

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**ENTITLED: “A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE *VAN BUREN AVENUE CORRIDOR PLAN*.”**

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming State Statutes §18-5-201 to 18-5-208 authorize Laramie County, in the promotion of public health, safety, morals, and general welfare of the county, to regulate the use of land in unincorporated Laramie County; and

**WHEREAS**, Van Buren Avenue between Dell Range and Lincolnway is classified as a Major Collector, with jurisdictional responsibility by both the City of Cheyenne and Laramie County; and

**WHEREAS**, Van Buren Avenue between Dell Range and Lincolnway is a corridor that varies in width and currently carries between roughly 1,200 and 2,500 vehicles a day, which is expected to significantly increase by 2045; and

**WHEREAS**, some section of Van Buren Avenue lack curb, gutter or sidewalk, while other locations have worn out pavement, cracked drains, broken and heaving sidewalks, or poor drainage; and

**WHEREAS**, rapid development on the east side of Cheyenne creates the need to address current issues and plan the future streetscape of Van Buren Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cheyenne Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) retained Y2 Consultants on October 10, 2022, to develop the *Van Buren Avenue Corridor Plan*; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Van Buren Avenue Corridor Plan* identified and addressed roadway deficiencies, traffic safety problems, traffic volume growth, multimodal needs, drainage constraints, and aligned roadway functionality and character with existing and planned land uses and desired character; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Van Buren Avenue Corridor Plan* and resulting preliminary design provides the City of Cheyenne, Laramie County, and future developers adjacent to the corridor with a strategy of investments to meet the transportation and utility needs along the corridor into the future; and

**WHEREAS**, public involvement for the project consisted of two public meetings, January 25, 2023 and June 1, 2023, to gather feedback on issues and recommendations; and

**WHEREAS**, the plan was developed with the assistance and guidance of a Project Steering Committee, and presentations to the MPO’s Citizen and Technical Advisory Committees during the plan’s development; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Van Buren Avenue Corridor Study* recommends a future plan that provide guidance for development of the corridor with respect for future land uses; and

**WHEREAS**, the MPO Citizens Advisory and Technical Committees reviewed the *Van Buren Avenue Corridor Plan* and recommended adoption by the MPO Policy Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Laramie County Planning Commission held a public hearing on October 16, 2023, and accepted public comments.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING:**

**THAT**, the Board of Commissioners adopts the “*Van Buren Avenue Corridor Plan*.”

**THAT**, the “*Van Buren Avenue Corridor Plan*” amends the Cheyenne Area Master Transportation Plan.

**THAT**, this resolution shall become effective after its passage and approval.

**FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the *“Van Buren Avenue Corridor Plan”* will be used as guidance for the future design and reconstruction of Van Buren Avenue between Dell Range and Lincolnway.

**PRESENTED, READ, AND ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.**

**LARAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Troy Thompson, Chairman

(Seal)

ATTEST:

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Debra K. Lee, Laramie County Clerk

Reviewed and approved as to form:

  
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Laramie County Attorney’s Office