

**Resolution #2018-03 DID NOT PASS- Must have an affirmative vote of at least (4) members**

To Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Marshall for Continued Operation of the Albion-Marshall Connector from 2018-2020

**Purpose and Finding:** The Albion-Marshall Connector currently provides curb to curb public transportation between Albion and Marshall to the residents of both municipalities. The Connector has continued to be popular as a form of public transportation and Albion citizens have begun to rely upon increasingly more for travel to work, doctor's appointments, and events in each municipality. Due to budgetary issues the Connector is again in danger of being forced to cease operations. The continued operation of the Albion-Marshall Connector is in the city's best interests as it has become an essential public transportation service to citizens. In 2016, the City approved the release of \$45,000.00 from the City's fund balance for the continued operation of the Albion-Marshall Connector via Resolution 2016-35. In 2017, through the adoption of Resolution #2017-33, the intergovernmental agreement for continued operation of the AMC was approved with \$15,000 from the City of Albion, and Marshall Public Schools and Oaklawn Hospital contributing a combined total of \$15,000.00 of the needed \$30,000.00 to continue operations. The City Council requested that a more sustainable solution be found to address the funding for this service. The City Administration has meet with several community partners who have each agreed to provide \$3,000 in funding for 3 years for the continued operations of the Albion Marshall Connector.

Council Member French moved, supported by Council Member Lauer, to approve the following resolution.

**RESOLVED**, that the intergovernmental agreement with the City of Marshall for the continued operation of the Albion-Marshall Connector is extended through June 30, 2020 is hereby approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Albion recognizes that the City of Marshall is a public entity and finds that the provision of public transportation to the citizens of Albion in conjunction with Marshall constitutes a public purpose for the use of public funds, as it provides for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Albion.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Albion agrees to appropriate \$3,000 annually towards the operations of the Albion Marshall Connector, starting in 2018.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted on January 22, 2018, in a special session of the Albion City Council, and this is a true copy of that resolution.

Ayes 3

Nays 2

Absent 2 (Barnes / Spicer)

Jill Domingo  
Jill Domingo, Albion City Clerk