RESOLUTION NO. 16-01

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE FOR THE CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT, MISSOURI.

WHEREAS, the City of Lee's Summit has been working with Jackson County and other municipalities along the rail corridor for purposes of purchasing the inactive Rock Island Railroad (RIRR) corridor from Union Pacific for future development of a recreational hiking/biking trail/ transportation corridor; and,

WHEREAS, Jackson County announced a purchase agreement has been reached with Union Pacific Railroad, to buy the RIRR Corridor; and,

WHEREAS, the City seeks to provide a reliable system to convey fact based information to concerned residents and stakeholders; and,

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2015, the City Council voted unanimously for staff to bring forward a Resolution establishing the Rock Island Railroad Communication Committee; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT as follows:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Committee shall be known as the "Rock Island Railroad (RIRR) Committee."

SECTION 2. PURPOSE. To establish a link between key stakeholders and governmental agencies as it relates to the acquisition of the RIRR Corridor in the City of Lee's Summit.

SECTION 3. DUTIES. The Rock Island Railroad Communication Committee shall have the following duties:

- The RIRR Committee shall gather information from governmental agencies that control key decisions and funding regarding the acquisition, planning and use of the RIRR Corridor
- Create opportunities for stakeholder input
- Report findings of stakeholders input directly to City Council for appropriate action
- Share information that assists stakeholders to understand potential impact to their interests

SECTION 4. COMPOSITION. The Rock Island Railroad Communication Committee shall consist of nine (9) members. One (1) member submitted from each councilmember and one (1) member submitted by the Mayor, and shall be chosen by February 4, 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-01

SECTION 5. MISCELLANEOUS. That the following shall apply:

- 1. Members shall serve through the completion of their duties.
- 2. Members shall serve without compensation. Once the Committees objectives have been reached and presented to the City Council the Committee will cease to exist unless otherwise requested and directed by the City Council.
- 3. Meetings of the RIRR Communication Committee shall be open to the public and shall be conducted pursuant to Missouri Sunshine Law, RSMo 610.010 et seq.
- 4. The City Manager shall be directed and authorized by the Mayor and City Council to provide the necessary resources to the RIRR Communication Committee so that they may accomplish their assigned duties.

SECTION 6. FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from the date of its adoption.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, this 7th day of January, 2016.

Mayor Randall L. Rhoads

ATTEST:

City Clerk Denise R. Chisum

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ćity Attorney Brian W. Head