

RESOLUTION NO. 22-31

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MADISON COUNTY HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION TO APPLY FOR A CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT FOR USE IN ASSESSING ELIGIBILITY OF THE EARLHAM COMMERCIAL DISTRICT FOR THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

WHEREAS, the Madison County Historical Preservation Commission (MCHPC) is looking to nominate the Earlham Commercial District (ECD) for placement on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP); and

WHEREAS, the MCHPC is seeking a Certified Local Government (CLG) grant from the State Historical Society of Iowa for an intensive survey and evaluation of the ECD to access eligibility for the NRHP; and,

WHEREAS, the MCHPC has secured volunteers to do research of the ECD as part of the in-kind match for the CLG grant; and,

WHEREAS, the only funding required from the City will be in the form of in-kind resources including staff hours, rental of equipment, and local contributions (e.g. Earlham Chicks with Checks, Bricker Price Block, etc.);

WHEREAS, public meetings will be held, as well as Facebook posts, to educate the public about the ECD project. In addition, citizens will learn about the benefits of being listed on the NRHP:

- Have the ability to apply for additional grants in the future
- Maintain the downtown and create a culture of sustainability
- Produce a sense of community pride both in the ECD, and our citizens for working together to accomplishing this monumental task.

WHEREAS, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Earlham, that they hereby approve Resolution No. 22-31 Authorizing the Madison County Historical Preservation Commission to Apply for a Certified Local Government Grant for Use in Assessing Eligibility of the Earlham Commercial District for the National Register of Historic Places.

Passed and approved this 8th day of August, 2022.

Jeff Lillie, Mayor

Attest: _____
Mary Sue Hibbs, City Clerk/Treasurer