

**VIRGIN, UTAH**

**RESOLUTION No. 2025-M**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF VIRGIN ENCOURAGING WASHINGTON COUNTY TO  
IMPROVE SHEEP BRIDGE ROAD WITH PEDESTRAIN AND BICYCLING FACILITIES**

**WHEREAS**, Sheep Bridge Road is an unimproved gravel road in Virgin Town, Utah, connecting SR-59 and SR-9 (excluding a small portion from the bridge to SR-9), and

**WHEREAS**, BLM has designated camping sites and plans to have over 150 sites along Sheep Bridge Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the Jem trail, a popular mountain bike and pedestrian trail, crosses Sheep Bridge Road in several places; and

**WHEREAS**, Sheep Bridge Road crosses the popular Nature Conservancy Sheep Bridge Nature Preserve; and

**WHEREAS**, Sheep Bridge Road runs alongside the largest residential subdivision in Virgin; and

**WHEREAS**, Sheep Bridge Road is under the jurisdiction of Washington County, and

**WHEREAS**, Washington County has received Federal Aid funding through the State of Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) in the amount of \$4,875,960 to improve the roadway with asphalt paving in 2026, and

**WHEREAS**, Zion National Park is closing the tunnel to vehicles over 25' 9" in length and other large vehicles, trucks, and recreational vehicles in mid-2026; and

**WHEREAS**, most of these vehicles rerouted from Zion National Park will use Sheep Bridge Road thereby increasing the traffic and size of vehicles on Sheep Bridge Road and

**WHEREAS**, the road improvement will result in additional traffic, larger vehicles, and higher speeds, creating risks for campers, pedestrians, and cyclists, and

**WHEREAS**, it is the Town's understanding that a paved bike and pedestrian path along the planned paved road have been delayed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Virgin Town Council respectfully requests that Washington County add to the scope of the Sheep Bridge Road improvement project pedestrian and bicycle facilities, including paved paths on one or both sides of the

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roadway, to ensure the safety of residents and visitors alike who wish to walk and bike along the road.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of Virgin, Utah, this November day of 18, 2025.

## **VIRGIN, UTAH**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Jean Krause, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Krystal Percival, Town Clerk/Recorder

<u>Vote</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Jean Krause, Mayor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paul Luwe, Council Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mistie Baird, Council Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
April McKeon, Council Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Valerie Wenz, Council Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Jean Krause, Mayor Date

Paul Luwe, Council Member Date

Mistie Baird, Council Member Date

April McKeon, Council Member Date

Valerie Wenz, Council Member Date

RECORDED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025

PUBLISHED or POSTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

**CERTIFICATE OF PASSAGE AND PUBLICATION OR POSTING**

In accordance with Utah Code Annotated §63G-30-102 as amended, I, the Town Clerk/Recorder of Virgin, Utah, hereby certifies that the foregoing Ordinance was duly passed and published or posted via Class A Notice at:

- 1) Utah Public Notice website
- 2) Virgin Town website, [www.virgin.utah.gov](http://www.virgin.utah.gov)
- 3) Virgin Town Hall

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Krystal Percival, Town Clerk/Recorder  
Virgin Town, Utah