



Southwestern Commission

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Resolution Supporting Jackson County’s Application and Funding Commitment for a North Carolina Department of Transportation Pedestrian Planning Grant

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation’s Division of Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation has announced the availability of Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grants for local governments; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County desires to apply for a grant to develop a Comprehensive Pedestrian Plan to improve pedestrian connectivity and safety; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County recognizes the numerous health, well-being, quality of life, and economic development benefits resulting from pedestrian transportation; and

WHEREAS, there are opportunities in Jackson County for increasing connectivity to and between residential areas, schools, recreation facilities, work places, civic institutions, and commercial areas; and

WHEREAS, the lack of a Comprehensive Pedestrian Plan limits the County’s ability to address pedestrian connectivity issues; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County has previously committed to accepting and maintaining sidewalks that are constructed within their zoned districts; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County is committed to funding the 30% local match of the grant amount.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Southwestern Rural Planning Organization (RPO) As Follows:

The Southwestern Rural Planning Organization wishes to support Jackson County’s application for the NCDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant.

Read, approved and adopted this 24th day of **September 2018**.

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Chair, Transportation Advisory Committee

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