RESOLUTION NO. 22-210

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE *BLUFFS TOMORROW: 2030 PLAN (COMPREHENSIVE PLAN),* SPECIFICALLY BY UPDATING CHAPTER 7-PARKS, RECREATION AND NATURAL FEATURES.

WHEREAS, On September 22, 2014, the Council Bluffs City Council approved Resolution No. 14-254 which adopted the *Bluffs Tomorrow: 2030 Plan* as the City's Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, The Parks and Recreation Department recently collaborated with the Community Development Department to update Chapter 7 – Parks, Recreations, and Natural Features, of the Bluffs Tomorrow: 2030 Comprehensive Plan to ensure closer alignment between the Bluffs Tomorrow: 2030 Comprehensive Plan and the direction of the Parks and Recreation Department and the proposed updates were reviewed and approval was recommended by the City's Parks and Recreation Commission to City Council on March 8, 2022; and

WHEREAS, The framework and vision of Chapter 7 has remained the same; however the update is focused on effectively managing parks, open space and natural features, while providing community based recreation and access to parks for everyone. The updated Chapter has five sections, as follows:

A. The Missouri Riverfront, which discusses the importance of the river to the City and increasing public access to it. The River's Edge Development is also highlighted as a key aspect of the riverfront.
B. The Parks System, which identifies the parks, monuments, and landmarks in the City as well as non-city open space and parks. An updated Future Parks Map shows potential locations for new parks in the City and within our two-mile extraterritorial jurisdictional limit.
C. The Trail System, which discusses the reinvestment need to our existing trail system, as well as, trail amenities such as corridors and trail stop parks. An updated Future Trails Map is included in Chapter 7.
D. Recreation and Events, which highlights the City's approach to recreation and the partners we have within our community.
E. Natural Features and Open Space, which identifies the key natural areas within and near the City. Also included in the narrative is the use of pollinators within parks and the importance of developing a natural resources and features master plan; and

WHEREAS, The Community Development Department and the Parks and Recreation Department recommend approval to update Chapter 7-Parks, Recreation, and Natural Features of the Bluffs Tomorrow: 2030 Comprehensive Plan, as shown in Attachment "A".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

The request to amend the Bluffs Tomorrow: 2030 Plan (Comprehensive Plan) by updating Chapter 7-Parks, Recreation and Natural Features as shown in Attachment "A", and subject to the comments stated above, is hereby approved.

ADOPTED
AND August 22, 2022.
APPROVED

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MATTHEW J. WALSH Mayor

Attest: _____
JODI QUAKENBUSH City Clerk