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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE COMPREHENSIVE RIVERSIDE PACT PLAN AND ALL COMPONENTS INCLUDING PEDESTRIAN TARGET SAFEGUARDING, ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN, COMPLETE STREETS ORDINANCE, AND TRAILS MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2016, the Public Works Department submitted a grant proposal to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) to prepare a Citywide Active Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2018, the City Council authorized Public Works staff to submit a second grant proposal through the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to prepare a Pedestrian Target Safeguarding Plan; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2019 the City Council voted to approve the SCAG proposal and accept a grant award from SCAG in the amount of \$250,000 for the collaborative development of a combined Active Transportation and Pedestrian Target Safeguarding Plan; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2019 the City Council approved an appropriation of funds to further add the Trail Master Plan Update element as a fourth and final component of the strategic PACT Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Riverside PACT is the City of Riverside's first integrated active transportation and recreation planning effort combining streets, plazas, sidewalks, trails, and streetscape design and is made up of four key components; and

WHEREAS, the Pedestrian Target Safeguarding Plan is oriented towards areas of high pedestrian traffic, with the objective of providing residents and visitors with safe pedestrian spaces for gatherings, events, civic engagement, and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Active Transportation Plan aims to improve biking and walking connections and will be used by the Public Works Department as a roadmap for prioritizing and funding improvements; and

1 WHEREAS, the Complete Streets Ordinance is a document to be integrated into the Riverside
2 Municipal Code that will create design standards that are mindful of all roadway users, including
3 pedestrians, cyclists, transit users, and motorists; and

4 WHEREAS, the Trail Master Plan Update, overseen by the Parks & Recreation Department,
5 aims to create a connected urban and rural trail system to boost quality of life in Riverside; this plan
6 will envision the expansion of our existing trails system, and investments that can be made to improve
7 existing trails; and

8 WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Riverside PACT was developed with significant community
9 input, including both in person and virtual engagement, which included stakeholder meetings,
10 technical advisory, field audits, and broadcasts on RiversideTV, YouTube, Facebook Live and Zoom;
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12 WHEREAS, the Riverside PACT will qualify the City of Riverside for continued grant funding
13 of trails, bikeways and sidewalks; and

14 WHEREAS, the draft Comprehensive Riverside PACT was circulated online for public review
15 and comment; feedback from the public comment period has been integrated into the final document;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Riverside PACT was reviewed by the Mobility and
18 Infrastructure Committee on May 13, 2021 and recommended that the City Council adopt the
19 Riverside PACT; and

20 WHEREAS, the Trails Master Plan component of the Comprehensive Riverside PACT was
21 reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Commission on November 16, 2020; and

22 WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the matter and, based upon the facts and
23 information contained in the staff reports, administrative record, and written and oral testimony,
24 hereby finds that this resolution is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Sections 15004,(b)(2), 15061(b)(3),
25 and/or 15262 of the State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3,
26 because at this early level of analysis it is not possible to accurately analyze environmental impacts;
27 the City is not committing to a definite course of action; it can be seen that it will not result in a direct
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1 or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment nor have a significant impact
2 on the environment and it is not a project as defined in Section 15378.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Riverside,
4 California, as follows:

5 Section 1. Based on the above recitals and the information presented in the staff report,
6 the City Council hereby adopts the Comprehensive Riverside PACT as attached to the staff report,
7 which is comprised of the following components:

- 8 (a) Pedestrian Target Safeguarding Plan
- 9 (b) Active Transportation Plan
- 10 (c) Complete Streets Ordinance
- 11 (d) Trail Master Plan Update

12 Section 2: A copy of the Comprehensive Riverside PACT shall be kept on file with the
13 Public Works Department.

14 ADOPTED by the City Council this _____ day of _____, 2021.

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17 PATRICIA LOCK DAWSON
18 Mayor of the City of Riverside

19 Attest:

20 _____
21 DONESIA GAUSE
22 City Clerk of the City of Riverside

23 I, Donesia Gause, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the
24 foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the City Council of said City at
25 its meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2021, by the following vote, to wit:

26 Ayes:

27 Noes:

28 Absent:

Abstain:

1 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the
2 City of Riverside, California, this _____ day of _____, 2021.

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5 DONESIA GAUSE
6 City Clerk of the City of Riverside
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