

RESOLUTION NO. #18-602

**Western Avenue Realignment Project  
BUILD Transportation Discretionary Grant**

**WHEREAS**, the Marshall County is committed to improving County Highway 6, Western Avenue, so as to complete this essential transportation route for Marshall County and the surrounding region;

**WHEREAS**, County Highway 6 is a vital link connecting areas to the west of the Illinois River to grain, chemical and fertilizer facilities, and other industries along the Illinois River;

**WHEREAS**, the existing County Highway 6 roadway is a winding, hilly roadway that is unsafe and inefficient for truck traffic;

**WHEREAS**, Marshall County has initiated design and environmental investigations at their own expense with the expectation that construction money will be forthcoming in the future;


**WHEREAS**, Successful receipt of a BUILD Transportation Discretionary Grant funding (\$4,664,000) will allow Marshall County to realign and reconstruct one of the most heavily traveled and critical pieces of infrastructure on the county highway system, and the reconstructed roadway will provide a safer, more efficient transportation link for freight trucks that will be viable for 20 years without additional investment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Marshall County Board commits to the following:

- Complete Phase I engineering and the Project Development Report by April 2019, estimated cost of \$50,000 (over \$100,000 expended to date);
- Purchase the required Right-of-Way prior to bid letting, estimated cost of \$250,000;
- Provide the local match for construction and construction engineering, estimated cost of \$293,000
- Plan to bid the construction project in June 2020 and provide cooperation and all necessary items for the funds to be obligated by September 2020;
- Plan to have construction completed by November 30, 2021.
- Appropriate all necessary funds, estimated to be \$649,000, through the Federal Aid Matching Fund, County Highway Fund and Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

Passed and Adopted at Lacon, Illinois, Marshall County, Illinois on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 2018, by a vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstain.

2 absent

  
Gary Kroeschen, Chairman  
Marshall County Board

ATTEST:   
Jill Piper, Marshall County Clerk