

RESOLUTION NO. 2022 – 373

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2030 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

CP-10-21 and Wake BRT: Western Boulevard Corridor Study

WHEREAS, the purpose of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan is to provide policy guidance to elected and appointed officials, City staff, and the general public; and

WHEREAS, the amendments seek to adopt the Western Boulevard Corridor Study report and recommendations of the study related to the following sections of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan: Area Specific Guidance, Transportation Street Plan, and Transportation Planned Bicycle Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the amendments advance the Comprehensive Plan themes: Coordinating Land Use and Transportation, Managing Growth, Greenprint Raleigh-Sustainable Development, Economic Prosperity and Equity, Expanding Housing Choices, and Growing Successful Neighborhoods and Communities; and

WHEREAS, the amendments further the adopted goals and recommendations of the Equitable Development Around Transit plan and providing a transit-oriented framework to guide the future growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the amendments support the vision for the transformation of Western Boulevard corridor into a multimodal, walkable, well-connected, safe and vibrant transit corridor of the future; and

WHEREAS, the amendments enhance access and mobility around the Western Boulevard corridor with multimodal street design, street grid connectivity, and capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, the amendments provide a network of connected streets and bicycle networks bridging infrastructure gaps that will increase access into the BRT corridor and encourage more walking/biking trips, increased transit usage, and lower vehicle miles traveled (VMT); and

WHEREAS, the amendments identify catalytic sites that could support transit-oriented development opportunities with higher densities, mixed-uses and affordable housing options to support future growth around transit; and

WHEREAS, the amendments identify opportunities to enhance the quality of public realm along the TOD corridor and station nodes with well-connected multi-use paths, greenway trails, parks, plazas, and/or other usable open spaces; and

WHEREAS, the amendments encourage Green TOD design elements for development in ecologically sensitive areas to prioritize watershed health through sustainable building design, green stormwater infrastructure integration; and reliance on innovative and context-sensitive landscape and roadway designs that mitigate development impacts; and

WHEREAS, these amendments provide significant public benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, these amendments were reviewed and discussed with public input; and

WHEREAS, these amendments were reviewed and discussed by the Raleigh Planning Commission with modifications recommended and incorporated into the report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA,

Section 1. That the 2030 Comprehensive Plan be amended to include the amendments identified as CP-10-21 with the updated staff report attached.

Section 2. That this resolution is being adopted following a recommendation from the Raleigh City Planning Commission and a duly advertised public hearing of the Raleigh City Council held on June 7, 2022.

Section 3. That this resolution shall become effective five (5) days after adoption.

Adopted: June 7, 2022

Effective: June 12, 2022

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