CITY OF CHILLICOTHE, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO. 22-09-09

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE ITEP GRANT APPLICATION TO FUND PEDESTRIAN/BIKING TRAIL

WHEREAS, the City of Chillicothe, Illinois ("City of Chillicothe") is an Illinois municipality organized and operating pursuant to the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/1-1-1, et. seq.); and

WHEREAS, the City of Chillicothe has the authority to pass resolutions necessary for the lawful governance of the City of Chillicothe; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chillicothe supports the desire to construct a pedestrian/biking trail in Chillicothe, Illinois and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chillicothe supports the overall masterplan of pedestrian/biking trails as developed through our Bike Path Task Force; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chillicothe is eligible to apply for the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program ("ITEP") grant, and has the capability to monitor expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the ITEP grant application process encourages a resolution of support from involved agencies and/or governing bodies impacted by the construction of said trails, supported by intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, the ITEP grant and application process may require local agency matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Chillicothe ("City Council"), on October 26, 2020, adopted Resolution 20-10-12 committing local match funding in an amount up to \$85,000 to contribute to ITEP grant funds for site improvements of trails located on the City's right-of-way properties and for regular maintenance on same; and

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2022, City Council, adopted Resolution 22-02-02 committing additional ITEP match funding of \$21,263.00, for a total up to \$106,263.00, to contribute to ITEP grant funds for site improvements of trails located on the City's right-of -way properties and for regular maintenance on same; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chillicothe has learned of subsequent changes to the proposed pedestrian/biking trail(s), including, but not limited to, the location of the initial trail, site improvements for same, the timeline for site improvements, and the need for property acquisition for the proposed pedestrian/biking trail, which have necessitated additional ITEP funding and required additional matching funds from the City; and

WHEREAS, City Council has determined it is necessary and in the best interests of the City of Chillicothe and the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens to apply for additional ITEP grant funding and commit to additional matching funds as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHILLICOTHE, PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section One: The foregoing recitals and the findings therein are hereby adopted by City Council and are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

Section Two: City Council hereby reaffirms the general, non-monetary commitments made in Resolution 20-10-12, adopted October 26, 2020, and Resolution 22-02-02, adopted February 28, 2022.

<u>Section Three</u>: City Council hereby commits to total of \$167,811.65 in ITEP match funding, based on the current, proposed ITEP grant amount of \$839,058.25.

<u>Section Four</u>: City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, the Economic Development Director of the City of Chillicothe, and the other officers of the City of Chillicothe to take such steps as may be necessary and prudent to pursue the ITEP funding, including, without limitation, submittal of a letter to the Illinois Department of Transportation for additional funding.

Section Five: City Council further authorizes the Mayor, the Economic Development Director of the City of Chillicothe, the City Attorney, and the other officers of the City of Chillicothe to take such steps as may be necessary and prudent to pursue and obtain an Intergovernmental Agreement with IVC School District 321 for the acquisition, use, and maintenance of certain property for the bike path.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHILLICOTHE, PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS this 26th day of September, 2022.

Ayes: Seven (7)
Nays: One (1)
Absent: None (0)

Michael D. Hughes, Mayo

Attest: