

**Resolution #2016-16 (AMENDED)**

**To Approve Match for Calhoun County Land Bank Authority  
Michigan Blight Elimination Program**

**Background:** The City of Albion has partnered with the Calhoun County Treasurer and Calhoun County Land Bank Authority for over five years to coordinate revitalizing neighborhoods and strengthening our community through blight removal and demolitions.

The Calhoun County Land Bank Authority has advised that the 2016 demolition project is running over budget. In order to avoid eliminating a site, the City has been requested to increase their match of \$12,500 by an additional \$3,788.

The Calhoun County Land Bank Authority has also submitted a 2016 Michigan Blight Elimination Program Grant to the Michigan Land Bank seeking \$250,000 for the demolition of approximately 23 properties. The grant application deadline was February 8, 2016. If approved, the City of Albion's local match is \$16,288 to assist in the blight removal project.

**Finding:** The removal of blighted properties is critical to the health, safety and well-being of our community. The collaboration with the Calhoun County Treasurer and Calhoun County Land Bank Authority is a cost effective way to remove dangerous and blighted structures.

Council Member French moved, supported by Council Member Krause, to approve the following resolution.

**RESOLVED**, that the Albion City Council approves the allocation of \$16,288 as the local match for the current blight elimination program from the Solid Waste Fund, for the 2016 Michigan Blight Elimination Program Grant.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted on February 16, 2016, in a regular session of the Albion City Council, and this is a true copy of that resolution.

Ayes 6

Nays 0

Absent 1 (Barnes)

Jill Domingo  
Jill Domingo, Albion City Clerk