

**VILLAGE OF ELK RAPIDS
RESOLUTION 19-23**

APPROVE PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF ACME-TO-ELK RAPIDS TRAIL

WHEREAS: THE VILLAGE OF ELK RAPIDS HAS CONSISTENTLY APPROVED THE CONCEPT OF A NON-MOTORIZED TRAIL CONNECTING CHARLEVOIX TO TRAVERSE CITY; AND

WHEREAS: MANY COMMUNITY GROUPS INCLUDING ROTARY CHARITIES AND COUNTLESS INDIVIDUALS HAVE HELD THE TRAIL TO BE A LABOR OF LOVE FOR RECREATIONAL, ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES, DATING BACK AT LEAST AS FAR AS 2004; AND

WHEREAS: THE VILLAGE OF ELK RAPIDS, IN CONJUNCTION WITH ITS TRAIL PARTNERS, ENGAGED THE ENGINEERING FIRM OF PREIN AND NEWHOF FOR PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF THE ACME-TO-ELK RAPIDS SEGMENT OF THE CHARLEVOIX-TO-TRAVERSE CITY TRAIL IN THE SPRING OF 2018; AND


WHEREAS: THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN INCLUDED, BUT WAS NOT LIMITED TO ENGINEERING ASSESSMENTS OF SEVERAL ALTERNATIVE ROUTES; CONSIDERATION OF FACTORS SUCH AS SAFETY, WETLANDS, AGRICULTURAL LANDS, ACCESS TO PUBLIC LANDS, AND IMPACT ON ADJACENT LAND OWNERS; AND

WHEREAS: AN EXTENSIVE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS WAS IMPLEMENTED WITH MULTIPLE MEETINGS GATHERING FEEDBACK OF STAKEHOLDERS AND ADJACENT LANDOWNERS; AS WELL AS MANY ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS SO AS TO BEST UTILIZE A WELL-INFORMED DECISION-MAKING PROCESS; AND

WHEREAS: UPON CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF ALL FACTORS, ATTACHED IS THE PREFERRED ALIGNMENT OF THE ACME-TO-ELK RAPIDS TRAIL AS PRESENTED BY THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN ENGINEERING FIRM, PREIN AND NEWHOF; NOW, THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED: THE VILLAGE COUNCIL APPROVES THE PREFERRED ALIGNMENT AS PRESENTED.



YEAS: 7

NAYS: 0

EXCUSED: 0

I, CAROLINE KENNEDY, ASST. VILLAGE MANAGER/CLERK, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE RESOLUTION 19-23 WAS DULY ADOPTED AT THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON JUNE 17, 2019.