

Councilmember _____introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION #18-039

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE REALIGNMENT OF
THE CENTRAL ANOKA COUNTY REGIONAL TRAIL**

WHEREAS, safe access to parks, trails, and recreation areas, are essential to the quality of life, health and welfare of the City of Ramsey and the regions’s residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ramsey and County of Anoka continue to work with other agencies and partners in a cooperative effort to develop Mississippi West Regional Park and other regional connections within the city; and

WHEREAS, these cooperative efforts include funding by the City of Ramsey for the boat landing, construction of the trail from Riverdale Drive to the river with overlook, development of the Mississippi River Regional Trail from Anoka to MnDOT’s Wayside Rest, the acquisition of an easement to the west of the park for a 2018 trail development project, the acquisition of the touch-down easement for the completion of the future pedestrian bridge over Hwy 10 to the Mississippi River Regional Trail, and the contribution of \$490,000 from the National Park Service for the Final Plans and Specifications for the aforementioned bridge; and

WHEREAS, the County of Anoka has proposed a realignment of the Central Anoka County Regional Trail from Ramsey Boulevard to the West, to be aligned to Center Street, the Northstar Commuter rail station and existing skyway, and future grade separated crossing of Hwy 10 for a safe, direct, and multimodal connection to the Mississippi River Regional Trail and Mississippi West Regional Park, and;

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council requires an amendment to the Master Plan for the realignment of the Central Anoka County Regional Trail be approved by the Metropolitan Council; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Ramsey’s Park and Recreation Commission has reviewed and strongly recommendations to City Council the proposed realignment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:

- 1) That, the City of Ramsey hereby offers unequivocal support to Anoka County and Metropolitan Council for an amendment to the Master Plan for the realignment of the Central Anoka County Regional Trail.

- 2) That, the City of Ramsey and County of Anoka continue to work in a cooperative effort to fund and develop Mississippi West Regional Park and Regional Trail improvements within the city.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 12th day of February 2018.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk