

ORDINANCE NO. 23 - \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CONNECTCOS MASTER  
TRANSPORTATION PLAN, THE CITY OF COLORADO  
SPRINGS 2023 INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the City's Intermodal Transportation Plan was adopted in April of 2001 as the City of Colorado Springs first Master Transportation Plan (2001 Plan); and

WHEREAS, the 2001 Plan has had several amendments since its adoption; and

WHEREAS, replacing the 2001 Plan with the updated ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan incorporating existing and planned major thoroughfares, bicycle facilities, pedestrian facilities, priority routes for trucks and enhanced transit routes would best serve the planning needs of the City; and

WHEREAS, the ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan supports the findings and recommendations of PlanCOS, the City's Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of City Council that the ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan be used to guide policy and decision-making to serve the City's existing and long-term transportation needs and to carry out the objectives, policies and strategies of PlanCOS and the City's Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Intermodal Transportation Plan is a citywide system plan as defined in City Code § 7.5.402; and

WHEREAS, Planning Commission reviewed ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan on February 8, 2023 and recommends approval; and

WHEREAS, Citizen Transportation Advisory Board (CTAB) reviewed ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan on January 3, 2023 and February 7, 2023 and recommends approval with the addition of Vision Zero principles within the document and revising the Central East-West Mobility Study to consider all multimodal options (transit, bike, pedestrians, micro-mobility) with specific direction to exclude cars and trucks; and

WHEREAS, replacement of the 2001 Plan with the ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan is necessary to facilitate good planning for the metropolitan area and is essential to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Colorado Springs; and

WHEREAS, the ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan contains greenhouse gas emission reduction projects and strategies supportive of the principles set forth in Colorado Senate Bill 21-264; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on February 28, 2023 approving the ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan with an amendment to Project #105 in Appendix A to keep the Mobility Study but to explicitly remove from it the study of the Constitution Avenue extension and encourage the evaluation of the Rock Island right of way for inclusion into our Parks system as a greenway.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. That the ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan is hereby adopted and replaces the 2001 Plan and subsequent amendments including Ordinance No. 02-118, Ordinance No. 02-120, Ordinance No. 02-132, Ordinance No. 04-28, Ordinance No. 04-172, Ordinance No. 04-176, Ordinance No. 05-196, Ordinance No. 09-118, and Ordinance No. 11-73.

Section 2. North Nevada Master Transportation Plan adopted by Ordinance 18-12 and COSBikes! Ordinance 18-33 is not replaced, remains in effect and is incorporated as part of the ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan.

Section 3. ConnectCOS Master Transportation Plan shall be considered an official planning document for the City. All land use applications filed with the City after the adoption of this ordinance and which require compliance with the City's Intermodal Transportation Plan shall be subject to the provisions of said plan.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by the Charter.

Section 5. Council deems it appropriate that this ordinance be published by title and summary prepared by the City Clerk and that this ordinance shall be available for inspection and acquisition in the Office of the City Clerk.

Introduced, read, passed on first reading and ordered published this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

Finally passed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Council President

**Mayor's Action:**

- Approved on \_\_\_\_\_.
- Disapproved on \_\_\_\_\_, based on the following objections:  
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Mayor

**Council Action After Disapproval:**

- Council did not act to override the Mayor's veto.
- Finally adopted on a vote of \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_.

□ Council action on \_\_\_\_\_ failed to override the Mayor's veto.

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Council President

ATTEST:

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Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk