-2390**

### AMENDING A CONTRACT WITH ELLEN KAMPS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FOOD AND AGRICULTURE PROJECT CONSULTING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Kane County Development and Community Services Department is seeking to amend a contract with Ellen Kamps, a consultant, to provide additional project services following the withdrawal of an alternate service vendor; and

WHEREAS, the Kane County Board previously authorized a contract (RES: 24-050) with Ellen Kamps to provide a range of potential services within the scope of the Priority Service Needs for Kane County Agriculture Projects detailed in Exhibit 2 - EK of the approved contract resolution and attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the previously approved contract resolution with Ellen Kamps established a not to exceed amount of \$170,000 based on a select set of project needs determined by the Department including but not limited to developing a pollinator habitat toolkit for farmers and managing the implementation of a farmer assistance grant program; and

WHEREAS, the Department requests that the contractual not to exceed amount be increased from \$170,000 to \$290,000 for the delivery of additional project services under Ellen's contract including the administration of Kane County's Land Transfer Navigator Program and transition support for Kane County's Farmland Protection Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department has secured funding through an American Farmland Trust Land Transfer Navigator Program grant as well as retains funds within the Farmland Preservation Fund 430 Contractual / Consulting Services line item to pay for the additional services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Kane County Board is authorized to amend the contract with Ellen Kamps, not to exceed \$290,000 (Two Hundred and Ninety Thousand Dollars).

*Line Item:* Fund 430 (Farmland Preservation) Fund 400 (Economic Development), Fund 435 (Growing for Kane), Fund 355 (ARPA)

Line Item Description: N/A

Was Personnel/Item/Service approved in original budget or a subsequent budget revision? Partially Are funds currently available for this Personnel/Item/Service in the specific line item? Partially If funds are not currently available in the specified line item, where are the funds available?

The American Farmland Trust grant disbursements and expenses will be reflected in the budget pending the approval of an FY 24 budget adjustment to the Growing for Kane Fund. File Number: TMP-24-2390

Passed by the Kane County Board on Tuesday, June 11, 2024.

John A. Cunningham, MBA, JD, JD Clerk, County Board Kane County, Illinois Corinne M. Pierog MA, MBA Chairman, County Board Kane County, Illinois

Vote:



#### **RESOLUTION / ORDINANCE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ADDENDUM**

#### <u>Title</u>

Amending a Contract with Ellen Kamps to Provide Additional Food and Agriculture Project Consulting Services

#### **Committee Flow:**

Agriculture Committee, Finance and Budget Committee, Executive Committee, County Board

#### Contact:

Mathew Tansley, Planner 630-232-3493

#### **Budget Information:**

Was this item budgeted? Partially	Appropriation Amount: \$290,000		

If not budgeted, explain funding source: To be paid with funding available through one or more of the following: Farmland Preservation Fund 430, Economic Development Fund 400, Growing for Kane Fund 435, and ARPA Fund 355

#### **Summary**:

This resolution will amend a contract between Kane County and Ellen Kamps to provide additional food and agriculture project consulting services. The additional services will include the administration of Kane County's Land Transfer Navigator Program and transition support for Kane County's Farmland Protection Program.

### EXHIBIT 2 - EK (The Work)

### Priority Service Needs for Kane County Agriculture Projects (That may be fulfilled by **Ellen Kamps**)

- Provide local food system and agricultural business advisory services (on policies and programs) to the Kane County Agriculture Committee and Director of the Development and Community Services Department.
- 2. Advise the development and implementation of programs that increase the accessibility of healthy, local foods in underserved communities.
- 3. Review and evaluate the draft Kane County Strategic Economic Development Plan and recommendations in respect to initiatives identified for agriculture.
- 4. Identify business development and expansion opportunities in the agriculture, local food production, and agriculture technology sectors, working with the Greater Chicagoland Economic Partnership and World Business Chicago.
- 5. Provide ongoing advisory services to Kane County officials on the role of agricultural sector partners in the formation and launch of a public/private partnership economic development organization for Kane County.
- 6. Identify and evaluate funding opportunities offered by public and private entities.
- 7. Identify and evaluate new revenue streams for supporting Kane County-led agricultural programs.
- 8. Provide grant-writing services for funding applications that further the strategic growth of Kane County's Agriculture Programs.
- 9. Provide training / technical assistance for local food growing organizations (e.g. business/strategic planning, financial management, sales and marketing, technology and innovation ... etc.).
- 10. Provide technical guidance in designing and deploying measurement tools for tracking carbon sequestration, greenhouse gas emissions, and other climate mitigation metrics.
- 11. Create conservation plans with soil health, water quality, and habitat improvement goals for working farms.
- 12. Conduct stakeholder interviews, facilitated discussions / focus groups, and design engagement surveys.
- 13. Administering economic relief and business development grant programs for agriculturebased businesses and food service organizations.

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. TMP-24-2391**

### AMENDING THE GROWING FOR KANE FUND FY 2024 BUDGET TO ACCOUNT FOR THE LAND TRANSFER NAVIGATOR GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Kane County was awarded a multi-year Land Transfer Navigator Program grant on behalf of the American Farmland Trust (AFT) in the amount of \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, the program will support the succession planning needs of Kane County's agricultural conservation easement landowners; and

WHEREAS, the Kane County Development and Community Services Department requests a budget adjustment to the FY 2024 Growing for Kane Fund budget to account for the grant revenues and related program expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kane County Board that a FY 2024 budget adjustment be granted to account for anticipated AFT grant disbursements and expenses of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000).

435.690.000.38900 - Miscellaneous Other + \$25,000 435.690.022.50150 - Contractual / Consulting Services + \$25,000

Line Item: 435.690.022.50150

Line Item Description: Contractual / Consulting Services

Was Personnel/Item/Service approved in original budget or a subsequent budget revision? No Are funds currently available for this Personnel/Item/Service in the specific line item? No If funds are not currently available in the specified line item, where are the funds available?

American Farmland Trust grant to be applied to 435.690.000.38900

Passed by the Kane County Board on Tuesday, June 11, 2024.

John A. Cunningham, MBA, JD, JD

Clerk, County Board

Clerk, County Board

Clerk County Board

Kane County, Illinois Kane County, Illinois

Vote:



#### **RESOLUTION / ORDINANCE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ADDENDUM**

#### <u>Title</u>

Amending the Growing for Kane Fund FY 2024 Budget to Account for the Land Transfer Navigator Grant Program

#### **Committee Flow:**

Agriculture Committee, Finance and Budget Committee, Executive Committee, County Board

#### Contact:

Mathew Tansley, Planner 630-232-3493

#### **Budget Information:**

Was this item budgeted? No	Appropriation Amount: \$25,000	
If not budgeted, explain funding source: American Farmland Trust grant to be applied to Fund		
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#### **Summary**:

Kane County was awarded grant funds by the American Farmland Trust in 2023 to implement a Land Transfer Navigator Program beginning in FY 2024. This resolution will amend the Growing for Kane Fund FY 2024 budget to account for the AFT grant revenues and related expenses.