

Amherst County Board of Supervisors County Resolution No. 2019-0010-R

For consideration on July 16, 2019

## A RESOLUTION, NO. 2019-0010-R

A resolution, to authorize an application to the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation for federal funding assistance under the Recreational Trails Program through the Federal Highway Administration within the United States Department of Transportation.

Approved as to form by the County Attorney

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

I. That the Amherst County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Amherst County Administrator to apply to the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) for federal funding assistance from the Recreational Trails Program through the Federal Highway Administration within the United States Department of Transportation, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) provides federal funds to support the cost of the construction or rehabilitation of recreational trails and trail related facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Amherst County Board of Supervisors ("Board") considers it to be in the best public interests of the County to complete Riveredge Trail extension to the James River Heritage Trail (JRHT) is to begin with construction of Section 1, an approximate 500-foot portion, that is described in the 2019 DCR RTP application; and

**WHEREAS**, any funding received from the Federal Highway Administration's Recreational Trails Program shall be used for completion of section 1, an approximate 500-foot section, of Riveredge Trail within the specified timeframe; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby certifies that all project funding is committed and will be derived from local resources; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges that it is responsible for supporting all non-cash commitments to this project should they not materialize; and

WHEREAS, the Board is aware that any grant approved by the Federal Highway Administration will be paid on an 80 percent federal and 20 percent local funding reimbursement basis, and that the Board may request payment only after the Board has (i) paid and remitted eligible and allowable costs to its vendors, and (ii) provided evidence of the same to the Department of Conservation and Recreation in the format required by the project agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board recognizes that passage of this Resolution 2019-0010-R is a necessary part of an application to the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation for funding under the Recreational Trails Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges that it is responsible for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Endangered Species Act, and the Historic Preservation Act, as well as all applicable state and federal laws; and

WHEREAS, the Board represents that appropriate opportunity for public comment on this application has been provided, and that it will supply evidence of that opportunity as a prerequisite for approval of its grant application.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

That the Board hereby authorizes the Amherst County Administrator to apply to the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation for federal funding assistance from the Recreational Trails Program through the Federal Highway Administration within the United States Department of Transportation.

II. That this resolution shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

Adopted this 16th day of July, 2019.

L. J. Ayers III, Chairman

Amherst County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk

Amherst County Board of Supervisors

Ayes 5

Nays Ø

Abstentions **4**