

July 8, 2015

Mr. Matthew B. Galligan, Town Manager
Town of South Windsor
1540 Sullivan Avenue
South Windsor, CT 06074

Dear Mr. Galligan:

At its Regular Meeting of July 6, 2015, the South Windsor Town Council approved the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, in May 2014 Council established a Committee named the South Windsor Agriculture, Arts and Nature Center Committee, (SWAAN) to help create a project celebrating the farm heritage of South Windsor utilizing the Town owned property known as the Priest Farm, (approximately 75 acres, purchased in 1996 for \$500,215.00), which will be a benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, the SWAAN Committee has met for the past year developing strategic plans and evaluating the community uses of the Priest Farm property; and

WHEREAS, the SWAAN Committee has received \$28,000.00 in grant money to be used for a feasibility study to include a study on the integrity of the structures on the property and the potential for reuse; conceptual planning of the entire property; and potential costs for upgrades; and

WHEREAS, the SWAAN Committee is exploring a variety of community uses, with focus on agriculture and education; and

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WHEREAS, the SWAAN Committee has developed a history of the Priest Family Farm with the support of the South Windsor Public Library, Wood Memorial Library & Museum, South Windsor Historical Society, and the Town Planning Department staff; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council endorsement of improvements will allow the SWAAN Committee to bring the ideas and plans to the public

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby endorses and supports improvements at the Priest Farm property.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah W. Reid
Clerk of the Council

cc: South Windsor Agriculture, Arts, and Nature Center Committee Members