

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held virtually using the Zoom web conferencing application, in said Township on the 30th day of March 2021 at 6:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees, Jackson, Opsommer

ABSENT: Trustees Sundland, Wisinski

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Opsommer and supported by Treasurer Deschaine:

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources accepts grant requests from local units of government to assist in the development and acquisition of recreation properties; and

WHEREAS, it is possible to have up to 75% of the total project cost funded by the Natural Resources Trust Fund program which is funded by revenues generated from gas and mineral rights on public lands; and

WHEREAS, Meridian Township is interested in leveraging local Pathway Millage Funds by obtaining supplemental grant funding for pathway projects whenever possible; and

WHEREAS, Meridian Township has prepared a grant application for submission to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for \$300,000 to extend and complete phase III of the MSU to Lake Lansing Pathway; and

WHEREAS, this project is identified and supported in the Township Pathway Master Plan and in the current Parks and Recreation Master Plan adopted by the Meridian Township Board and Park Commission, and is on file with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, the grant request is outlined and justified in the 2021-2026 Capital Improvements Program adopted by the Township Board; and

WHEREAS, pathway development and improvements are supported by Township Board Policy and 2021 Goals and Objectives; and

WHEREAS, this grant request was open to public review on March 18, 2021; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN, as follows:

