RESOLUTION 2015-14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS FOR THE SR 96 EAST PEDESTRIAN FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Franklin (City) has determined that certain pedestrian facility improvements are necessary on SR-96 East from Pinkerton Park to Mack Hatcher Parkway; and

WHEREAS, these improvements are generally described as the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the north side of SR- 96 East (Project); and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary for the City to obtain right-of-way and/or easements from landowners for the construction of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen expressly finds that the City has the power of eminent domain to extend public roads, <u>see</u> T.C.A. §29-17-301 *et seq.*, and to acquire Rights-of-Way and Easements necessary for proper completion of the said Project, and that the acquisition of such Rights-of-Way and/or Easements is for a public purpose and for a public use, and that the acquisition of the private property hereinafter described is necessary to accomplish said public use.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE, that the City Engineer and/or City Attorney are authorized to obtain the necessary rights-of-way, permanent easements and/or temporary easements across the properties listed in **Exhibit A** hereto and may enter into agreements with property owners with respect to the compensation to be paid for the said rights-of-way and easements, so long as such amounts are reasonable, within the project budget and supported by a qualified appraisal.

The City Engineer and City Attorney are authorized to continue negotiating with any landowner for the acquisition of the rights-of-way and/or easements without resort to condemnation. However, if an impasse is reached with a property owner and condemnation is the only alternative, then the City Attorney, or his/her designee, is authorized to commence necessary condemnation proceedings. After condemnation proceedings have commenced, the City Engineer and/or City Attorney are authorized to enter into settlement agreements with property owners with respect to the compensation to be paid for the said rights-of-way and easements, so long as such amounts are reasonable, within the project budget and supported by a qualified appraisal.

IT IS SO RESOLVED AND DO	NE on this the day of, 2015.
ATTEST:	CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE
By:	By:
ERIC S. STUCKEY	DR. KEN MOORE
City Administrator/Recorder	Mayor

Approved As To Form By:
Shauna R. Billingsley
City Attorney