Subject: A resolution expressing the willingness of the City of Little Rock to Utilize Federal-Aid Transportation Alternatives Program Funds for bicycle and pedestrian improvements from Cedar Hill Road, between Allsopp Park and Riverfront Drive.

Submitted By: Public Works Department

Action Required: Ordinance ✓ Resolution Approval Information Report

Approved By: Bruce T. Moore City Manager

SYNOPSIS

Authorizes the City Manager or his designated representative to apply for and if received, execute agreements with the Arkansas Department of Transportation for a Transportation Alternative Program Grant or bicycle and pedestrian improvements from Cedar Hill Road, between Allsopp Park and Riverfront Drive.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for this project will be from an Arkansas Department of Transportation - Transportation Alternative Program Grant and a match from the Street Fund. The maximum grant amount is $500,000.00, with a maximum grant match amount of $125,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the resolution.

BACKGROUND

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to apply for and if received, sign grant award documents and contracts for a project to better connect the Hillcrest and Riverdale Neighborhoods to the Arkansas River Trail.
This project will build upon the Metroplan Transportation Alternative Program Grant awarded to the City in February 2018. It will create a shared-use trail in Allsopp Park along Park Drive, bike lanes on Cedar Hill Road, between Park Drive and Riverfront Drive. In addition, improvements will be made to the sidewalk corridor to the north of Cedar Hill Road and realign the curbs at the Cantrell Road and Mart Drive intersection to improve bicycle and pedestrian operations and safety.