

April 28, 2021

WHEREAS the development of a citywide transportation plan was recommended in the Transportation Equity Report “Resilient Dallas Strategy, 2018” and supported through Regional Transportation Council action in May of 2018; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas is committed to developing a comprehensive multimodal strategy that will respond to the challenges of the 21st Century; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas remains committed to community priorities and ongoing City initiatives to promote affordability, travel choice, safety, economic vitality, innovation, environment and equitable access to transportation; and

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2019, the City Council authorized a consultant contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., for the development of the Strategic Mobility Plan (SMP) by Resolution No. 19-0297; and

WHEREAS, the SMP driving principles align with the Dallas 365 Strategic Priorities: (1) Public Safety, (2) Mobility Solutions, Infrastructure, and Sustainability, (3) Economic and Neighborhood Vitality, (4) Human and Social Needs, (5) Quality of Life, Arts, and Culture and (6) Government Performance and Financial Management; and

WHEREAS, the SMP incorporates critical inputs such as the Comprehensive Environmental and Climate Action Plan, Resilient Dallas Strategy, Market Value Analysis, Comprehensive Housing Policy, Five-Year Economic Development Strategic Plan, Age-Friendly Dallas, and Equity Indicators; and

WHEREAS, the SMP preferred strategy is the result of a city-wide planning and outreach process that included public surveys, community workshops, targeted neighborhood meetings and focus groups; and

WHEREAS, the SMP is the result of feedback from engagement with advisory committees comprising of neighborhood and community representatives appointed by the City Council, and major institutional stakeholders and agencies that Dallas regularly collaborates with on transportation planning and implementation; and

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2020, City Council was briefed on the outreach results, preferred strategy and final deliverables of the SMP process; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas is increasingly utilizing data-driven decision-making, the SMP will serve as a mechanism to integrate performance-based planning into the City’s transportation investments and decision-making processes; and

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Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council hereby authorizes the adoption of the City of Dallas Strategic Mobility Plan (SMP) known as Connect Dallas.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager authorizes the Department of Transportation to coordinate with the other City Departments to develop initiatives and partnerships necessary to implement the actions and goals set forth in the SMP (subject to annual appropriations).

SECTION 3. That the SMP serves to inform and help prioritize projects for the five-year capital program and future transportation investments.

SECTION 4. That the Department of Transportation in collaboration with other City Departments, continue to prioritize multimodal transportation access in the form of pedestrian, bicycle and transit-supportive infrastructure using the Dallas Complete Streets Design Manual.

SECTION 5. That the City of Dallas align future Capital Improvement Programs to reflect the surveyed community's preferred strategy, with a focus on the following:

- Providing people with more choices in how they travel and with higher-quality multi-modal networks, especially for short trips.
- Strategically investing where the need is greatest.
- Connecting neighborhoods and jobs within Dallas.
- Constructing fewer new roadway lane miles, investing more in streetscapes, enhanced bus service along with rail transit, bike facilities, trails, sidewalks, safety improvements, and transportation demand management.
- Greater development around transit stops and on vacant or underutilized land in already developed areas to promote compact growth and transit-oriented development.

SECTION 6. That the Department of Transportation provide City Council with an annual progress report one year from the passing of this resolution and every year for the duration of the five-year plan, summarizing progress towards implementing the action plan and meeting the evaluation metrics within each of the six driving principles.

SECTION 7. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.

