

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-01

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-01 OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUCKHANNON
FORMALLY OFFERING ITS SUPPORT FOR THE
GATEWAY WEST TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SIDEWALK AND LIGHTING
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Buckhannon is consistently striving to improve the economy and viability of the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, the Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project will provide economic improvement by providing more accessibility to not only the downtown area but also to the Liggett Addition; and

WHEREAS, the Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project will increase the amount of pedestrian and bicycle traffic to the downtown area by increasing the main street economy, which allows for a more viable downtown district; and

WHEREAS, the objective to the Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project is to provide pedestrians, bicyclists and other non-motorized forms of transportation a safe transportation environment (pedestrian, bicycling, and non-motorized) from the Liggett Addition to the City of Buckhannon; and

WHEREAS, the City of Buckhannon recognizes the need for the replacement and construction of new concrete sidewalks from the Liggett Addition to the City of Buckhannon; and

WHEREAS, the City of Buckhannon recognizes the need for improved street lighting from the Liggett Addition to the City of Buckhannon; and

WHEREAS, the Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project shall also serve as an extension of the Buckhannon River Walk by allowing pedestrians and bicyclists to safely travel from the Liggett Addition through downtown Buckhannon to any of the river walks without having to walk or bicycle along the edge of WV County Route 12 (Old Weston Road); and

WHEREAS, the Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project shall help improve the quality of life for people by providing a safe walking and bicycling environment and providing access to St. Joseph's Hospital and the Physician's Care Facility located between Liggett Addition and the City of Buckhannon; and

WHEREAS, the construction of downtown-style sidewalks and the installation of period lighting identified in the proposed Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project will incorporate the City of Buckhannon's existing historical downtown theme, thus connecting the outlying residential areas with the downtown and providing a sense of community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Buckhannon, as follows:

(1) The Buckhannon City Council hereby ADOPTS, RATIFIES and APPROVES this Resolution of Support for the Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project; and

(2) The estimated cost of the Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project is Three Hundred Eighty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and Forty Seven Cents (\$389,295.47); and

(3) Pending funding of the Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways (WVDOH), the Council of the City of Buckhannon will provide \$77,859.09, which is twenty percent (20%), of the total Project funding via the "Pay-As-You-Go Method", meaning the City of Buckhannon will pay 100% of all costs (\$389,295.47) associated with the construction of the Gateway West Transportation Alternatives Sidewalk and Lighting Improvement Project and will submit invoices to the WVDOH for 80% reimbursement for the costs accrued, which is approximately \$311,436.38, thus leaving 20% of the total Project costs, which is approximately \$77,859.09, to be paid by the City of Buckhannon; and

(4) The City Recorder shall certify the passage and adoption of this Resolution, No. 2017-01; and,

VOTE ON RESOLUTION

IN FAVOR	OPPOSED
(1) _____ David W. McCauley, Mayor	_____
(2) _____ Susan Aloi, City Recorder	_____
(3) _____ Pamela Cuppari, Council Member	_____
(4) _____ Mary Albaugh, Council Member	_____
(5) _____ C. J. Rylands, Council Member	_____
(6) _____ Robert Skinner, Council Member	_____
(7) _____ J. David Thomas, Council Member	_____

CERTIFICATE OF PASSAGE AND ENACTMENT

I, Susan Aloi, City Recorder of the City of Buckhannon, a West Virginia municipal corporation, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution 2017-01 was lawfully passed and enacted by the Council of the City of Buckhannon during a regular meeting of the City Council on January 5, 2017.

Susan Aloi, City Recorder