

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR FUNDING A FULL
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE IN 2015

WHEREAS, the City Council is required by City Code to "...make the final decision about annexations, master plans and major master plan amendments, amendments to the Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Map, establishment or changes of zone district boundaries, appeals of Planning Commission and City staff decisions, amendments to the text of (the) Zoning Code and approval of the terms and conditions of development agreements"; and

WHEREAS, in order to make appropriate decisions relating to land use matters, the City Council relies on the City's Comprehensive Plan, which was most recently adopted in 2001 and updated annually until 2010; and

WHEREAS, the City's 2014 budget, proposed by the Mayor and approved by City Council, identified funding of \$150,000 within the Land Use Review Division as a capital outlay project expenditure to fund a consultant to begin updating the City's Comprehensive Plan, with the understanding that continued funding in future years would be necessary to complete the update; and

WHEREAS, City Council's 2014 strategic plan identified the Comprehensive Plan update as a priority, despite limited revenue and many other high-priority funding requirements, as a result of significant recent changes in the City's development environment due to the recent economic downturn and recovery, potential changes in the use of the Banning Lewis Ranch property, and trends relating to infill development, annexations, and enclaves.

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

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Colorado Springs finds that it is in the City's interest to fund a complete update of the City's Comprehensive Plan during 2015 and hereby requests that the Mayor include funding necessary for the completion of a full Comprehensive Plan update in the 2015 City budget.

Section 2. The Clerk of the City of Colorado Springs shall transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Mayor.

DATED at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this _____ day of _____, 2014.

Keith King, Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

