RESOLUTION NO. ____________

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, CITY MANAGER AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY AGREEMENTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR ITS ADMINISTRATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Little Rock understands Federal-Aid Transportation Alternatives Program Funds and Recreational Trail Funds are available at 80% Federal participation and 20% local match to develop or improve trails, and

WHEREAS, the City of Little Rock understands that Federal-Aid Funds are available for these projects on a reimbursable basis, requiring work to be accomplished and proof of payment prior to actual monetary reimbursement, and,

WHEREAS, the City is submitting grant applications for two (2) trails. The application for the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Funding is for a project from the War Memorial Walking Trail to the 12th Street Corridor, and will tie in the Little Rock Zoo and the Hillary Rodham Clinton Children’s Library & Learning Center. The application for the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Funding is for a trail at the Ottenheimer Therapeutic Recreation Center.

WHEREAS, if the grants are awarded, these projects, using Federal Funding, will be open and available for use by the general public and maintained by the applicant for the life of the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. In the event that the grant funds are awarded, the Mayor, City Manager and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute all necessary and appropriate agreements, documents and contracts to administer the Transportation Alternatives Program Funds and Recreational Trail Funds programs and expedite the construction of such.

Section 2. The Board of Directors pledges its full support and hereby authorizes the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department to initiate action to implement this project.

Section 3. Funding for the match portion of the projects is available from Public Works Department Budget.
Section 4. *Severability.* In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this resolution is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the resolution which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of the resolution.

Section 5. *Repealer.* All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

ADOPTED: May 2, 2017

ATTEST:  APPROVED:

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Susan Langley, City Clerk    Mark Stodola, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney