

RESOLUTION 1648

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS FOR THE "COLLEGE STREET BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT".

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of West Branch has heretofore deemed it necessary and desirable to construct certain municipal improvements, said project having been referred to as the "College Street Bridge Reconstruction Project" (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project Areas are generally described as College Street between 4<sup>th</sup> Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Street, including the replacement of the College Street Bridge, and Second Street between College Street and Green Street; and

WHEREAS, the City of West Branch proposes to acquire property under the power of eminent domain for said project; and

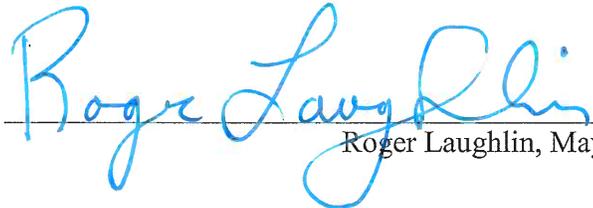
WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6B.2C of the Code of Iowa (2017), the authority to condemn property is not conferred, and condemnation proceedings shall not commence, unless the governing body for the acquiring agency approves the use of condemnation and there is a reasonable expectation the applicant will achieve its public purpose, comply with all reasonable standards, and obtain the necessary permits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa, that the use of the power of eminent domain to acquire the properties in the Project area is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Administration is directed to proceed with the proposed acquisitions of property and comply with all reasonable standards and obtain all necessary permits necessary to further said project in accordance with applicable law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Administrator is hereby directed to determine fair market value for the properties necessary to complete said project, and acquire said properties at fair market value via voluntary agreement, gift, trade or condemnation. Further, the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby directed to execute any and all documentation necessary to complete said acquisitions without further approval.

Passed and approved this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017

  
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Roger Laughlin, Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Redmond Jones II City Administrator / Clerk

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