## CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS RESOLUTION NO. 2017-47

## AMENDED CITY-WIDE TRAILS PLAN

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS, APPROVING THE AMENDED CITY-WIDE TRAILS PLAN ORIGINALLY APPROVED AS THE CITY-WIDE TRAILS PLAN DATED OCTOBER 9, 2012 (RESOLUTION NO. 2013-05) AND AMENDED ON JULY 14, 2015 (RESOLUTION NO. 2015-31)

- WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs ("City Council") finds that Dripping Springs is a thriving locale with a steadily surging economy that serves as a commercial hub for the region in terms of goods and services offered to (and provided by) citizens of the area; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the City of Dripping Springs ("City") is a scenic, historic, and cultural community that increasingly draws new residents, businesses, and tourists who seek to enjoy the Hill Country ambiance and high quality of life; and
- WHEREAS, the Amended City-Wide Trails Plan addresses several pieces of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan 2014-2024 "Outdoor Recreational Facilities Priorities" highest priority, walking, biking, hiking trails; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds it to be in the public interest, and necessary for the public health, safety and welfare to provide for a comprehensive plan for trails; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that a revised City-Wide Trail Plan is essential to the development of a coherent, coordinated transportation infrastructure designed to handle future traffic loads through multi-modal options; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that an Amended City-Wide Trail Plan provides multi-modal transportation opportunities, serving a crucial function in the establishment of basic infrastructure to serve residential, commercial, recreational, and governmental purposes; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the planning of an Amended City-Wide Trails Plan is difficult in the face of numerous constraints, including existing development, limitations on funding, topography, environmental and conservation concerns, special interest groups, and the overlapping jurisdictions of multiple governmental agencies; and
- WHEREAS, in 2012, the City approved a City-Wide Trails Plan as a conceptual document to assist the City in its coordination with property owners and builders towards improved development planning to include public multi-modal trails; and

- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that an Amended City-Wide Trails Plan is a proposal encompassing *Rigid Flexibility* through which the City's goals are firm but the execution of those objectives is flexible; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that generally anticipated trail routes must be established in theory in order to provide rough guidance to developers, property owners and other government institutions, providing that any routes created by developers connect to the ingress and egress of the Amended City-Wide Trail Plan adjacent to the development, and create the connectivity necessary to facilitate multimodal transportation and recreation; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that, through the approval of an Amended City-Wide Trail Plan, the City Council is not committing itself to expending any public funds, to design any particular trails, or construct specific trails, in any certain location; and
- WHEREAS, in the course of approving an Amended City-Wide Trail Plan, the City Council is not approving the acquisition of property, commencing eminent domain, or otherwise impeding upon private property; and
- WHEREAS, the City Parks and Recreation Commission has recommended approval of the attached plan; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the revision of the attached Amended City-Wide Trail
  Plan has been subject to ample public notice and public hearings; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that revision of the attached Amended City-Wide Trail Plan is reasonable and necessary, and consistent with best interests of the people of Dripping Springs; and
- **WHEREAS,** the City Council has reviewed the attached plan and finds it reasonable and prudent.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs City, Texas, that:

- 1. The City Council hereby approves the Amended City-Wide Trails Plan dated May 16, 2017.
- 2. The City Council directs City staff to record the attached plan in the City's records.
- 3. The meeting at which this Resolution was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

PASSED & APPROVED this, the 16th day of May 2017, by a vote of 5 (ayes) to 0 (nays) to

## 0 (abstentions) of the City Council of Dripping Springs, Texas.

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS:

by:

Mayor Todd Purcell

ATTEST:

Deborah L. Loesch, Deputy City Secretary

Attachment "A"

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