STATE OF LOUISIANA

CITY OF WEST MONROE

RESOLUTION NO. 129

MOTION BY: Mr. Westerburg SECONDED BY: Mr. Land

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST ENDORSEMENT BY THE OUACHITA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND TO REQUEST THE APPROVAL OF THE DOTD TO THE ADDITION OF CERTAIN DEDICATED BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PATHS ALONG THE ROUTES SHOWN ON THE MAP ENTITLED "WEST MONROE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN PHASE 1", AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Whereas, The City of West Monroe is developing a comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan; and

Whereas, that comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan of the City of West Monroe is intended to plan, design and fund a transportation system that enables mobility and access for all residents whether or not the individual has access to a motor vehicle; and

Whereas, that comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan of the City of West Monroe is intended to increase the safety of the walking and bicycling environment and reduce injuries and fatalities by providing a high level of care and consideration for these modes; and

Whereas, that comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan of the City of West Monroe is intended to support economic development by planning and maintaining a transportation system that supports walkable and bikeable local shopping districts, offers diversified travel options to visitors, and supports increased tourism and recreational opportunities; and

Whereas, that comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan of the City of West Monroe is intended to improve the health of residents by increasing opportunities for combining physical activity with transportation and recreation; and

Whereas, that comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan of the City of West Monroe is intended to preserve the health of the natural environment, improve air and water quality and reduce energy consumption by increasing the rates of walking and bicycling; and

Whereas, the City of West Monroe desires to develop its comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan using current best practices and in accordance with the Louisiana Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan; and

Whereas, there are multiple transportation projects in the City of West Monroe which are either in either design or construction phases, and which are located along desired future bicycle and pedestrian routes; and

Whereas, the City of West Monroe desires to modify existing plans and to request additional funding to include dedicated bicycle/pedestrian paths along the routes shown on the map entitled "West Monroe Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Phase 1".

NOW, THEREFORE

SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that the City of West Monroe requests that the Ouachita Council of Governments endorse the modification of existing plans projects and the requests by the City of West Monroe for appropriate additional funding in order to allow the City of West Monroe to include dedicated bicycle/pedestrian paths along the routes shown on the map entitled "West Monroe Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Phase 1", a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that the City of West Monroe requests that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development allow the addition of these dedicated bicycle/pedestrian paths along the routes shown on the map entitled "West Monroe Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Phase 1" inn accordance with the pending City of West Monroe Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

The above resolution was read and considered by sections at a public meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, in regular and legal session convened on the 9th day of October, 2018, voted on by yea and nay vote, passed and adopted, the final vote being as follows:

YEA: Brian, Hauilton, Land, Westerbu	a
NAY: NONE	J
NOT VOTING:NONE	
ABSENT: BENNE++	
ATTEST.	

CHELETTE, CITY CLERK CITY OF WEST MONROE

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APPROVED THIS 9TH DAY OF

OCTOBER/2018

STACI ALBRITTON MITCH

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