

**RESOLUTION No. 31, 2014**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALPARAISO, INDIANA, APPROVING THE VALPONEXT VISION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the City of Valparaiso, Indiana, by and through its Mayor, Common Council, Clerk-Treasurer, and City Staff (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “City”) is committed to, and strives to advance, the City in an open and collaborative way; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the foregoing commitment, in 2013, the City initiated a community-driven process known as “ValpoNEXT” in order to prepare a long-term vision plan for the City that encompassed many aspects of community life; and

WHEREAS, a Steering Committee was selected to facilitate the ValpoNEXT process; and

WHEREAS, during the course of the last approximately eighteen (18) months over eight hundred and eighty (880) individuals/stakeholders have volunteered their time and efforts to ValpoNEXT; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these efforts the ValpoNEXT Vision Plan was drafted. The ValpoNEXT Vision Plan is hereby incorporated into this Resolution and attached as *Exhibit “A”*; and

WHEREAS, the ValpoNEXT Vision Plan contains nine (9) initiative areas organizing forty-three (43) actions consisting of projects, programs or policies that will advance the City and community; and

WHEREAS, the ValpoNEXT Vision Plan captures the aspirations and goals of a proud and forward-thinking City; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City has carefully reviewed and considered the ValpoNEXT Vision Plan and is desirous of adopting this Resolution in order to formally approve the Agenda.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Valparaiso, Indiana, as follows:

1. The Common Council of the City of Valparaiso, Indiana, hereby approves the ValpoNEXT Vision Plan as the long-term vision plan for the City.
2. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and signing by the Mayor.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Valparaiso, Porter County, Indiana, by a \_\_\_\_\_ vote of all members present and voting this 8th day of December, 2014.

**[SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW]**

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Sharon Emerson Swihart, Clerk-Treasurer