

**CITY OF XENIA, OHIO
RESOLUTION NUMBER 17 – C**

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE STATE/FEDERAL BICYCLE ROUTE DESIGNATIONS OF PORTIONS OF THE LITTLE MIAMI, CREEKSIDE, AND JAMESTOWN CONNECTOR TRAIL WAYS THROUGH THE CITY OF XENIA BY THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS.

WHEREAS, the Xenia City Council has made support of the trail ways through our community a local priority as the trails represent both a recreational amenity and a potential economic driver; and

WHEREAS, the City of Xenia has invested considerable resources over the past two decades toward land acquisition, development of facilities, and maintenance costs associated with trail-related assets in our community; and

WHEREAS, bicycle tourism is a growing industry in North America, contributing \$133 billion a year to the economies of communities that provide facilities for such tourists; and

WHEREAS, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has designated a series of corridors crossing Ohio to be developed as various US Bicycle Routes; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has designated a series of corridors crossing Ohio to be developed as various US Bicycle Routes to connect the US Bicycle Routes and communities; and

WHEREAS, ODOT has designated a series of corridors crossing Ohio to be developed as various State Bicycle Routes; and

WHEREAS, ODOT is supportive of AASHTO designated bicycle routes through Ohio, subject to ongoing collaboration with affected jurisdictions to inventory, analyze, and designate specific facilities the routes will traverse; and

WHEREAS, ODOT and other stakeholders have proposed these specific routes to be designated, maps of which are herein incorporated into this resolution by reference; and

WHEREAS, City staff concurs with the proposed routes and found them to be a suitable routes and recommends that the routes be designated so they can be mapped and signed, thereby promoting bicycle tourism in our area.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City of Xenia hereby resolves:

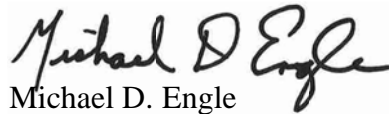
Section 1. The Xenia City Council hereby expresses its approval and support for the development of State and US Bicycle Routes for portions of the Little Miami, Creekside, and Jamestown Connector trail ways as indicated in the incorporated maps and requests that the appropriate officials see to it that the routes are officially designated by AASHTO and ODOT.

Section 2. City staff, once the routes are approved, will collaborate with partner agencies to publicize the routes via internet maps and printed publications and through various other outreach mechanisms.

Section 3. City staff, once the routes are approved, will incorporate the route designations on local maps and other official documents as deemed appropriate by staff.

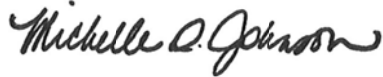
Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: January 26, 2017



Michael D. Engle
President, Xenia City Council

Attest:



Michelle D. Johnson
City Clerk

