

RESOLUTION NO. 13-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM-ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MASTER PLAN OF COMPLETE STREETS, SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF SAID PLAN, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATIVE TO THIS ACTION

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster desires to create a community that promotes long-term health, safety, economic viability, and sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the planning and implementation of active transportation infrastructure has been a vital part of this effort, including the adoption of the Master Plan of Trails and Bikeways in January 2012, the redesign of downtown Lancaster Boulevard (The BLVD) as a complete street in 2010, the installation of buffered and colored bicycle lanes, and the installation of pedestrian improvements; and

WHEREAS, staff has commenced work on developing an overall long-term plan for complete streets within the City that would seek to balance the needs of motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians with the goal of improving public health, safety, economic viability, and sustainability; and

WHEREAS, one component of developing this overall “Master Plan of Complete Streets” is utilizing the traffic model developed for the City’s General Plan effort to assist in determining and evaluating street design approaches that would meet the City’s long-term goals; and

WHEREAS, the City does not currently have such technical capability in-house; and

WHEREAS, the Southern California Association of Governments, through its Sustainability Program-Active Transportation provides, on a competitive basis, resources to assist member jurisdictions in development projects, programs, and plans that promote balanced transportation as a way to help meet the objectives identified in the adopted regional Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS); and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed Master Plan of Complete Streets is a planning effort that would assist in meeting the objectives of the regional SCS, as well as meet other long-term goals for the City as noted above;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER:

1. Authorizes the City Manager or his designee to make application for this assistance under the Southern California Association of Governments Sustainability Program - Active Transportation initiative; and
2. Further authorizes the City Manager or his designee to execute any documents necessary to undertake this action; and
3. Reiterates its support for and implementation of active transportation approaches, including complete streets, as evidenced by City programs and projects such as the redesign of The BLVD, adoption of the Master Plan of Trails and Bikeways, and the installation of various improvements for bicyclist and pedestrian use. and

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

GERI K. BRYAN, CMC
City Clerk
City of Lancaster

R. REX PARRIS
Mayor
City of Lancaster

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss
CITY OF LANCASTER)

CERTIFICATION OF RESOLUTION
CITY COUNCIL

I, _____, _____ City
of Lancaster, California, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original
Resolution No. 13-16, for which the original is on file in my office.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, on this
_____ day of _____, _____.

(seal)
