

# PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver  
Proclamation CP11-0619

## Supporting the Denver Region's application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program

Introduced by Council President Nevitt

**WHEREAS**, on June 16, 2009, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced the Partnership for Sustainable Communities (the Partnership) to coordinate federal housing, transportation, water, and other infrastructure investments to make neighborhoods more prosperous, allow people to live closer to jobs, save households time and money, and reduce pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Partnership is governed by the following Livability Principles: provide more transportation choice; promote equitable, affordable housing; enhance economic competitiveness; support existing communities; coordinate policies and leverage investment; and value communities and neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, the Denver Regional Council of Governments' Board of Directors adopted a resolution on August 17, 2011 affirming its support for the Partnership and agreeing to integrate the Livability Principles into ongoing and future Metro Vision discussions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Partnership recognizes the need to support metropolitan scale, multi-jurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation and infrastructure investments; and

**WHEREAS**, HUD recently announced that it will award \$67 million in grants as part of the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Denver Regional Council of Governments is facilitating a region-wide discussion with a wide range of stakeholders to develop a regional application to this grant program; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant funding would support 1) efforts to fine-tune the Metro Vision Plan to more fully integrate the federal Livability Principles; and, 2) the preparation of more detailed execution plans and programs that further Metro Vision goals; and

**WHEREAS**, the City & County of Denver is a strong and committed member of the Denver Regional Council of Governments and is duly proud of the region's long history of collaborative action on matters of regional concern for the collective betterment of the region as a whole.

**NOW THEREFORE,  
BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:**

**Section 1.** That the Council of the City & County of Denver strongly supports submittal of the Denver region's application for the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grants Program by the Denver Regional Council of Governments and commits to continue working collaboratively with the Denver Regional Council of Governments and stakeholders from across the region to refine and implement Metro Vision to achieve the outcomes envisioned in the Federal Livability Principles.

**Section 2.** That the Clerk of the City and County of Denver shall attest and affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL August 29, 2011

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PRESIDENT