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Date November 19, 2018

ADOPTION OF REVISED COMPLETE STREETS POLICY EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019 FOR THE CITY OF DES MOINES TO REFLECT THE MOVE DSM PLAN

WHEREAS, the City Council strives to be a leader in creating a comprehensive transportation network for all users; and

WHEREAS, the term "Complete Streets" means designing, building, and operating the streets to routinely accommodate safe travel by all modes and for all people; and

WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" serve everyone who travels, whether by driving, walking, bicycling, riding transit, moving freight, ride hailing service or other means; and

WHEREAS, people of all ages and abilities must safely move along and across streets, regardless of how they are travelling; and

WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" are essential to provide access for people who cannot drive and eliminate barriers to safe access for non-motorized transportation by people who use mobility devices, and for older adults and children; and

WHEREAS, a complete street may look different and incorporate different components as needed to fit into each neighborhood environment, but all complete streets are designed to balance and support a high level of safety, access and mobility; and;

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2008, by Roll Call No. 08-1701, the City Council adopted a Complete Streets Policy; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2016, by Roll Call No. 16-0717, the City Council adopted an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan titled PlanDSM, which was drafted in accordance with the Iowa Smart Planning Legislation set forth in Chapter 18B of the Iowa Code; and

WHEREAS, an express goal of PlanDSM is to develop a complete multi-modal transportation network for people walking (including utilizing mobility aides), people biking, people taking transit, and people driving; and

WHEREAS, development of a Transportation Master Plan (MoveDSM) and evaluation, refinement, and implementation of the adopted Complete Streets Policy are actions that are specifically identified to implement the vision of PlanDSM; and

WHEREAS, the recommendations and proposed transportation networks in MoveDSM prioritize land use and context sensitivity; and

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2018, the City Council received a proposed "Complete Streets" policy, which would replace the Complete Streets policy adopted by Roll Call No. 08-1701 effective January 1, 2019, and provided comment during a City Council Work Session; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revised "Complete Streets" policy has been presented and favorably received by the Plan and Zoning Commission and the Transportation Safety Committee, and is recommended for approval by the City Manager.



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WHEREAS, following Plan and Zoning Commission approval, City staff added the following substantive revisions to the Complete Streets Policy:

- Clarify that this proposed policy replaces the current Complete Streets Policy adopted in 2008
- Added policy effective date of 1/1/19
- Clarify role of Transportation Safety Committee and Plan & Zoning Commission for private developments seeking exceptions to the policy
- Added more components to be part of the annual report

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

1. That the "Complete Streets" policy, attached hereto and on file in the City Clerk's Office, is hereby adopted, and effective on January 1, 2019 replaces the Complete Streets policy adopted on September 22, 2008 by Roll Call No. 08-1701.
2. That the Complete Streets policy adopted on September 22, 2008 by Resolution No. 08-1701 remains effective through December 31, 2018.
3. That the City Manager, staff and the Transportation Safety Committee are to follow the Complete Streets Policy.

MOVED BY Gatto to approve.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kathleen Vanderpool
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Deputy City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
GRAY	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Diane Rauh

City Clerk

J. M. Frankhu Cownie
Mayor