

**RESOLUTION  
SUPPORTING THE IMAGINE KANNAPOLIS STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS**

WHEREAS, The past decade has seen dramatic changes in the City of Kannapolis: the establishment of the North Carolina Research Campus, significant highs and lows to the local economy, the severe and long-lasting impacts of Covid-19 and the transformational positive changes in the City's Downtown; and

WHEREAS, the outcome of the Kannapolis City Council's 2021 Virtual Retreat was determined to be valuable in many ways, but it lacked the comprehensiveness that is now needed in developing a new vision for the future of Kannapolis; and

WHEREAS, to develop and implement this new vision for the City, the crafting of a new Strategic Plan is proposed; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty and responsibility of the Kannapolis City Council to develop plans and strategies to facilitate the future prosperity of the City; and

WHEREAS, "Imagine Kannapolis" is proposed as the working name for the proposed Strategic Plan and Process; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Imagine Kannapolis Planning Process is expected to involve numerous meetings spread over approximately nine months, including various avenues of participation by the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council does hereby fully support the proposed Imagine Kannapolis Strategic Planning Process and Timeline as described in the documents attached to this Resolution; and further, City Council pledges to commit the necessary time and attention to, and active participation in, the Strategic Planning Process with the collective goal of achieving the most effective outcomes possible.

Adopted the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.

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Milton D. Hinnant  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Bridgette Bell, MMC, NCCMC  
City Clerk