RESOLUTION NO. 2026-154

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A VISION FOR GREEN TAPESTRY ROUTES ALONG SELECT SECONDARY ROADS

WHEREAS, the City of Pomona recognizes the need for a comprehensive Parks Master Plan to guide future park planning and investment, with the Open Space Network Component of the City's General Plan providing an existing framework for advancing these efforts;

WHEREAS, the Open Space Network Component of the City's General Plan calls for "streetscape enhancements which will enhance the connectivity/continuity of the [open space] network," proposes various "Secondary Corridor and Other Streets" as part of this network and goals and policies advocating for these streetscape enhancements;

WHEREAS, the City's General Plan includes goals and policies that promote a "comprehensive and integrated network of parks and open space, within ¼ mile radius of all neighborhoods;"

WHEREAS, land use changes and transportation improvements since the adoption of the General Plan, along with detailed analyses of network opportunities reveal a modified and expanded integrated network of parks and open space;

WHEREAS, the Planning Division, within the Department of Development Services has identified and continues to refine corridor changes in response to these opportunities through the Citywide Complete Streets planning efforts;

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has developed a Pomona Safety Action Plan, adopted on April 20, 2026;

WHEREAS, the City is developing a linear park along portions of San Jose Creek, and identified the potential of similar corridors along portions of San Antonio and Thompson Creeks;

WHEREAS, the Mobility & Access Component of the City's General Plan outlines multiple goals and policies that prioritize pedestrian comfort, active transportation, traffic calming, streetscape, landscape and intersection improvements that "accommodate safe alternative transportation modes," "increase the freedom of movement for Pomona's residents and reduce reliance on the automobile," and "Develop beautiful, livable, safe, and multi-modal streets that are flattering to the City's identity;"

WHEREAS, the City's ongoing efforts in land use, parks and open space planning, complete streets, transportation safety, active transportation, trails, and urban greening present an opportunity to advance these efforts in a coordinated and comprehensive manner, creating stronger

connections among neighborhoods, parks, open spaces, community destinations, and multimodal transportation corridors;

WHEREAS, the Green Tapestry provides a framework for advancing these interconnected efforts through a network of park-like streets and corridors where pedestrians and people using other bicycles, scooters, skateboards, wheelchairs, and other human-powered or electric mobility devices, share the public right-of-way with motor vehicle traffic or have access to dedicated multi-use paths traversing public property;

WHEREAS, the Green Tapestry concept is consistent in principle with the City's roadway safety and Complete Streets efforts and can support these efforts;

WHEREAS, the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) has established design criteria for All Ages and Abilities for High Comfort Bicycle Facilities, incorporating vehicle speeds of under 25 MPH;

WHEREAS, All Ages and Abilities criteria are designed to meet the needs of all people using the roadway using all methods of transportation, including children, seniors, women, people of color, people with lower-incomes, and people with disabilities, who are traveling with or without a motor vehicle;

WHEREAS, NACTO states: "The All Ages & Abilities criteria is a national and international best practice that should be adopted for all bicycle facility design and network implementation;"

WHEREAS, the City's motto "Vibrant. Safe. Beautiful." calls for the design of streets which are consistent with this vision.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pomona as follows:

SECTION 1. The City designates all routes identified in Attachment A as Green Tapestry Streets and Green Tapestry Stream Channels.

SECTION 2. The City describes Green Tapestry corridors as characterized by park-like environments with trees and greenery that promote comfortable and safe places for people to walk, bike, roll, gather and interact, while minimizing the speed and extent of vehicles.

SECTION 3. It is the intention of this resolution that Green Tapestry corridors are designed to the performance standards outlined in Attachment B. It is recognized that the Green Tapestry designs must be context-specific and that a "one size fits all" approach is not feasible, given variations in public right-of-way width, site conditions, applicable laws, funding opportunities, and community needs. However, designs should strive to achieve these standards.

SECTION 4. The City Council directs the City Manager to pursue the designation of portions of Green Tapestry corridors as park land at the time of their development to standards described in Section 3. Alternative administrative frameworks may also be evaluated, that still achieve the standard of park-like environments, maintained by the City.

SECTION 5. The city will integrate this Green Tapestry vision into future planning, capital improvement projects, roadway and infrastructure improvements, development, grant opportunities, partnerships, and other City efforts, as appropriate, including future updates of the City's General Plan and/or the Pomona Zoning and Development Code.

SECTION 6. The City recognizes that its planning, transportation, parks, and roadway safety efforts are ongoing and evolving, and that the Green Tapestry vision is intended to be refined over time as additional analysis, community input, funding opportunities, and implementation experience inform future planning.

SECTION 7. This policy is intended to guide future development of these Green Tapestry corridors in the City. However, in case of any inconsistency or conflict between the provisions of this policy and the Municipal Code, or development ordinances at the time of implementation, the adopted codes and ordinances shall supersede and prevail.

SECTION 8. CEQA Determination. The City Council finds that this Resolution is not subject to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, pursuant to (Guidelines) Section 15061(b)(3) as the resolution establishes a vision for green tapestry routes along select secondary roads and there are no proposed physical changes to the environment at this time. Any future changes to roads will be evaluated for environmental impacts prior to construction.

SECTION 8. Severability. If any provision of this resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this resolution that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this resolution are severable. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this resolution irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion thereof.

SECTION 9. Effective Date. The City Clerk shall attest and certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution, and it shall thereupon be in full force and effect upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of November, 2026.

CITY OF POMONA:

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Tim Sandoval
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Sonia Carvalho
City Attorney

ATTEST:

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Karla Shipman, CMC
City Clerk

I, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Pomona at a regular meeting thereof held on November 16, 2026, by the following vote of the Council:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

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Diana Robles, CMC
Deputy City Clerk