



Resolution of the Township of Bernards

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Resolution #2019-0438

Resolution Authorizing the Friends of the Kennedy-Martin-Stelle Farmstead, Inc. to Lease, License, Rent or Otherwise Permit the Use of the Farmstead Property for Classes, Programs, Events and Meetings Consistent with the Purpose of a Lease Agreement with Edward Walter to Use Space Solely as studio for writing and art production

WHEREAS, the Township of Bernards owns the real property identified as Block 8401, Lot 23 (formally known as Block 185, Lot 20.03), consisting of approximately 4.397± acres, and located at 450 King George Road in the Township of Bernards, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Property contains an “English Barn,” “Farm House,” Wagon House,” “Cow Shed,” and other ancillary structures, which are on the New Jersey Historic Register and the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, the Township and the Friends of the Kennedy-Martin-Stelle Farmstead, Inc. (“Friends”) entered into Lease Agreement C1775-1, dated March 29, 2005, for the Property (the “Lease”), which was thereafter amended to increase the term of the Lease; and

WHEREAS, Sections 2 and 3 of the Lease provide that Friends may provide access to Township residents for meetings and other appropriate events, provide alternate uses, and sublet or assign any interests in the Lease, subject to the prior written approval of the Township; and

WHEREAS, by email dated October 22, 2019, the Friends requested approval to permit a lease agreement with Edward Walter for use of space solely as a studio for writing and art production; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has reviewed the proposed non-exclusive license agreement and finds it consistent with public purposes of the Lease and Mission and Vision of the Friends.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, in the County of Somerset and State of NJ, that the Township of Bernards hereby grants authorization to the Friends of the Kennedy-Martin-Stelle Farmstead, Inc., to enter into a non-exclusive lease agreement with Edward Walter, at 258 Long Meadow Rd., Bedminster, NJ 07921, from December 1, 2019 to July 1, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township hereby explicitly reserves the right to revoke the authorization herein granted to Friends at its sole discretion.

Agenda and Date Voted: 10/29/2019

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 10/29/2019 .

Rhonda Pisano, Municipal Clerk

Explanatory Statement

License renewal for Edward Walter at KMS Farmstead; Edward Walter is unable to commit to the standard 12 month renewal period at this time due to personal circumstances and has requested an 8 month lease term.

Thank you, Ann Rosenblum, President

Dated: October 22, 2019