ORDINANCE NO. 2018-03 TOWN OF NASHVILLE INDIANA

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

WHEREAS, The Town Council of the Town of Nashville, Indiana recognizes the importance of eliminating conflicts of interest in the conduct of Town business;

WHEREAS, Conflicts of Interest are not only against State and Federal law and regulations, but are also detrimental to the Town's good reputation and the public's confidence in Town government;

WHEREAS, The Town Council also recognizes the value of the collaboration that occurs at special events and functions such as conferences, dinners and social outings in which members of the Town Council, Town officials and employees may be guests of one or more vendors or service providers that do business with the Town; and

WHEREAS, The Town Council wishes to fulfill both the letter and the spirit of State and Federal laws and regulations addressing potential conflicts of interest, and desires to establish a dollar threshold of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) below which any financial interest or value of any gratuity is not substantial, or the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal value.

IT IS NOW ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The dollar value of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) below which any financial interest or value of any gratuity is not substantial and may be accepted.
- 2. The Town Council of the Town of Nashville, Indiana establishes and adopts the following policy:

CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

This policy applies to all public officials of the Town of Nashville, elected or appointed; and to all employees of the Town of Nashville, Indiana.

No member of the Town Council, elected or appointed officer or official, or employee of the Town of Nashville, Indiana shall accept or solicit gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from consultants, lobbyists or potential consultants or lobbyists, or parties to subagreements, unless the gratuity or favor is in accordance with this policy. This prohibition does not include gratuities, favors, social gatherings, or anything of a monetary value of less than Three Hundred Dollars (\$300). Any financial interest under Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) shall be considered not substantial in accordance with applicable Federal Regulations.

This policy conforms to the standards set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and by the Indiana Department of Transportation. A "Consultant" is defined as an individual of firm providing engineering and design related services as a party to a contract with a recipient or sub-recipient of federal assistance.

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3. This policy shall be in full force and effect upon passage of this ordinance.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Nashville Town Council this <u>154h</u> day of <u>FEBRUARY</u> 2018.

Council Member Charles B. King	abstain
	abstain
	abstain
Compil/Member Arthur Omberg yea nay	abstain
	abstain

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer, Brenda K. Young