

**RESOLUTION NO. 6,
SERIES 1999**

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE *DOWNTOWN LOUISVILLE FRAMEWORK PLAN* AS AN AMENDMENT AND UPDATE TO THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, WHICH DOWNTOWN FRAMEWORK PLAN APPLIES TO AN AREA GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS THE DOWNTOWN AREAS ZONED C-C (COMMERCIAL COMMUNITY) AND C-B (COMMERCIAL BUSINESS) AND SURROUNDING RESIDENTIAL INFLUENCE AREAS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DEPICTED ON EXHIBIT 'B' ATTACHED HERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Louisville has adopted a Comprehensive Plan under the authority of C.R.S. §31-23-201 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Louisville initiated this amendment to the Comprehensive Plan, consistent with §17.64.020; and

WHEREAS, the Louisville downtown area is a unique part of the City that necessitates unique policies and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Louisville downtown area has experienced changes in conditions both from within the area and through external changes that affect the area and therefore justify the consideration of an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the existing Comprehensive Plan does not adequately address present and future issues that may arise in the downtown area, including parking constraints, traffic congestion, potential loss of historic resources, and potential loss of traditional downtown character and scale; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the *Downtown Louisville Framework Plan* is to promote the health, safety, convenience, order, prosperity and welfare of present and future inhabitants of Louisville and patrons of downtown Louisville by preserving and enhancing downtown character; by lessening congestion in the streets and roads; by maintaining adequate solar access; by promoting good civic design and arrangement; and by preventing undue burden on the provision of public services downtown that might otherwise occur in the absence of this amendment to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Louisville City Council appointed a citizen Steering Committee to work with the City in developing said Plan for the Louisville downtown area; and

WHEREAS, the Steering Committee in conjunction with City Staff and a consultant held several public workshops to solicit community input on the desired character for the Louisville downtown area and the role of the downtown area within the greater community; and

WHEREAS, the Steering Committee has forwarded the *Downtown Louisville Framework Plan* as its recommended policy document for the Louisville downtown area; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing as required by law and reviewed and made comments on the *Downtown Louisville Framework Plan* that included additional language and items within said plan for prioritization to City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission did not have the necessary two-thirds vote of the full membership of the Commission as required by §17.64.030 to formally recommend approval of the amendment, with four of the seven Commission members voting in favor and none against; and

WHEREAS, the City Staff has reviewed the proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments and finds them to be consistent with the goals, policies and intent of the existing Comprehensive Plan and consistent with the criteria for amendments to the Comprehensive Plan listed in §17.64.070 of the Louisville Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, no downtown-related amendment to the Comprehensive Plan has been reviewed by City Council in several years; and

WHEREAS, after a duly noticed public hearing, a two-thirds majority of the full membership of the Louisville City Council finds that the *Downtown Louisville Framework Plan* should be approved as an amendment and update to the City's Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Louisville, Colorado:

Section 1: The City Council hereby confirms and incorporates the foregoing recitals into this Resolution as findings of fact.

Section 2: The *Downtown Louisville Framework Plan*, dated 2 March 1999, and the accompanying appendices, maps, illustrations and exhibits are hereby adopted by reference and approved as an amendment and update to the City of Louisville Comprehensive Plan. A complete copy of such Plan is attached hereto as Exhibit 'A' and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 3: The *Downtown Louisville Framework Plan* applies to areas generally described as the Downtown areas that are presently zoned C-C (Commercial Community) and C-B (Commercial Business), and surrounding residential influence areas, as more particularly depicted on Exhibit 'B', attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of March 1999.

BY: _____
Tom Davidson, Mayor
City of Louisville, Colorado

ATTEST:

Dave Clabots, City Clerk