

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A "COMPLETE STREETS"
POLICY FOR THE CITY OF NOVI,
AUGUST 9, 2010

City of Novi
County of Oakland, Michigan

Minutes of a regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan, held in the City Hall in said City on August 9, 2010, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. Prevailing Eastern Time.

PRESENT: Mayor Landry, Mayor Pro Tem Gatt, Council Members Crawford, Fischer, Margolis, Mutch and Staudt

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and Resolution were offered by Mayor Pro Tem Gatt and supported by Council Member Margolis.

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, "Complete Streets" are achieved when transportation agencies routinely plan, design, construct, re-construct, operate, and maintain the transportation network to improve travel conditions for bicyclists, pedestrians, transit, and freight in a manner consistent with, and supportive of, the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, development of pedestrian, bicycle, and transit infrastructure offers long-term cost savings and opportunities to create safe and convenient non-motorized travel; and

WHEREAS, streets that support and invite multiple uses, including safe, active, and ample space for pedestrians, bicycles, and transit are more conducive to the public life and efficient movement of people than streets designed primarily to move automobiles; and

WHEREAS, increasing active transportation (e.g., walking, bicycling and using public transportation) offers the potential for improved public health, economic development, a cleaner environment, reduced transportation costs, enhanced community connections, social equity, and more livable communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Novi's proposed "Master Plan for Land Use" amendments include goals, objectives and implementation strategies to promote non-motorized transportation in the City of Novi; and

WHEREAS, the City of Novi has contracted for the completion of a "Non-Motorized Master Plan" that will include "Complete Streets" design standards and identify near-term and long-term improvements to further a "Complete Streets" policy, and

WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" principles have been and continue to be adopted nation-wide at state, county, MPO, and city levels in the interest of proactive planning and adherence to federal regulation that guide transportation planning organizations to promote multi-modal transportation options and accessibility for all users.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Novi City Council hereby declares its support of "Complete Streets" policies and further directs City staff to develop a set of proposed standards and ordinances to implement "Complete Streets" policies and practices in the City of Novi to make the City more accommodating to walkers and bicyclists.

AYES: (7) Mayor Landry, Mayor Pro Tem Gatt, Council Members Crawford, Fischer, Margolis, Mutch and Staudt

NAYES: (0) None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.


MARYANNE CORNELIUS, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Novi at a regular meeting held this 9th day of August, 2010.


MARYANNE CORNELIUS, City Clerk