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BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT NO.)
11005, BY THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING,) RESOLUTION NO. R-12-0005
TO CLARIFY THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN)
THE TRANSPORTATION CHAPTER AND THE)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION)
LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN)

WHEREAS, the Director of Planning, wishes to amend the 2040 Lincoln/Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan to clarify the relationship between the Transportation Chapter and the Metropolitan Planning Organization Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP); and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Department recommends approval of Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. 11005, concluding that this is a clean-up amendment to clarify that the Transportation chapter of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan and the LRTP are two separate but compatible documents; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2011, the Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Commission held a public hearing regarding said amendments; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2011, the Lincoln-Lancaster Planning Commission agreed with the staff recommendation and voted to recommend approval of Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. 11005; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2012, the Board of Commissioners of Lancaster County conducted a public hearing, regarding said amendment; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2012, the Board of Commissioners of Lancaster County agreed with the Planning Commission and voted to approve the amendment, as seen in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated by this reference.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Lancaster

County, Nebraska that the 2040 Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan be amended as provided in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated by this reference.

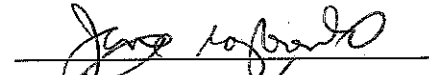
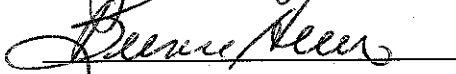



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any other references in said plan which may be affected by the above specified amendments be, and they hereby are, amended to conform to such specific amendment.

DATED this 24 day of January, 2012, at the County-City Building, Lincoln, Nebraska.

APPROVED AS TO FORM
this 24 day of
January, 2012.


Deputy County Attorney
for JOE KELLY
County Attorney

BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF LANCASTER
COUNTY, NEBRASKA

This has resulted in two separate documents that are related and consistent with each other, but meet different planning requirements. The Comprehensive Plan provides broad policy guidance for the City of Lincoln and Lancaster County on a multitude of topics including transportation, while the LRTP provides more detailed financial and project prioritization transportation information.

As this separation of the documents took place, a number of locations outside of the Transportation chapter where language also needed to be updated to properly reflect this separation were overlooked during the approval process of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan. These needed text changes are now identified and further detailed below.

ANALYSIS:

1. This is a proposal by the Planning Department to amend the 2040 Comprehensive Plan with the following text changes:

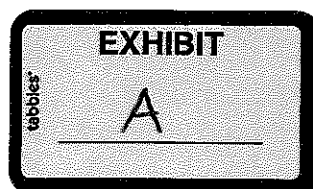
Credits Page: LPlan 2040 is the Lincoln-Lancaster County 2040 Comprehensive Plan and Long Range Transportation Plan. The Plan embodies Lincoln and Lancaster County's shared vision for the future, out to the year 2040. It outlines where, how and when the community intends to grow, how to preserve and enhance the things that make it special, and strategies for implementing the vision for how we will live, work, play and get around in the future. LPlan 2040 also meets the federal transportation planning requirements for the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

LPAC met from June of 2010 through June of 2011. During the same time period, broad input was sought from the community, as well as from City-County departments and numerous other agencies and organizations. The technical elements of the Long Range Transportation chapter Plan were developed with consulting assistance from LSA Associates, Inc.

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~~Serves as the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) for Lincoln and Lancaster County, together with the LRTP Technical Report in Appendix A. This chapter Examines examines multiple modes of travel and lays out the transportation vision to 2040 based on future land uses. This chapter is related to and consistent with the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO's) 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan, or LRTP.~~

Page 12.13: A companion document to the City's CIP, called the Transportation Improvement Program or TIP, is also prepared on an annual basis. This task is assigned to the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization, a policy making board comprised of representatives from local government and transportation authorities that reviews transportation issues and develops transportation plans and program for Lincoln and Lancaster County. The TIP gathers together in a single document those local, State and Federal



transportation capital projects proposed for the next four years. These include improvements for streets and highways, airports, railroad support facilities, trails, and public transit. Transportation projects must have a finding of substantial conformity to the Comprehensive Plan before they can be included in the TIP. The MPO's fiscally constrained Long Range Transportation Plan (~~the Transportation chapter of LPlan 2040~~) requires that all projects programmed must fall within the limits of funding that can be reasonably expected.

Lancaster County prepares an annual Road and Bridge Construction Program, commonly referred to as the "County 1 and 6 Program" because it includes the projects and programs for the first year and a more generalized list of projects going out 6 years in the future. The County 1 and 6 Program supports the projects identified on the Lancaster County Future Road Improvements map, which is a part of the MPO's Long Range Transportation Plan (~~"Transportation" chapter of LPlan 2040~~). This program identifies not only capital improvements but also maintenance projects such as grading and graveling of roads. Projects that us federal funding or are part of a regional system are included in the TIP.

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Plan Update Process

The Federal highway Administration (FHWA) requires that communities maintain a fiscally constrained Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) that is updated every 5 years and embodies at least a 20-year planning horizon in order to receive federal transportation funds. The Lincoln MPO's Lincoln & Lancaster County's 2040 LRTP is a companion to the Transportation chapter in the 2040 Comprehensive Plan can be found within this plan as the "Transportation" chapter and Technical Report in Appendix A. By the year 2015, the community will need to begin the process to update the LRTP, and potentially the Comprehensive Plan to meet federal requirements guidelines.

CONCLUSION:

The Planning Department recommends these text changes be made to ensure the Comprehensive Plan clearly distinguishes between the Transportation chapter of the Comprehensive Plan and the MPO's Long Range Transportation Plan. These are now separate documents that meet related but individual transportation planning needs.

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