Resolution No. ____________

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TRAIL LOCATIONS AND POLICIES

WHEREAS, the City or North Liberty adopted the North Liberty Trails Network Plan on August 25, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the City maintains a network of off-street trails that have been expanded and refined since 2009; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to formalize refined locations and specifications for trails within the corporate limits and planned growth areas; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the following trails locations and specifications are hereby adopted by the City of North Liberty:

Trails Defined
The term “trail” is defined for reference within this resolution as a wide sidewalk or shared use path intended for use by pedestrians, bicyclists, skaters, runners and others.

The Trail Corridors Network
The North Liberty Trails Corridor Network is established as Exhibit A. This network of approximately 26.5 miles provides good connectivity throughout the City to important destinations while minimizing future maintenance costs for the City. It takes advantage of existing infrastructure in identifying a robust looped network can be developed with relatively few new connections and built upon as development and redevelopment occurs. It provides a backbone network for citizens of North Liberty to enjoy family outings and to save gasoline by making some pleasure trips and chores attainable without an automobile.

The trails corridor network map is a planning document that identifies general locations, and can be thought of as a “corridor map.”

Trail Network Widths
Trails identified in the trail corridors network shall be constructed eight feet in width except in the following situations when they will be built to a minimum ten feet in width:

- When a trail alignment is a shared use path proposed for funding under one or more state or federal program administered by the Iowa DOT, or
- When a trail alignment is a shared use path serving as a major connector to a neighboring jurisdiction.
Trails Maintenance
City maintenance of trails on the trails network includes snow removal and repair and replacement of the trail surface. Adjacent property owners are required to mow the grass within the right-of-way between the property line and the street curb.

Collector Street Sidewalk Widths
Sidewalk standards for streets identified as “collector” streets in the North Liberty Major Street Plan but not part of the Trails Network shall include a four foot wide sidewalk on one side of the street and a six foot wide sidewalk on the other. No City maintenance is provided for these facilities. These six foot sidewalks are not part of the trails corridor network, but reference is included in this resolution for clarification.

Adopted at North Liberty, Iowa, this _____ day of ________, 2013.

CITY OF NORTH LIBERTY

By: __________________________________________
    Thomas A. Salm, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tracey Mulcahey, City Clerk