

RESOLUTION HONORING THE LEGACY OF MAPS 3, EXPRESSING GRATITUDE TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD AND ITS SUBCOMMITTEES, DISSOLVING THE BOARD AND SUBCOMMITTEES AND TRANSITIONING ANY REMAINING TASKS.

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma City Metropolitan Area Projects (“MAPS”) initiative has a storied history of transformative projects that have enhanced Oklahoma City’s quality of life and sparked a renaissance that is known around the world; and

WHEREAS, the MAPS initiative originated in Oklahoma City in 1993 with the successful passage and eventual implementation of MAPS 1, a groundbreaking program that dramatically improved the city’s quality of life, revitalized the City's downtown area, and established a culture of public investment that endures to this day; and

WHEREAS, building upon the success of MAPS 1, Oklahoma City continued its commitment to progress with the approval of MAPS for Kids in 2001, focusing on improving public education infrastructure in Oklahoma City Public Schools and throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, the culmination of these efforts led to the development of MAPS 3, which was approved by 54.3 percent of the voters on December 8, 2009; and

WHEREAS, MAPS 3 was originally envisioned with a budget of \$777 million, and the MAPS 3 tax collection would last from April 2010 to December 2017; and

WHEREAS, the foresight and leadership of Mayor Mick Cornett, alongside the City Council members who supported MAPS 3, including Gary Marrs, Sam Bowman, Pete White, Larry McAtee, Meg Salyer, Skip Kelley and Pat Ryan, were instrumental in advancing this initiative; and

WHEREAS, the support of the Greater Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce was crucial in the passage of the MAPS 3 initiative in 2009, with such efforts being led by Chairman David Thompson and President & CEO Roy Williams and their board and staff; and

WHEREAS, the dedication and expertise of the MAPS 3 Citizens Advisory Board and its subcommittee members have been invaluable in guiding the planning, implementation, and oversight of the various projects throughout their development; and

WHEREAS, the MAPS 3 Citizens Advisory Board was seated in 2010 and consisted through the years of Chair Tom McDaniel, Dee Morales, Susan J. Hooper, Michael Dover, Kimberly Lowe, Zane Boatright, Michael G. Adams, Nathaniel Harding, Wayne Williams, Gloria Griffin, Cecilia Robinson-Woods, Rusty LaForge and Bob Nelon; and

WHEREAS, Tom McDaniel, as Chair of MAPS 3, has demonstrated exemplary leadership, vision and selfless dedication, and deserves unique recognition and a lasting tribute to his legacy in our city; and

WHEREAS, the exceptional contributions of City Managers Jim Couch and Craig Freeman, MAPS Directors Eric Wenger and David Todd, and dozens of city staffers and outside consultants have played a critical role in the successful implementation of MAPS 3 projects; and

WHEREAS, the MAPS 3 program consisted of eight transformative projects aimed at enhancing Oklahoma City's quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Scissortail Park, comprising both Upper Park (opened 2019) and Lower Park (opened 2022), has become a centerpiece of Oklahoma City's downtown, providing residents and visitors with expansive green space and recreational opportunities; and we extend our gratitude to the subcommittee members who diligently worked on this project, and those subcommittee

members included Kimberly Lowe (Chair), Michael Dover (Vice Chair), Bill Cameron, Kari Watkins, Anthony McDermid, Teresa Rose, Miles Tolbert, Desmond Mason, Fred Hall, Rusty LaForge, Maureen Heffernan, Jane Jayroe Gamble, J. Michelle Martin-Coyne, and Debi Bocar; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma City Convention Center, opened in 2021, has become a premier venue for conventions, conferences, and events, contributing to the City's economic growth and vitality; and we extend our gratitude to the subcommittee members who diligently worked on this project, and those subcommittee members included Tom McDaniel (Chair), Susan J. Hooper (Vice Chair), Mike Carrier, Larry Nichols, Russell Perry, Avis Scaramucci, John Williams, Roy Williams, Gary Marrs, and Mayor Kirk Humphreys; and

WHEREAS, the OKC Streetcar, completed in 2018, has transformed transportation in downtown Oklahoma City, providing residents and visitors with a convenient and sustainable mode of circulation through our downtown; and we extend our gratitude to the subcommittee members who diligently worked on this project, and those subcommittee members included Nathaniel Harding (Chair), Zane Boatright (Vice Chair), Stan Hupfeld, Debbie Blackburn, Jeff Bezdek, A.J. Winters III, Jane Jenkins, Stephen Mason, Jill Adler, Cliff Hudson, David Remy, and Mark Gibbs; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Health and Wellness Centers, including No. 1 (completed 2017), No. 2 (completed 2018), No. 3 (completed 2023), and No. 4 (completed 2024), have improved access to health and wellness services for seniors across the City; and we extend our gratitude to the subcommittee members who diligently worked on this project, and those subcommittee members included Michael Dover (Chair), Cecilia Robinson-Woods (Vice Chair), Blair Schoeb, Mike Grady, Valerie Thompson, Sam Bowman, Kenyon Morgan, Terri Watkins, Larry Weatherford, Wayne Williams, Gloria Griffin, Alice Musser, Connie Baker, Pat Fennell, and Zora Brown; and

WHEREAS, the Trails, including West River Trail (completed 2015), Will Rogers Trail (completed 2018), and Draper Trail (completed 2019), have expanded recreational opportunities and connectivity throughout Oklahoma City's trail system; and we extend our gratitude to the subcommittee members who diligently worked on this project, and those subcommittee members included Susan Hooper (Chair), Zane Boatright (Vice Chair), Georgie Rasco, Hal McKnight, T. Scott Buxton, Brent Gaddis, Joshua Harlow, Russell Pace, and Pam Henry; and

