

**STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF HENRY
CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE**

RESOLUTION NO. R13-513

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO NEGOTIATE WITH LANDOWNERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF NECESSARY RIGHT OF WAY PROPERTY RIGHTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE II OF THE REEVES CREEK TRAIL, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSES OF THIS RESOLUTION, AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO ATTEST SIGNATURES AND AFFIX THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE CITY, AS NECESSARY, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALING INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Stockbridge (“City”) is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia and is charged with providing public services to residents located within the corporate limits of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City has constructed a trail and greenway commonly known as the Reeves Creek Greenway and Trail System (“Reeves Creek Trail”); and

WHEREAS, the Reeves Creek Trail consists of a transportation, biking, and walking path that allows citizens of the City and others to enjoy the outdoors and to engage in exercise; and

WHEREAS, the City has constructed only Phase I of the Reeves Creek Trail, and has planned possible additional phases to the project; and

WHEREAS, the City has authorized engineering studies and preliminary plans for Phase II of the Reeves Creek Trail and those plans have been completed; and

WHEREAS, Phase II of the Reeves Creek Trail would construct a trail to connect Flippen Road with the existing Reeves Creek Trail; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation has given the City notice that it has approved the location and design of the Reeves Creek Trail Phase II project; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation has allocated certain funding for the Reeves Creek Trail Phase II project, with a portion of the project to be paid for by the City; and

WHEREAS, the City needs to begin negotiations for the acquisition of the necessary right of way property on which to construct Phase II of the Reeves Creek Trail; and

WHEREAS, the City deems it in the best interest of its citizens to authorize the City Administrator to begin negotiations with landowners for the acquisition of the necessary property rights for the right of way needed for the Reeves Creek Trail Phase II project and the City would be best served by granting the City Administrator such authorization.

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE
HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS;

Section 1. **Approval** - The City Council of the City of Stockbridge, pursuant to its authority under the City Charter, hereby approves and authorizes the City Administrator to enter into negotiations with land owners to acquire the necessary property rights to construct Phase II of the Reeves Creek Trail, and to report to the City Council any proposed transactions with said landowners that are recommended in order to acquire the necessary right of way.

Section 2. **Approval of Execution** - The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents and to perform all other acts necessary to effectuate this Resolution on behalf of the City of Stockbridge. The City Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any document which may be necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

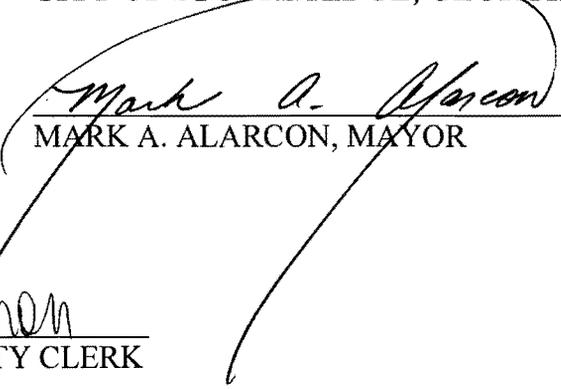
Section 3. **Severability** - To the extent any portion of this Resolution is declared to be invalid, unenforceable, or non-binding, that shall not affect the remaining portions of this Resolution.

Section 4. **Repeal of Conflicting Provisions** - All City resolutions inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby repealed.

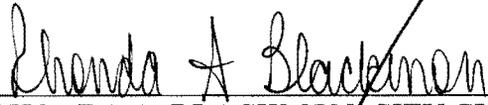
Section 5. **Effective Date** - This Resolution shall be effective on the date of its approval by the City Council and Mayor as provided in the City Charter.

SO RESOLVED, this the 11 day of February, 2013.

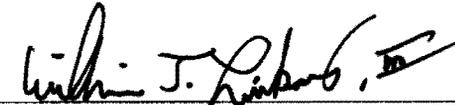
CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE, GEORGIA


MARK A. ALARCON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


RHONDA A. BLACKMON, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


WILLIAM J. LINKOUS, III, CITY ATTORNEY
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