



## Waynesboro City Council Agenda Briefing

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	September 9, 2019	<b>Staff/Council Member(s):</b> D. James Shaw II, Deputy City Manager/ Dwayne Jones, Director of Parks and Recreation
<b>Agenda Item #</b>	10	
<b>Resolution#</b>		
<b>Department:</b>	Waynesboro Parks and Recreation	
<b>Subject:</b>	South River Greenway Phase IV Extension- VDOT Grant	

### Background:

In 2001, a Conceptual Greenway Map was adopted by the Waynesboro City Council which proposed a city-wide network of trails. The South River Greenway is proposed as the centerpiece of the system. To date, the City has completed 1.2 miles of trail along the South River. Greenway Phase III and Phase IIB, currently at various levels of design and engineering, will add an additional two miles of trail. With the completion of Phase IIB on the horizon, the City will be poised to begin the next extension, Phase IV. This phase will add an additional 0.7 miles of trail connecting North Park to Basic Park.

The City has the potential to fund this next section of greenway with a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). TAP grant applications for FY21/FY22 funding are currently being accepted with an application deadline of October 1<sup>st</sup>. The City's application passed a VDOT pre-screening process earlier this summer. TAP grants are a locally administered, 80/20 reimbursement program. The City would incur expenditures and VDOT would reimburse 80-percent of such costs to the locality, (less a five-percent administrative fee). The total project cost with contingency is \$813,474. The City's twenty-percent match would be \$162,700.

This South River Greenway Trail extension is identified as a specific goal of the 2018 Comprehensive Plan. The 2018 Virginia Outdoor Plan (VOP), which acts as the Commonwealth's five-year plan for outdoor recreation, recognizes and lists the expansion of the South River Greenway as one of the region's feature recreation projects. If awarded the grant, preliminary engineering could begin as early as FY21 with construction projected to begin in FY22.

**City Manager's Recommendation:** The City Manager recommends that the City Council endorse this project.

**Suggested Motion(s):** Move to endorse a resolution in support of a Virginia Department of Transportation Transportation Alternatives Program grant application to fund the South River Greenway Phase IV Extension from North Park to Basic Park.

**Attachments:** 1) Resolution 2) Location Map

CITY COUNCIL OF WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA



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**RESOLUTION**

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**VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM  
SOUTH RIVER GREENWAY PHASE IV**

**Whereas**, improving bicycle and pedestrian accommodations and encouraging economic development are priorities of the City of Waynesboro; and

**Whereas**, the City's 2018 Comprehensive Plan specifically calls out the South River Greenway Phase IV extension for improvement and investment; and

**Whereas**, the SAWMPO Policy Board has endorsed the City's application for the South River Greenway Phase IV extension;

**Whereas**, the City of Waynesboro hereby commits to provide a minimum 20 percent matching contribution for this project and any additional funds necessary to complete the project; and

**Whereas**, the City of Waynesboro will be responsible for maintenance and operating costs of any improvement / facility constructed with Transportation Alternatives funds unless other arrangements have been made with the Department; and

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved**, that the City of Waynesboro, requests the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish a project for the South River Greenway, Phase IV; and

**Be It Further Resolved** that the City of Waynesboro hereby endorses and sponsors an application to the Virginia Department of Transportation for a Transportation Alternatives grant for the South River Greenway, Phase IV.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_, Mayor,  
Waynesboro City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

# SOUTH RIVER GREENWAY PHASE 4