WHEREAS, the Sidewalks project, an ongoing effort, has enhanced pedestrian safety and accessibility across Oklahoma City, promoting active lifestyles and community engagement; and we extend our gratitude to the subcommittee members who diligently worked on this project, and those subcommittee members included Susan Hooper (Chair), Zane Boatright (Vice Chair), Russell Pace, Georgie Rasco, Hal McKnight, T. Scott Buxton, Brent Gaddis, Joshua Harlow, and Pam Henry; and

WHEREAS, Riversport Rapids, completed in 2016, has established Oklahoma City as a premier destination for whitewater rafting and outdoor adventure; and we extend our gratitude to the subcommittee members who diligently worked on this project, and those subcommittee members included Dee Morales (Chair), Michael Adams (Vice Chair), Mike Knopp, Martha Burger, Alan Marcum, Chris Reen, Juliana Deligans, Brian Dougherty, Joseph Clytus, Gena Timberman, and Mayor Ronald J. Norick; and

WHEREAS, the Bennett Event Center at the OKC Fairgrounds, completed in 2017, has provided a state-of-the-art venue for exhibitions, trade shows, and events, further bolstering Oklahoma City's reputation as a vibrant and dynamic city; and we extend our gratitude to the subcommittee members who diligently worked on this project, and those subcommittee members included Bob Nelon (Chair), (preceded by Rusty LaForge), Dee Morales (Vice Chair), Tim O'Toole, J. Blake Wade, Mike Turpen, Chris Turner, Eric Roberts, Madeline Mitchell, Shawn Clark, Ann Simank, and Bud Marshall, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, MAPS 3 opened its last major stand-alone project in May 2024, and in recognition of the conclusion of MAPS 3, it is fitting to dissolve the MAPS 3 Citizens Advisory Board and its subcommittees, acknowledging their dedicated service and contributions to the community; and

WHEREAS, the transition of any remaining tasks and responsibilities that may arise related to the MAPS 3 initiative shall be delegated to the MAPS 4 Citizens Advisory Board, ensuring continuity and continued progress in meeting the evolving needs of the Oklahoma City community, and these potential remaining tasks and responsibilities include but are not limited to any actions necessary to complete projects that have already opened, the completion of the Union Station project within Scissortail Park, the completion of the MAPS 4 State Fair Coliseum that MAPS 3 contributed resources toward, and the spending of any remaining funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of The City of Oklahoma City hereby:

1. Expresses its profound gratitude to all individuals involved in the planning, implementation, and oversight of MAPS 3 projects for their unwavering dedication and commitment to enhancing the city's future; and
2. Recognizes Mayor Mick Cornett and the Council members who developed and supported MAPS 3 in 2009, for their visionary leadership and foresight in championing initiatives that have positively impacted the community; and
3. Expresses gratitude to the voters and taxpayers of Oklahoma City for their trust and commitment; and
4. Commends the MAPS 3 Citizens Advisory Board, including Chairman Tom McDaniel, Dee Morales, Susan J. Hooper, Michael Dover, Kimberly Lowe, Zane Boatright, Michael G. Adams, Nathaniel Harding, Wayne Williams, Gloria Griffin, Cecilia Robinson-Woods, Rusty LaForge and Bob Nelon, as well as the aforementioned subcommittee members, for their tireless efforts and invaluable contributions towards the successful completion of MAPS 3 projects; and
5. Acknowledges and applauds Jim Couch, Craig Freeman, Eric Wenger, David Todd, and the collective City staff team for their exceptional leadership and dedication in bringing the vision of MAPS 3 to fruition; and
6. Acknowledges and thanks all the operating partners, architects, and engineers who took the MAPS 3 projects from vision to reality; and
7. Honors Tom McDaniel, as the 14-year Chair of MAPS 3, for his exemplary leadership and vision, with a lasting tribute to be named in his honor, symbolizing his enduring legacy within the MAPS initiative, and directs that the lake at Scissortail Park be named “Lake Tom McDaniel” with appropriate future usages to also include “Lake McDaniel”, with appropriate signage designating it as such, including explanatory text that communicates Tom McDaniel’s civic role in MAPS 3, to be installed at the lake as soon as is practical; and
8. Celebrates the completion and opening of each MAPS 3 project as significant milestones in Oklahoma City's continued growth and development, enriching the lives of its residents and visitors alike; and
9. Dissolves the MAPS 3 Citizens Advisory Board and its subcommittees with heartfelt appreciation for their dedicated service and commitment to advancing the goals of the MAPS initiative; and
10. Transitions any remaining tasks and responsibilities that may arise related to the MAPS 3 initiative to the MAPS 4 Citizens Advisory Board, ensuring the continued progress and success of future projects aimed at enhancing the Oklahoma City community, and reaffirms the longstanding commitment that any remaining MAPS 3 funds shall be expended only on MAPS 3 projects as defined in the original resolution passed by City Council in 2009; and
11. Finds that items 1-8 of this resolution are effective immediately, and items 9-10 are effective July 1, 2024.

ADOPTED by the Council and **SIGNED** by the Mayor of The City of Oklahoma City this
18th day of June 2024.

ATTEST:

Amy K Simpson
City Clerk



David Holt
MAYOR

REVIEWED for form and legality.

Craig Keith
Deputy Municipal Counselor