

(Synopsis: Approval of this resolution would support a Safe Routes to School grant request to construct a shared use path on N. Main Street and a sidewalk on North Street near Washington Middle School.)

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AN ILLINOIS SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL
PROGRAM GRANT REQUEST IN SCHOOL DISTRICT 52**

WHEREAS, the City of Washington proposes to apply for assistance from the Illinois Safe Routes to School Program for the purpose of constructing an 8' wide shared use path on N. Main Street from W. Cruger Road to Washington Middle School and constructing a sidewalk on North Street from N. Main Street to west of West Street; and

WHEREAS, while no local funding match is required, the City of Washington has the funds available to pay up to \$200,000, which is the maximum grant request, prior to reimbursement by the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the City of Washington has the financial capability to operate, maintain, and manage the completed project in a safe and attractive manner for the public's use; and

WHEREAS, the City of Washington desires to provide a safe transportation system for pedestrian and bicycling traffic; and

WHEREAS, the health and safety of the students in School District 52 is of the highest concern; and

WHEREAS, the City of Washington, in coordination with the Washington Police Department and the staff of District 52, plans to educate the District 51 students and enforce the observance of all traffic laws nearby; and

WHEREAS, all of the necessary right-of-way has been acquired to construct a shared use path on N. Main Street and a sidewalk on North Street; and

WHEREAS, the City of Washington has determined that the pursuit of an Illinois Safe Routes to School Program grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation will help meet these objectives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

That the City supports the grant request to construct approximately 600 lineal feet of shared use path from W. Cruger Road to Washington Middle School along N. Main Street and to construct approximately 450 lineal feet of sidewalk on North Street from N. Main Street to west of West Street.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ day of _____, 2018.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk