

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_-16

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE SOUTH ACADEMY  
ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY ZONE ACTION PLAN FOR  
STRATEGIC PLANNING PURPOSES

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 16-31 City Council adopted an Infill Comprehensive Plan Supplement (the “Infill Chapter”) as an element of the City’s Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Infill Chapter supports efforts to revitalize arterial corridors such as Academy Boulevard, as an important infill priority; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 28-16 City Council endorsed the use and maintenance of an Infill Action Plan to further support implementation of the Infill Chapter; and

WHEREAS, the Infill Action Plan recommends strategies specific to promoting infill and redevelopment in Economic Opportunity Zones (“EOZs”) including Academy Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, the City’s adopted 2016-2020 Strategic Plan also contains specific strategy direction to support infill and redevelopment in EOZs; and

WHEREAS, in May of 2011, City Council adopted the Academy Boulevard Corridor Great Streets Plan (“Great Streets Plan”) as an element of the City’s Comprehensive Plan (Ordinance No.11-74); and

WHEREAS, in late 2013 and early 2014, an Academy Boulevard Task Force prepared and recommended a South Academy Economic Opportunity Zone Action Plan report for the South Academy Boulevard EOZ (“South Academy Action Plan”) in part to further the strategic implementation of the Great Streets Plan; and

WHEREAS, the South Academy Action Plan was presented to the Mayor and City Council in February and March of 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission considered and recommended adoption of this Action Plan at their April 21, 2016 meeting; and

WHEREAS, City Council now desires to more formally acknowledge and accept this South Academy Action Plan for strategic planning and implementation purposes consistent with the overall policy direction of the City.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:**

Section 1. The above and foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference and are adopted as findings and determinations of the City Council.

Section 2. City Council hereby finds that the South Academy Action Plan (attached and incorporated as “Exhibit 1”) should be used as a guide for strategic direction in furthering implementation of the City’s infill and redevelopment goals for the South Academy Boulevard corridor.

Section 3. City Council hereby adopts the South Academy Action Plan and directs that the South Academy Action Plan be used as appropriate in the review and consideration, consistent with Sections 7.5.408, 7.5.501 and 7.5.502 of the City Code, of Master Plans, concept plans and development plans for properties located in the South Academy EOZ as that area is defined in the South Academy Action Plan.

Section 4. City Council further directs that the recommendations in the South Academy Action Plan are to be used holistically and as policy guidance and should not be intended to limit or constrain the Executive or Legislative branches with respect to ultimate decisions and actions.

DATED at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2016.

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Council President

ATTEST:

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Sarah Johnson, City Clerk