

RESOLUTION ON MALLETT'S CREEK RESTORATION

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, and Pittsfield Township jointly funded a study for the consultant team of Environmental Consulting and Technology, Inc., Applied Science Inc., and Tilton & Associates, Inc. to assess Malletts Creek and to develop an overall plan to guide the restoration work;

Whereas, That study is now completed and has provided a comprehensive report on restoration activities, identifying the underlying problems and providing an innovative, long-range, staged, practical and cost-effective approach, including a chart of activities and projected costs;

Whereas, The Malletts Creek Association, a citizen creekshed group that has studied Malletts Creek extensively as well as possible public policy steps that would improve Malletts Creek, has prepared a Management Plan for the creekshed that complements the recommendations of the consultant team;

Whereas, These two study groups have involved many staff of the three municipalities and have brought their data and proposals to several public workshops where interested members of the community have responded to the information and contributed their ideas to the recommendations;

Whereas, The goals of the Malletts Creek Management Plan support the goals and objectives of the Middle Huron River Initiative, which the City is a member; and

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor recognizes the long-term benefits of addressing the water quality problems of the creekshed in order to meet the MDEQ mandate to improve the biota of the creekshed and mandate of 50% phosphorus reduction in the Huron River, the city's main source of drinking water; and the City also recognizes the necessity of addressing structural repairs of the creekshed to prevent further channel and bank erosions, isolated flooding and diminished habitat;

RESOLVED, That the City of Ann Arbor accepts the Malletts Creek Restoration Plan submitted by the consultants and the Malletts Creek Management Plan submitted by the Malletts Creek Association as the basic planning documents for the restoration of Malletts Creek;

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator and the appropriate city departments will review these plans and design an Action Plan for the City of Ann Arbor which includes specific steps to be taken, costs and sources of funding;

RESOLVED, That the Action Plan include coordination with Washtenaw County and Pittsfield Township, the Michigan Department of Transportation, and the Washtenaw County Road Commission on joint activities;

RESOLVED, That the Action Plan include coordination with environmental groups that can help with public education and implementation of the Action Plan;

RESOLVED, That the Action Plan include a Malletts Creekshed Coordinating Committee, of appropriate city, county and township staff as well as environmental organizations and members of the public, and elected officials, to assess and make recommendations about the proposals that will affect Malletts Creekshed, to provide assessment of ongoing data about conditions in the creekshed, to make recommendations of new policies and practices that will enhance the quality and function of the creekshed; and

RESOLVED, That the Action Plan be submitted to City Council within 120 days for approval.

Submitted by: Councilmember Carlberg and Kolb

REVISED 3/6/00

**As Amended
March 6, 2000**

**APPROVED
BY COUNCIL**

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**W. NORTHCROSS
CITY CLERK**