RESOLUTION NO. 1852

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF GOLDEN BICYCLE MASTER PLAN UPDATE TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the City of Golden Bicycle Master Plan describes the City of Golden's vision for bicycle route development in the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Golden's goal with respect to bicycles is to provide a high quality and safe bicycle system for a wide diversity of users including family oriented recreational riders, commuters, and advanced athletes; and

WHEREAS, further improving the effectiveness and safety of the City's system of bicycle routes can help improve the health and safety of our residents, make it easier for citizens to incorporate healthy physical activities into their daily travel routines, increase the use of bicycles by students traveling to and from school, provide a viable transportation option for many residents of Golden and those employed in Golden, improve mobility for residents who cannot or prefer not to drive, decrease the costs associated with the construction and maintenance of roads and parking facilities, improve the viability of our downtown and other parts of town, and provide for improved high quality recreation; and

WHEREAS, an effective Bicycle Master Plan can support the goals of the City of Golden's Sustainability Initiative, especially the goals related to reducing vehicle miles traveled and to energy use; and

WHEREAS, the City of Golden Bicycle Master Plan was adopted in 2003, and we are currently at the midpoint of this ten-year plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is about to undertake what could be a major revision of the 10-year Capital Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, Council would like to encourage some new and innovative ideas and input from citizens.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO:

Section 1. The purpose of this Task Force is to: a) review the City of Golden Bicycle Master Plan; b) assess any conditions that have changed since the Plan was adopted in 2003, including progress made in completing the improvements identified in the Plan; c) provide specific recommendations to the Golden City Council and staff identifying any recommended updates to the Plan; and d) provide specific recommendations to the Golden City Council and staff for the 2009-2018 Capital Improvement Plan that will make it easier for citizens of all ages to bicycle for recreation and for transportation.

Section 2. The Task Force will prepare and submit a report to the City Council clearly identifying their recommendations with respect to updating the City of Golden Bicycle Master Plan and the Capital Improvement Plan.
Section 3. In considering updates to the City of Golden Bicycle Master Plan, the Task Force will look first to the ability of students to bike to school, secondly toward bicycling as a general transportation option and thirdly for recreation. The Task Force will consider the recommendations in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, the Downtown Area Improvement Plan, the Comprehensive Plan, and the completed Neighborhood Plans. The Task Force will make a good faith effort to ensure that its recommendations are consistent with those of these other plans, and will identify in its final report any significant inconsistencies.

Section 4. The Task Force will hold all of its meetings in public with advance public notice and have an extensive public comment and participation component.

Section 5. The City Manager will provide appropriate staff support for this task force and City Council will provide a supplement appropriation of $10,000 for necessary engineering and other consulting services as authorized by the City Manager.

Section 6. The Task Force will submit its report, including its recommendations, to City Council on Thursday, September 18, 2008, and City Council will hold a formal public hearing and consider adoption of the recommendations at its regular business meeting on Thursday, September 25, 2008.

Section 7. This Task Force will terminate after the City Council meeting on September 25, 2008.

Section 8. This Task Force will consist of seven members who are citizens, business owners, students, property owners or employees of businesses with the City of Golden.

Section 9. In forming the Bicycle Master Plan Update Task Force, City Council desires to encourage participation from people who have traditionally not been active on City boards or commissions. City Council also desires to have a geographic and demographic diversity. To meet these objectives, City Council will appoint Task Force members in the following manner:

a. The openings on the Task Force will be advertised by the City in its usual manner.
b. City Council members will also encourage applications from people who they know to have an interest.
c. The people desiring to serve on the Task Force will submit to the City Clerk an application for appointment to the Task Force. The deadline for submitting these applications will be established by the City Clerk. Copies of these written applications will be given to all of City Council.
d. The Mayor, with City Council approval, will appoint to the Task Force seven at-large community members. It is desired that the Task Force members will demonstrate both knowledge and interest in the topic of bicycling. In making the appointments, the Mayor and City Council shall strive to appoint at least one member from each Ward and otherwise achieve geographic and demographic diversity.

Adopted this 10th day of April, 2008.
I, Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of Golden, Colorado, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a certain Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Golden, Colorado at a rescheduled regular business meeting thereof held on the 10th day of April, A.D., 2008.