

**RESOLUTION 2021-009**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF MARIANNA, FLORIDA, TO SUPPORT CONSTRUCTION OF THE CITY OF MARIANNA SOUTH STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT WITH TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDING, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, President Obama signed the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act (Pub. L. No. 114-94) into law on December 4, 2015, replacing the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) with Surface Transportation Block grant (STBG) Program funding for Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside funds. These include all projects and activities that were previously eligible under TAP, and addresses growing concerns about air quality, open space, and traffic congestion; and

**WHEREAS**, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) encourages people to walk for fitness, transportation and fun; and

**WHEREAS**, every two years, Smart Growth America releases Dangerous by Design, a national report that explores the pedestrian safety crisis. The 2020 update indicates in 2018 drivers in the United States struck and killed 6,283 people walking and another 857 people were struck while riding bicycles. Between 2009 and 2018 traffic deaths among people walking increased by 53%. Similarly, traffic deaths among people bicycling increased by 36% during this time period. Further, Florida now ranks #1 for the number of pedestrian related deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Alternative program (TA) provides funding to support on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, this support is consistent with the City of Marianna Comprehensive Plan, FDOT, CDC, and FAST Act policies supporting alternative means of transportation and;

**WHEREAS**, South Street currently has no pedestrian facilities to allow for safe travel of those walking along the corridor, especially for the transportation disadvantaged population; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marianna understands the need to protect our citizen's safety for motorized and non-motorized access.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF MARIANNA THAT:** they support construction of the City of Marianna South Street Sidewalk project (from Eva Mae St. to McPherson St.) submitted by the City of Marianna.

**PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED** by the City of Marianna on this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

ATTEST:

CITY OF MARIANNA

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Kim Applewhite, City Clerk

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Travis Ephriam, Mayor