## RESOLUTION NO. \_2020-12-068R

## A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE URBANA KICKAPOO RAIL TRAIL EXTENSION STUDY

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana is authorized cooperate with other units of local government, including but not limited to the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC) pursuant to Section 10 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 and the Illinois Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the staff of the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC) applied for a Statewide Planning and Research (SPR) grant through the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and received funding to develop the Urbana Kickapoo Rail Trail Extension Study; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana has worked with staff from the Champaign County
Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC), a steering committee, and a stakeholder committee to
produce the Urbana Kickapoo Rail Trail Extension Study that documents existing conditions and
public input to develop a final alternative; and

WHEREAS, the Urbana City Council and Mayor set a priority goal between 2018 and 2021 to expand the connectivity of the Kickapoo Rail Trail with a focus between Vine Street and Lincoln Avenue; and

WHEREAS, extending the Kickapoo Rail Trail through Urbana will improve transportation, create placemaking opportunities, enhance businesses and neighborhoods, and improve access to parks; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana will continue to work with the Urbana Park District, Champaign County Forest Preserve District, Champaign County Regional Planning Commission, and other stakeholders on efforts to extend the Kickapoo Rail Trail in Urbana.

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

That the 2020 Urbana Kickapoo Rail Trail Extension Study be and is hereby accepted as a guide to extending the Kickapoo Rail Trail west from its current terminus to Lincoln Avenue.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 14th day of December, 2020.

**AYES:** 

Brown, Colbrook, Hursey, Miller, Roberts, Wu

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 15th day of \_

cember 2020

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor