

RESOLUTION NO. A-\_\_\_\_\_

1           WHEREAS, the Planning Director, on behalf of the Parks and Recreation  
 2 Department and StarTran, has made application to amend the 2030 Lincoln-Lancaster County  
 3 Comprehensive Plan to adopt text and map changes to the Environmental Resources and Mobility  
 4 and Transportation Chapters as related to the multi-use trails and public transportation sections;  
 5 and

6           WHEREAS, the Lincoln City - Lancaster County Planning Commission has  
 7 recommended approval thereof.

8           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln,  
 9 Nebraska that the 2030 Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan be and the same is hereby  
 10 amended in the following manner:

11           1.       Amend the text in the first paragraph on page 60 under **Greenways and**  
 12 **Open Space: Salt Valley Heritage Greenway** to read as follows:

13                   *The Salt Valley Heritage Greenway would provide connectivity with current and future green*  
 14 *corridors that extend out from Lincoln such as the MoPac Trail corridor, Murdock Trail*  
 15 *corridor, Antelope Valley, Dietrich Bikeway, and ~~Antelope Creek~~ Billy Wolff Trail Corridor.*  
 16 *It would provide a destination for additional trails as Lincoln continues to grow.*

17           2.       Amend the Salt Valley Heritage Greenway & Future Countywide Trails map  
 18 on page 60 to show completed and planned trails since adoption of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan  
 19 including the completion of the Homestead Trail from approximately Saltillo Road south to the  
 20 County line, and the addition of a future trail loop from the terminus of the Murdock Trail through  
 21 Waverly as shown on Attachment "A".

22           3.       Amend the Multi-Use Trails & Bicycle Facilities Plan map on page 95 to show  
 23 completed trail facilities, future trail removals, and additional future trail facilities since the last  
 24 update to the 2030 Comprehensive Plan including the addition of a future trail connecting the

1 terminus of the Murdock Trail to the planned Waverly trail system as well as an additional trail loop  
2 in the Cardwell Branch Watershed as shown on Attachment “B”.

3 4. Amend the text on page 96 under **Strategies: Multi-Use Trails and Bicycle**  
4 **Facilities Standards for Existing Areas** to add the following strategy:

5 ♦ Develop an Activity/Trail Center that promotes active and healthy living:

6 5. Amend the text in the last paragraph on page 98 under **Public**  
7 **Transportation** to read as follows:

8 *To achieve viable long range transit service for the City of Lincoln and Lancaster*  
9 *County in the year 2030, a number of broad policies and actions are needed to*  
10 *guide successful implementation and expansion of public transit. These policies and*  
11 *action items are guided by ~~anticipated~~ approved recently*  
12 *~~initiated 2006 Transit Development Plan (TDP) Study. The TDP is the guide for near~~*  
13 *~~and mid-term transit planning for Upon completion, the study will be included by~~*  
14 *~~reference as a part of the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan. Included in the~~*  
15 *~~formulation of the Transit Development Plan (TDP) is will be a comprehensive~~*  
16 *~~operations analysis, near and long term transit service alternatives, updated service~~*  
17 *~~standards and policies, and management and funding options. The policy and action~~*  
18 *~~items anticipated from the TDP are:~~*

19 6. Amend the text on page 99 under **Balanced Transit System** to read as  
20 follows:

21 *Providing transit services throughout the city requires balancing the number of*  
22 *routes, the frequency of service, and the hours of service. ~~It is expected that the~~ The*  
23 *~~TDP should provide~~ provides a framework for monitoring and modifying transit*  
24 *~~services in response to changes in development patterns and user needs, and is~~*  
25 *~~based on adopted service standards and policies.~~*

26 7. Amend the text on page 99 under **Transit-Friendly Development** to read  
27 as follows:

28 *Effective public transportation service requires good pedestrian connections to and*  
29 *from transit stops, density of activities, and development designs supportive of*  
30 *transit riders. Pedestrian connections to transit must be direct and the sidewalk*  
31 *system must have continuity. Street crossings to transit stops must be safe.*  
32 *Productive transit service requires high-density land development patterns which*  
33 *link residential areas and employment, retail, and service centers. Development*  
34 *design needs to be transit friendly providing convenient access to transit services.*  
35 *~~The TDP should help recommend a system for transit review of new development~~*  
36 *~~designs. This would be important in ensuring that new development contain transit-~~*  
37 *~~oriented standards.~~*

38 8. Amend the text on page 99 under **Maximize Transit Connections When**  
39 **Structuring Routes** to read as follows:

1 As the city develops the need to serve additional populations and destinations will  
2 change and grow. StarTran routes should be modified to recognize this change in  
3 ridership and transit user needs. The TDP ~~should help~~ helps reallocate ~~explore~~  
4 ~~reallocating~~ less productive services to emerging activity centers and corridors.

5 9. Amend the text on page 99 under **Accommodate Transit When Designing**  
6 **Roadway Improvements** to read as follows:

7 Roadway design should consider the needs of public transit, including bus turnouts,  
8 sidewalk connections to transit stops, safe street crossings, street lighting for  
9 security, and bus stops and benches. ~~The TDP should address such transit related~~  
10 ~~amenities for both roadways and land use development.~~

11 10. Amend the text on page 99 under **Explore Regional and Commuter Transit**  
12 **Service Options** to read as follows:

13 Travel between Lincoln and regional destinations such as the Omaha metropolitan  
14 area will increase during the planning period. This travel will include routine  
15 commuter trips as well as other discretionary travel. Public transportation may  
16 support this travel using a variety of transit delivery options including various vehicle  
17 types and service configurations. Planning and improvements might be considered  
18 to help promote and support the possibility of commuter rail for Lincoln beyond  
19 2030. These strategies might include developing a multi-modal center in the  
20 Downtown area with immediate access to the existing rail service. ~~The TDP should~~  
21 ~~consider rail service and other transit modes to provide regional public~~  
22 ~~transportation services (particularly between Lincoln and Omaha) during the interim~~  
23 ~~and long term.~~

24 11. Amend the text on page 99 under **StarTran Transit Contract Service** to  
25 read as follows:

26 Contract transit services typically operate with a higher level of ridership productivity  
27 and generate greater revenues than do traditional fixed route services. ~~The TDP will~~  
28 ~~explore contract~~ Contract transit services funded by various local and federal  
29 government funds and rider fares need to abide by federal regulations and should  
30 be explored to the extent possible.

31 12. Amend the text on page 100 under **Park-and-Ride Opportunities** to read  
32 as follows:

33 Establishing park-and-ride locations along outlying areas of the community could  
34 support transit connections to the Downtown and other mixed use centers. As  
35 Lincoln grows and expands its urban boundary, trip numbers will increase. Shifting  
36 some automobile trips to transit can reduce traffic impacts within the existing  
37 community, reduce the cost of parking in the central core, and provide increased  
38 mobility options for both future and existing development. ~~The TDP should address~~  
39 provides future park-and-ride route concepts and other transit related services and  
40 enhancements.

1                   13.     Amend the text on page 100 under **Long Term Public Transportation**  
2     **Funding Approach** to read as follows:

3                   *Public funds and policies subsidize parking in the Downtown area against which*  
4                   *transit then competes. Transit funding is not seriously considered as a way to*  
5                   *provide mobility along congested travel corridors. There are significant fiscal,*  
6                   *neighborhood, and environmental impacts when those corridors are widened. The*  
7                   *long term strategy to enhance mobility through a wide range of alternative*  
8                   *transportation modes requires long term funding commitments for StarTran. ~~It is~~*  
9                   *~~expected that the~~ The TDP should address reviews potential funding sources and*  
10                  *alternatives that help support and increase StarTran's stability and viability during*  
11                  *the planning period and beyond. ~~The TDP also explores~~ should also help explore*  
12                  *organizational options, state enabling legislation, and state funding policies.*

13                  BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any other references in said plan which may be  
14     affected by the above-specified amendments be, and they hereby are amended to conform with  
15     such specific amendments.

Introduced by:

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Approved as to Form & Legality:

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City Attorney

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2008:  _____ Mayor
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