

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A COMMUTER BICYCLE LANE
ALONG JACKSON BOULEVARD**

WHEREAS, Jackson Boulevard (SD 44) is scheduled to be rebuilt from Mountain View Road to Chapel Lane by the South Dakota Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, Jackson Boulevard is a major link between the west and south parts of Rapid City and the rest of the City; and

WHEREAS, according to 2007 figures, 11,000 vehicles per day use Jackson Boulevard west of Sheridan Lake Road, and 21,000 vehicles per day use Jackson Boulevard east of Sheridan Lake Road; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the South Dakota Department of Transportation that the reconstruction of Jackson Boulevard will result in a viable thoroughfare for the next 60 years; and

WHEREAS, there is increasing interest in the community for commuter bicycle travel; and

WHEREAS, the inclusion of a commuter bicycle lane in the reconstruction of Jackson Boulevard would result in reduced reliance on fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, the inclusion of a commuter bicycle lane would encourage the adoption of a healthier lifestyle by the citizens of Rapid City; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a commuter bicycle lane in conjunction with the reconstruction of Jackson Boulevard is the most cost effective means of providing the lane; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Rapid City finds that it is in the best interests of the City of Rapid City that a commuter bicycle lane be constructed along Jackson Boulevard during its reconstruction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Rapid City hereby supports the construction of a commuter bicycle lane along Jackson Boulevard during its reconstruction by the South Dakota Department of Transportation.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 2008.

THE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor

ATTEST:

Finance Officer
(SEAL)

