

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO PEOPLE FOR BIKES FOR THE BIG JUMP PROJECT; ENCOURAGING THE USE OF BICYCLES FOR TRANSPORTATION AND RECREATION AND SUPPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND PUBLIC AWARENESS TO ENHANCE BICYCLE SAFETY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, City staff and local cycling supporters recommend submitting a grant application to The Big Jump Project by PeopleForBikes Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, and PeopleForBikes Coalition, a non-profit 501(c)(6) organization, which could provide the City with funding, technical advice, study tours, training and peer exchanges to help increase bike ridership and safety initiatives, with a value of up to \$750,000 (\$250,000.00 per year for a total of three years); and

WHEREAS, the City of Key West ("City") is compact, flat and has great weather that makes it perfect for biking and where the use of the bicycle as a principal mode of transportation is well established; and

WHEREAS, to preserve and protect our island, the City Commission supports and encourages the increased use of bicycling, benefiting all

citizens and improving our quality of life by reducing greenhouse gases, reducing traffic and parking congestion, decreasing the use of and dependence upon finite energy sources, and fostering exercise and improved health; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that ability to get around safely by bicycle promotes tourism and the ability of local businesses to reach more customers; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to build a network of safe, convenient and comfortable places to ride bicycles, connecting people to where they live, work and play and foster a culture where it is ordinary for people of all ages and abilities to ride bikes; and

WHEREAS, numerous organizations and businesses throughout the City support the City's efforts at encouraging more people to bike and bike more often and support the City's application for The Big Jump; and

WHEREAS, with nearly 3 million visitors each year who can rediscover the joys of biking in our island community, Key West provides a unique locale that offers a prime opportunity to share bike-friendly concepts and facilities developed through The Big Jump project with the residents of countless cities; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to submit an application to People for Bikes for The Big Jump project, to complement grant funding and a partnership already in place, with South Florida Commuter Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That an application to The Big Jump Project is hereby authorized, seeking financial and technical support over three years, with a total value of up to \$750,000.

Section 2: That the City Commission encourages the use of bicycles for transportation and recreation, and seeks to continue improving City infrastructure and public awareness to encourage and enhance the safe use of bicycles

Section 3: That the City Manager is authorized to execute any necessary documents upon advice and consent of the City Attorney.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission  
on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

Filed with the Clerk on \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

Mayor Craig Cates	_____
Vice Mayor Clayton Lopez	_____
Commissioner Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Richard Payne	_____
Commissioner Margaret Romero	_____
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	_____
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	_____

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CRAIG CATES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK