RESOLUTION NO. R-2012-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATIONS OF THE CITY OF TYLER SIDEWALK EXTENSION PROJECT, FOR THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND COMMITTING MATCHING FUNDS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, has called for project nominations for the Transportation Enhancement (TE) program ending on November 16, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the TE program includes transportation-related activities that contribute to the livelihood of communities, promote the quality of the environment and enhance the aesthetics of roadways; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the TE program is to encourage diverse modes of travel, increase the community benefits to transportation investment, strengthen partnerships between State and local governments, and promote citizen involvement in transportation decisions; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation has federal funds available, in the form of 80% federal funding with 20% local matching funds, through the TE Program for the purpose of cities with transportation related projects; and

WHEREAS, all projects must demonstrate a relationship to the surface transportation system through either function or impact, go beyond standard transportation activities, and incorporate one of the 12 categories established for the TE program; and

WHEREAS, one of the categories established for the TE program is the provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tyler is committed to the City of Tyler Sidewalk Extension Project, which includes extending sidewalks on numerous roadways around the City of Tyler.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS:

PART 1: That the City Council hereby authorizes the submission of the City of Tyler Sidewalk Extension Project application for the Transportation Enhancement (TE) program, commits to provide 20 percent (20%) of the required project matching funds (estimated to be \$422,461), and respectfully requests funding for the project by the Texas Transportation Commission.

PART 2: That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 13th day of November, 2012.

BARBARA BASS, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:

APPROVED: