

RESOLUTION #13-16

TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION AS A PARTICIPATING PARTNER IN THE PROMISE ZONE INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, the Promise Zone Initiative is a Federal Program with a stated objective of assisting in the transformation of the most economically depressed regions within the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government intends to designate five regions as Promise Zone Regions in the United States each year for the next four years, said designations to last for a period of ten years from the date of designation; and

WHEREAS, the counties of Arenac, Clare, Gladwin, Iosco, Ogemaw, and Roscommon qualify and are eligible to apply and compete for said national designation; and

WHEREAS, Northern Transformation, which is an organization comprised of and represents the entities of the Eastern Michigan Council of Governments, Prima Civitas, and Michigan Works! Region 7B, which also includes the aforementioned six counties, intends to apply for designation as a Promise Zone Region; and

WHEREAS, one of the qualifying and competitive criteria for said application is the designation of Participating Partners, thereby increasing the potential positive regional impact of the Program; and

WHEREAS, designation as a Participating Partner within a designated Promise Zone Region provides said Partners an advantage when applying for Federal Aid and Grant assistance; and

WHEREAS, there are no costs associated with the Participating Partner designation, therefore designation as a Participating Partner derives a benefit without risk or obligation, which is unquestionably in the best interest of the City while promoting and advancing the objectives of the Federal Program while economically advancing the Promise Zone Region.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and City Council of the City of Standish hereby direct its City Staff to take the steps and actions required to be designated as a Participating Partner of the Northern Transformation initiative to apply for designation as a Promise Zone Region.

MOVED by Councilperson Koroleski and supported by Councilperson Cook.

YEAS: Koroleski, Couveau, Cook, Winslow

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ireland, Tunney, Macaulay

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Standish, County of Arenac and State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 18th day of November 2013, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Public Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required in the Act.

Dated: November 18, 2013



Peggy Burtch, Standish City Clerk