



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Southwest Michigan Planning Commission (SWMPC), has been an Economic Development District partner to the Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) since 1976;

WHEREAS, the SWMPC will submit an application for Local Technical Assistance by the EDA to conduct a study matching business sector market analysis to optimal geographic corridors in Berrien County known as the “Corridors for Development Study;”

WHEREAS, John Egelhaaf is the SWMPC Executive Director;

WHEREAS, the EDA Local Technical Assistance grant funds require a 50 percent local match;

WHEREAS, the Cornerstone Alliance has resolved to provide up to \$12,000 in unencumbered cash contribution as match for the Corridors for Development Study;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Southwest Michigan Planning Commission authorizes the submission of the application for Local Technical Assistance to the EDA known as the Corridors for Development Study; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the SWMPC authorizes John Egelhaaf to submit the application for Local Technical Assistance to the EDA as the official representative of the SWMPC and has the authority to sign and execute any and all grant documents; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the SWMPC will use the \$12,000 in unencumbered cash contribution pledged by Cornerstone Alliance for the portion of the Corridors for Development project to fund the Target Market Analysis phase of the project; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the SWMPC will use the \$12,000 EDA portion of the funding to analyze geographic and infrastructure assets throughout Berrien County and produce mapping of the geographic corridors that best match the priority sectors identified in the Target Market Analysis phase of the project

RESOLVED ON THIS NINETEENTH DAY OF JUNE, 2018.

Don Hanson, Chair SWMPC