RESOLUTION NO. 01-30-18-03

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT ENDORSING THE PLAN OF A MULTI-USE SCHOOL CONNECTION TRAIL

WHEREAS, officials of the City of Waupun consider bicycle and pedestrian transportation to be of utmost importance to the region by providing the region with recreation and transportation opportunities as well as the possibilities of economic and community development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waupun adopted a Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2017-2022 that includes a recommendation to develop bicycle paths with a focus on linking schools and parks as part of a loop through existing and planned residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waupun's Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2017-2022 calls for the city to improve safe routes to school; and

WHEREAS, a trail extension is being proposed from East Lincoln Street to Shaler Drive and northerly along Shaler Drive and Gateway Drive to the intersection of the existing off-road trail on East Spring Street that will connect Waupun Area Junior/Senior High School and Rock River Intermediate School as well as the Waupun Community Center, Waupun Baseball Complex and Tanner Park which hosts an array of community festivals; and

WHEREAS, the proposed trail creates connection points along the Rock River Trail Bike Route and, in future development, the Wild Goose State Trail to support the City of Waupun's Comprehensive Plan Transportation Goal 3.2.1 that outlines the need to increase the amount of pedestrian and bike trails within the City and provide connections to regional trail systems; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waupun's 2016 Downtown Visioning Workshop engaged community stakeholders who identified the proposed trail site as a site in the community that should be better connected to commerce centers to foster economic development within the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Waupun hereby endorses the plan to develop a multi-use school connection trail in the City of Waupun as outlined in the City's WiDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Application.

Adopted this 30th day of January, 2018

Acting Mayor, Ryan Mielke

Attest:

Angela f. Hull, City Clerk