

CITY OF PORTAGE

RESOLUTION OF THE PORTAGE CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF THE COMPLETE STREETS POLICY

Minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Portage, Michigan held on August 11, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. local time at the City Hall in the City of Portage, Michigan.

PRESENT: Ansari, Ford, Pearson, Randall, Reid, Strazdas, Urban

ABSENT: None.

The following resolution was offered by:

Councilmember: Pearson, and supported by:

Councilmember: Reid.

WHEREAS, Complete Streets are defined as a design framework that enables safe and convenient access for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, and drivers of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Legislature has passed Complete Streets legislation that requires the Michigan Department of Transportation and local governments to consider all users in transportation related projects; and

WHEREAS, a complete streets policy provides guidance for the planning, design, and (re)construction of roadways and/or an interconnected network of transportation facilities that promotes complete streets: and

WHEREAS, increasing walking and bicycling offers improved health benefits for the population and makes the City of Portage a more livable community; and

WHEREAS, complete streets enhance safe walking and bicycling options for school-age children, in recognition of the national Safe Routes to Schools program; and

WHEREAS, complete streets support economic growth and community stability by providing accessible and efficient connections between neighborhoods, schools, places of

employment, recreational areas, and commercial establishments by improving pedestrian and vehicular mobility throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portage recognizes the importance of complete street infrastructure improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Portage supports the Complete Streets Policy for use by the City of Portage in the planning design, and (re)construction of public infrastructure improvements.

ADOPTED: 7 to 0

AYES: Councilmember Ansari, Ford, Pearson, Randall, Reid, Strazdas, Urban

NAYS: Councilmember None.

ABSENT: Councilmember None.

James R. Hudson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, James R. Hudson, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed and acting City Clerk of the City of Portage, Michigan, and that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City of Portage on the 11th day of August, 2015.

James R. Hudson, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Date: 8/29/15

City Attorney