RESOLUTION NO. 11-10

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE COMPLETE STREETS PHILOSOPHY TO EXPAND TRANSPORTATION CHOICES IN EDMOND

WHEREAS, throughout the City of Edmond’s Vision Plan - Tomorrow's Edmond (1996) - the concern for provision of bicycle and pedestrian facilities that form networks of connectivity around our community is a common thread; and

WHEREAS, a transportation system conducive to walking, bicycling, and public transit, for all ages and abilities, reduces traffic congestion, improves public health, decreases air pollution, enhances economic vitality, provides a more livable community, and improves the overall quality of life for Edmond residents; and

WHEREAS, the Edmond Transportation Plan (2007) regards roadways as community facilities that must be developed and maintained to serve the entire community with careful consideration of impacts to neighborhood quality and integrity, pedestrian and bicycle mobility and safety, and community aesthetics and corridor quality; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with goals embodied in Edmond Plan IV (2007), the City intends to provide a full range of transportation facilities for pedestrian, cyclist, public transit, and vehicular modes that better support travel options, thereby reducing automobile dependence by encouraging fewer vehicular trips; and

WHEREAS, when and where physically and economically, feasible the Complete Streets philosophy supports the Transportation Goals and Policies of Chapter 5 Edmond Plan IV, the City of Edmond will strive to ensure that all users of our transportation system are able to travel safely and conveniently on all streets and roadways within the public right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets are defined as those that provide safe and convenient transportation facilities for all modes of travel, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit riders, and motorists, that are safe and accessible for users of all ages and mobility levels; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets reduce road congestion by providing safe travel choices that encourage alternative transportation options that serve to increase the overall capacity of the transportation network as well as decrease consumer transportation costs; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets enhance economic vitality by providing safe, convenient, and inviting pedestrian, bicycle, and public transit facilities that promote active public centers users of all ages and abilities, and generate a sense of place in and around retail districts and provide connection between places of residence to centers of recreation, retail, education, and places of work; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMOND THAT:

Street projects should be planned, designed, and operated, when physically and economically feasible, in accordance with our Edmond Transportation Plan (2007) or any plan adopted in the future, giving consideration to the accepted standards for Complete Streets, as outlined by the National Complete Streets Coalition, to provide for a balanced, responsible, and equitable way
to accommodate and ensure travel for pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transit riders of all ages and abilities amongst vehicular traffic.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMOND, OKLAHOMA, on this 24th day of May, 2010.

[Signature]
MAYOR

Attest:

[Signature]
City Clerk

APPROVED as to form this 24th day of May, 2010.

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CITY ATTORNEY