

Resolution #2017-33

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

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. The City previously 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. It is now recommended that the intergovernmental agreement for continued operation of the AMC be approved with the release of \$30,000.00 from the City's fund balance. Furthermore, the Marshall Public Schools and Oaklawn Hospital have agreed to share a combined total of \$15,000.00 of the required \$30,000.00.

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

RESOLVED, that the intergovernmental agreement with the City of Marshall for the continued operation of the Albion-Marshall Connector through June 30, 2018 is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to the agreement, any fundraising that results in contributions towards the 2017-2018 operations of the AMC in 2017-2018 shall be used to continue the operations of the AMC;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Albion recognizes that the City of Marshall is a public entity and 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.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted on August 7, 2017, in a special session of the Albion City Council, and this is a true copy of that resolution.

Ayes 6

Nays 1 (Barner)

Absent 0

Jill Domingo
Jill Domingo, Albion City Clerk

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P u b l i c S c h o o l s

To: Albion City Council

From: Marshall Public Schools
Dr. Randall Davis
Rebecca Jones

Date: July 26, 2017

Re: Albion-Marshall Connector

This memo provides as information that Marshall Public Schools, will be contributing \$10,000 to the Albion-Marshall Connector, for the 17-18 fiscal year.

Marshall Public Schools will pay the Albion-Marshall Connector directly for their services.



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Sheryl Mitchell
Albion City Manager
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Dear Ms. Mitchell:

Confirming the statement which I made during the workshop meeting with the Albion City Council, Oaklawn will provide the sum of Five Thousand and 00/100 (\$5,000.00) to support the operation of the Albion-Marshall Connector service. This pledge of funds is to support the service for the period of August 9, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

This offer of support is contingent upon the Marshall Public Schools also providing support as stated in the above-mentioned meeting and the City of Albion covering the balance of the cost for providing the service. We would appreciate being included as early as possible in any discussion(s) about funding for this service for the period after June 30, 2018.

Thank you for allowing us to be part of the process of providing this vital service to the people of the City of Albion.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Lindsey, Jr.
Executive Director of Development
and Community/Legislative Affairs

