



COUNCIL - MANAGER GOVERNMENT

**CITY OF ALLEGAN
RESOLUTION 10.42**

**A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Allegan, Michigan Supporting a
“Complete Streets” Policy for the City of Allegan**

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, reconstruct, 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 use 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, “Complete Streets” principles have been and continue to be adopted nationwide 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; and

WHEREAS, in response to the Complete Streets Initiative, the State of Michigan adopted an amendment to the Planning Enabling Act in 2010 stating that a community’s master plan shall include all components of a transportation system and their interconnectivity including streets and bridges, public transit, bicycle facilities, pedestrian

ways, freight facilities and routes, port facilities, railroad facilities, and airports, to provide for the safe and efficient movement of people and goods in a manner that is appropriate to the context of the community and, as applicable, considers all legal users of the public right-of-way.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF ALLEGAN COUNCIL RESOLVES:

SECTION 1: That the Council of the City of Allegan hereby declares its support of “Complete Streets” policies.

SECTION 2: That the City Council approved the plan as presented (Attachment A) and is hereby directing the Planning Commission to begin preparing a master plan amendment to include an expanded section on multimodal transportation in accordance with the Planning Enabling Act.

SECTION 3: That the City Manager is directed to review “Complete Streets” improvements in the design of transportation projects as they develop and make a recommendation as to what improvements should be included as appropriate, based on Attachment A, the amended master plan and additional recommendations from the City Engineer.

SECTION 4: That the City Council shall make any final decisions related to the final design of any “Complete Street” improvements, based on any planning, engineering and/or financial considerations.

AYES: Clark, Day, Hotchkiss, Kowalski, McKenzie, Williams, Mayor Morton

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

DATED: December 13, 2010

RESOLUTION DECLARED: ADOPTED

Robert Hillard, City Manager/Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I, Robert Hillard, duly appointed City Manager/Clerk of the City of Allegan, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Allegan, Michigan on the 13th day of December, 2010.

Robert Hillard, City Manager/Clerk