

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, ADOPTING A "PRIORITY GREENBELT TRAIL SYSTEM" AS ADDENDA TO THE ADOPTED GREENWAYS AND PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLANS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL VISIONING SPACE, PARKS, GREENWAYS, TRAILS, RECREATION, AND OTHER PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS , the City Council of the City of Norman established the Greenbelt Commission to advise the City Council on policies pertaining to the promotion , acquisition, maintenance , and improvement of the green spaces. greenways, and trail systems; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Master Plan was adopted by Resolution R-0910-70 on November 24, 2009, adopting parks, recreation, open space, and trail plans; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, the Greenways Master Plan was adopted by Resolution R-1112-119 on August 29, 2012, recommending implementation through acquisition of greenway corridors as the highest priority, embarking on an extensive trail development schedule of the next 10 years, developing strategies to work with private sector development and reviewing/updating the citywide greenways plan; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Transportation Plan was adopted by Resolution R-1314-112 on May 13, 2014, adopting Bicycle/Pedestrian and Sidewalk maps identifying certain routes for transportation purposes; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, a temporary 1/2% sales tax for 15 years was approved by voters on October 13, 2015, to provide funding to construct quality of life facilities; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, an update of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan is in progress ; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, these and other master plans, such as Stormwater, Water and Sewer, and floodplain programs propose to include common open space, pedestrian, bicycle, and trail systems;
- § 8. WHEREAS, cetlain segments of these elements either exist or are being constructed, but do not yet form a trail structure upon which to add smaller trails, to provide park access, and transportation systems; and
- § 9. WHEREAS, many of these trails are not likely to be provided through the private development process ; and

§ 10. WHEREAS, City Council has been unwilling to utilize eminent domain powers to acquire private property to establish a public trail system, and has preferred to work with private property owners when working toward such a purpose; and

§ 11. WHEREAS, achieving these adopted visions for the citizens of the City of Norman will require dedicated efforts of the City Council to establish priorities to initiate efforts, to coordinate efforts of others, and to facilitate opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

§ 12. THAT the "PRIORITY GREENBELT TRAIL SYSTEM" attached as Exhibit A be adopted as addenda to the Greenway and the Parks and Recreation Master Plans to provide additional visioning for development of priority trails upon which to build additional open space, parks, greenways, trails, recreation, and other public transportation facilities within the City of Norman.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk