RESOLUTION NO. R-2015-32

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS, RATIFYING THE REVISED APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF TYLER LEGACY TRAILS PROJECT, FOR THE 2015 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND COMMITTING LOCAL 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 2015 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) ending on May 4, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the TAP program includes on and off-road trail facilities for pedestrian, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation; and

WHEREAS, the TAP program is particularly interested in those projects that reflect a high degree of collaboration and community consensus while directly contributing to the department's safety and connectivity goals; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation has federal funds available for eligible expenses, in the form of a maximum of 80% federal funding with a minimum of 20% local matching funds, through the TAP program for the purpose of nonurban cities with a population less than 200,000; and

WHEREAS, all projects must demonstrate an enhancement to pedestrian safety, access to or between existing community investments in bicycle and pedestrian facilities, public transportation or other mobility options, or propose a direct connection to important community destinations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tyler is committed to the City of Tyler Legacy Trails Project, which includes constructing new paved trails or widening existing paved trails for non-motorized use in 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 ratifies the submission of the City of Tyler Legacy Trails Project revised application for the 2015 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), commits to provide non-eligible funds (i.e. not reimbursable) plus 29 percent (29%) matching funds for construction and TxDOT administration costs (total City portion estimated to be \$2,220,000), and respectfully ratifies the requests for funding the project by the Texas Transportation Commission.

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

ADOPTED this 9th day of December, 2015.

MARTIN HEINES, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EBORAH G. PULLUM, ITY ATTORNEY