

**CREDIT RIVER TOWNSHIP  
SCOTT COUNTY  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-01**

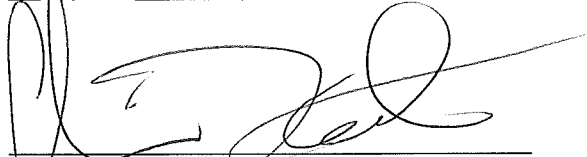
**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LEGISLATION  
AUTHORIZING INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT  
FEES**

- WHEREAS**, developers, builders and new homeowners are driving the need for road improvements, street oversizing, street redesign, and street reconstruction; and
- WHEREAS**, municipal statutory authority appropriately exists for fees related to parks, sewer and water; and
- WHEREAS**, this municipal statutory authority does not exist for infrastructure development fees; and
- WHEREAS**, township streets are one of the four major types of infrastructure local government is responsible to provide to protect public safety and health; township streets represent a separate but integral piece of the network of roads supporting movement of people and goods; and
- WHEREAS**, existing funding mechanisms, such as Municipal State Aid (MSA), property taxes and special assessments, have limited applications, leaving cities and towns under-equipped to address growing needs; and
- WHEREAS**, neighborhood streets are constructed according to town standards by developers; and
- WHEREAS**, funding sources for larger streets and intersections to support new developments have historically come from infrastructure development fees; and
- WHEREAS**, the infrastructure development fee mechanism is no longer allowed as a result of the *Harstad vs. Woodbury* court case; and
- WHEREAS**, costs of growth in the short term should not be supported by current residents through community tax and/or utility fee increases but rather by those that represent the growth; and


WHEREAS, towns need flexible policies and greater resources in order to meet growing demands for street improvements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY CREDIT RIVER TOWNSHIP, SCOTT COUNTY, MINNESOTA that this Town Board supports legislation that would authorize cities and towns to levy infrastructure development fees to fund municipal street improvements as a necessary component of growth.

Passed and adopted by the Township Board this <sup>th</sup> 4 day of March 2019.



Chris Kostik, Chairman



Karen Donovan, Clerk