



Legislation Text

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Resolution Supporting a Grant Application to the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission Connecting Communities Program for Treeline Alignment Study from Argo Pond to 721 N. Main

The City of Ann Arbor and the Treeline Conservancy are seeking funds from the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission Connecting Communities Program to complete a preliminary engineering study, known as an alignment study, to determine the best trail route and crossing mechanism to move people between Argo Pond to 721 N. Main. The planned study will address a significant trail link that is a key connector to the Border-to-Border Trail and is the Treeline's most complicated road crossing;

The City of Ann Arbor submitted a pre-proposal application, which resulted in a meeting with staff to discuss project details and ultimately an approval to submit a formal grant application. A requirement of the formal grant application is a Resolution of Support from City Council.

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Whereas, City Council unanimously adopted the Treeline Allen Creek Urban Trail Master Plan on December 18, 2017 as part of the City's overall Master Plan;

Whereas, Grant funds from Connecting Communities will be utilized to move us further towards implementation of the Treeline Trail by supporting a preliminary engineering study to determine the best crossing from Argo Pond to City-owned property, 721 N. Main, a significant trail link that is a key connector to the Border-to-Border Trail and is the Treeline's most complicated road crossing;

Whereas, A preliminary engineering study such as this will help address concerns and questions about cost by providing more detailed cost estimates; and

Whereas, A Resolution of Support by City Council is a requirement of the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission Connecting Communities Grant Program application process;

RESOLVED, City Council support a grant application to the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission Connecting Communities Program for a preliminary engineering alignment study from Argo Pond to 721 N. Main.