RESOLUTION NO.:  R-2013-060

Endorsement, Support and Adoption of the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) Urban Bikeway Design Guide

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia’s Comprehensive Plan calls for the planning and development of safe and environmentally friendly transportation as well as emphasizing transportation choices, and,

WHEREAS, the South Carolina bicyclist fatality rate rose from 2.41 fatalities per million population in 2009 to 3.02 in 2010, ranking South Carolina as having the 4th highest state bicycle fatality rate in the nation, and,

WHEREAS the City of Columbia is strongly committed to improving travel conditions and travel choices for people of all abilities; and,

WHEREAS, bicycle and pedestrian projects and programs may be eligible for funding from various Federal aid programs; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia affirms that bicycle accommodations shall be an integral part of planning, design, construction, and operating activities, and will be included in the everyday operation of our transportation system; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia endorsed and supported the Complete Streets Policy on July 21, 2010, and directed City staff to, among other things, revise established regulations, polices and operating practices, as deemed appropriate and feasible, so that transportation systems are planned, designed, constructed and operated to make bicycling and pedestrian movements an integral part of the City’s transportation planning and programming while promoting safe operations for all users; and,

WHEREAS, City Council, pursuant to its endorsement and support of the Complete Streets Policy, directed city staff to immediately incorporate the “Complete Streets Concepts” into the neighborhood master planning and implementation process; and,

WHEREAS, City Council, pursuant to its endorsement and support of the Complete Streets Policy, directed the Public Works, Planning and Development Services Departments to begin implementing the “Complete Streets Concepts” process and procedure changes in all other transportation projects as soon as administratively possible; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council this 21st day of May, 2013 the City endorses and supports the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) Urban Bikeway Design Guide as follows:

1. The City of Columbia formally endorses the NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide through the National Association of City Transportation Officials, joining such cities as Charleston SC, Charlotte, NC, Alexandria VA, Atlanta, GA, Austin, TX, Memphis, TN, Washington, DC, Los Angeles, CA, New York, NY and Chicago, IL.


3. The City of Columbia shall include the NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide standards into all site plan, roadway design, parking design and all other processes that involve the design, construction, modifications, rebuilding, restriping or similar work of roads, streets, boulevards, alleys, lanes, bridges and other
transportation infrastructure within the City, and under the City's jurisdiction and/or control, as deemed appropriate and feasible.

Requested by:
Planning and Development Services
Engineering Services

Approved by:
City Manager

Approved as to form:
City Attorney

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MAYOR

ATTEST:
City Clerk

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