

FILE OF THE CITY CLERK

ADMINISTRATION RESOLUTION NO. 27-2014

INTRODUCED – MAY 27, 2014

ADOPTED BY COUNCIL – MAY 27, 2014

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER ADOPTING A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY TO BETTER INTEGRATE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY INTO THE DAILY LIVES OF THOSE WHO LIVE IN AND VISIT THE CITY OF LANCASTER THROUGH AN INCREASED EMPHASIS ON ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION MODES WHICH WILL CONTRIBUTE TO IMPROVED HEALTH, REDUCED TRAFFIC CONGESTION, IMPROVED AIR QUALITY, REDUCED EMISSIONS OF GREENHOUSE GASES AND MORE ECONOMICALLY VIBRANT COMMUNITIES.

WHEREAS, “Complete Streets” are streets that are safe and convenient for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation riders and motor vehicle drivers of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster recognizes that streets are a key factor in the way people experience the public realm and play a vital role in promoting economic development, public safety, health and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the design and function of our streets has often favored the motorist over the needs and safety of other users of the transportation network, particularly pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users and persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster is committed to providing increased mobility choices and improved safety for all its residents, as embodied in the goals and policies of Lancaster’s Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, investments in pedestrian, bicycle and transit infrastructure will help promote “active transportation” and bring physical activity into the daily lives of the citizens of the City of Lancaster which will improve their health, reduce the incidence of diseases related to inactivity such as obesity and heart attacks and improve air quality and limit greenhouse gas emissions by reducing traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster seeks to create an interconnected network of transportation facilities that accommodate all modes of travel in a manner consistent with the community context and goals and that incorporate green infrastructure measures, where appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Lancaster, that the City of Lancaster hereby commits to a Complete Streets Policy that will incorporate Complete Streets into the planning, design and operation of all future municipal street, sidewalk,

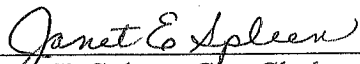
trail and other transportation projects, whether new construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or pavement maintenance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City staff are directed to review and update, as needed, language in the City of Lancaster Comprehensive Plan, SALDO, zoning ordinance, other codes, to incorporate the intent of this Complete Streets Resolution as set forth in the Municipality Complete Streets Policy available from the Lancaster County Planning Commission, which shall be effective immediately upon the enactment.



J. Richard Gray, Mayor

ATTEST:


Janet E. Spleen, City Clerk