

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE CALE TRAIL PROJECT

At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Harrisonburg City Council held on Tuesday July 10, 2018, on a motion by Council Member Byrd, seconded by Vice Mayor Baugh, the following resolution was adopted by a vote of 5 to 0 :

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation is currently soliciting applications for funding to its Recreational Trails Program; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF HARRISONBURG CITY COUNCIL desires to submit an application for an allocation of funds to construct the Cale Trail to provide bicycle and pedestrian access to Westover Park, as well as to provide a community amenity that allows residents to enjoy the forested area adjacent to Westover Park, and provide a facility for residents of all ages to become more active outdoors, away from traffic on City streets; and

WHEREAS, the Cale Trail is identified in the 2017 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, and trails are ranked as a leading recreational need in the 2013 Parks and Recreation Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF HARRISONBURG CITY COUNCIL understands this project to include a 10' wide asphalt path that is ADA accessible, and connects the picnic shelters at the top of the hill at Westover Park to the Thomas Harrison Middle School property, by way of the Cale properties that were donated to the City for this purpose, and will ultimately connect with the Garbers Church Road shared use path (completion expected in 2020), by way of Wyndham Drive, to provide bicycling and walking connections between three schools and two parks; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department completed a feasibility study for the Cale Trail in 2016;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The HARRISONBURG CITY COUNCIL hereby supports this application to compete for \$372,000 of federal funding under the Recreational Trails Program to contribute to the total project cost of up to \$465,000, which includes the design and construction of this project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Harrisonburg hereby agrees to provide the balance of the funding needed to design and construct the Cale Trail, up to \$93,000, which may be satisfied with a combination of cash and staff time.

ADOPTED this 10th day of July, 2018.


Deanna Reed, Mayor

ATTEST:


Pam Ulmer, Deputy City Clerk