

**CITY OF CHARLOTTE, COUNTY OF EATON, STATE OF MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021 – 007**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION FOR A STUDY TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF REGIONAL TRAIL DEVELOPMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Charlotte recognizes non-motorized transportation as an important element of our community’s quality of life, as it provides necessary and vital opportunities for residents of all socio-economic backgrounds; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Charlotte has worked, for many years, to develop and enhance a safe, walkable network of pedestrian infrastructure connecting all points within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Charlotte further recognizes that safe and high-quality non-motorized transportation enhancements are especially important to residents with disabilities that may make it difficult or impossible to access motorized transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Charlotte understands that non-motorized transportation infrastructure represents more than transportation; it is also critically important for recreation, and encourages the type of healthy and active lifestyles the City wants to help make available for its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Charlotte appreciates that it is part of a larger region that is home to other communities and jurisdictions that may share some or all of these same goals and objectives.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Charlotte hereby offers its support for a proposed multi-jurisdictional application to the USDA Rural Development Program that, if approved, would help fund a study to determine whether the development of a regional trail connecting the City of Charlotte and the City of Eaton Rapids is feasible; the study to include the identification and evaluation of route alternatives; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any and all jurisdictions that might be connected by any proposed trail development be invited and encouraged to participate in the study, and any subsequent development process.

The foregoing resolution offered by Council member \_\_\_\_\_ and supported by \_\_\_\_\_.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

Aye:

Nay:

Absent:

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Charlotte, County of Eaton, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City of Charlotte at a regularly scheduled meeting held on Monday, January 18, 2021, relevant to the Michigan Open Meetings Act, the original of which is on file in my office as part of council minutes.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my official signature this \_\_\_\_ day of January 2021.

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Pearl Tidwell, City Clerk  
City of Charlotte