

RESOLUTION NO. 01-06
CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED BY COUNCILMEMBER Paul Gresham ON THE
23rd DAY OF January, 2006.

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR CLEAN OHIO TRAILS PROGRAM FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE IRON HORSE TRAIL FROM HEMSTEAD STATION DRIVE IN KETTERING, SOUTHWARD TO THE I-675 LIMITED ACCESS RIGHT-OF-WAY IN CENTERVILLE ALONG THE ABANDONED RAILROAD CORRIDOR.

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) and/or the Clean Ohio Trails Fund, and

WHEREAS, the City of Centerville desires financial assistance under the Clean Ohio Trails Program.

NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTERVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1. That the Council of the City of Centerville endorses an Application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for Clean Ohio Trails Fund Program for construction of the Iron Horse Trail and commits the necessary local funds for the project development and the matching construction funds, a copy of the Project Description is attached hereto, marked as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein.

Section 2. That Gregory B. Horn, City Manager, is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.

PASSED this 23rd day of January, 2006.

C. Mark Kenney
Mayor of the City of Centerville, Ohio

ATTEST:

Debra A. James
Clerk of Council, City of Centerville, Ohio

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Clerk of the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution Number 01-06 passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio on the 23rd day of January, 2006.

Debra A. James
Clerk of Council

Approved as to form, consistency
with the Charter and Constitutional Provisions.

Department of Law
Scott A. Liberman
Municipal Attorney

EXHIBIT "A"

The Iron Horse Trail is one component of a network of trails throughout Centerville, Washington Township and Kettering that is designed to link residents into the regional system of trails extending throughout southwest Ohio. This is a cooperative project between the City of Centerville, the Centerville-Washington Park District and the City of Kettering to convert 1.9 miles of former railroad corridor into a shared-use recreation trail.

The communities of Centerville and Washington Township recently adopted a Multi-Use Trail Plan after receiving public input. According to the community survey, 65% of respondents preferred a separate paved trail. As a majority of Centerville is already developed, the Iron Horse Trail is one of the few remaining corridors that can provide this type of multi-use trail. The 10' asphalt trail will provide access for 18,000 residents of these communities to parks, schools, churches and businesses; thus promoting non-motorized forms of transportation.

The City of Centerville, the Centerville-Washington Park District, and the City of Kettering have determined that it is in the best interest of the public and of their respective organizations to seek funding to construct, operate, and maintain the segments of the Iron Horse Recreation Trail and Kettering Recreation Trail. These new segments of trail will link to the current Kettering Recreation Trail by extending the former railroad right-of-way from Hempstead Station Drive in Kettering, southward to the I-675 limited access right of way in Centerville.

The City of Centerville and the Centerville-Washington Park District will jointly bear responsibility for funding, operating and maintaining the trail from the corporate line, south to I-675. The City of Kettering will bear sole responsibility for funding, operating and maintaining the trail from the corporate line, north to Hempstead Station Drive.

The City of Centerville, the Centerville-Washington Park District, and the City of Kettering will pursue funding for construction of the Iron Horse Recreation Trail and Kettering Recreation Trail extension by submitting a joint grant application to the Clean Ohio Trails program. The City of Centerville, the Centerville-Washington Park District, and the City of Kettering will commit the 35% local match funds necessary to construct their respective portions of the trail, as determined to be: City of Centerville – 45.5%; Centerville-Washington Park District – 45.5%, City of Kettering – 9%, as required by the Clean Ohio Program. The amount of funding requested will be spent on the trail in the organization's respective segments according to the percentages stated.

Should the grant be awarded, the three organizations will proceed with construction of the Recreation Trail. The City of Centerville will be the lead agency in the administration of the grant. The City of Centerville will bid out and administer the appropriate contracts for the construction of the entire trail, and shall serve as project coordinator for the construction project.

Immediately upon completion of trail construction, The City of Centerville, the Centerville-Washington Park District, and the City of Kettering will open their respective connectors to the public. Each organization shall maintain its respective segment to the high standards of the industry, and the trail segments shall remain accessible to the public in perpetuity.