

**PROPOSED
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
COMPLETE STREETS RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the term "Complete Streets" describes a comprehensive, integrated transportation network with infrastructure and design that allows safe and convenient travel along and across streets for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motor vehicle drivers, public transportation riders and drivers, and people of all ages and abilities, including children, youth, families, older adults, and individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Planning and Development Commission wishes to encourage walking, bicycling, and public transportation use as safe, convenient, environmentally friendly, and economical modes of transportation that promote health and independence for all people; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Planning and Development Commission recognizes that the careful planning and coordinated development of Complete Streets infrastructure could offer long-term cost savings for local and state government, benefit public health, and provide financial benefits to property owners, businesses, and investors, while yielding a safe, convenient, and integrated transportation network for all users; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Planning and Development Commission recognizes the importance of street infrastructure and modifications that enable safe, convenient, and comfortable travel for all users, such as sidewalks, shared use paths, bicycle lanes, paved shoulders, street trees and landscaping, planting strips, accessible curb ramps, crosswalks, refuge islands, pedestrian signals, signs, street furniture, bicycle parking facilities, public transportation stops and facilities, and other features assisting in the provision of safe travel for all users, such as traffic calming circles, narrow vehicle lanes, raised medians, and road diets;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sault Ste. Marie Planning and Development Commission, recognizing the importance of creating streets that enable safe travel by all users, supports the adoption of streets policies and practices by the City of Sault Ste. Marie that will help to create a transportation network in the City of Sault Ste. Marie that

encourages multi-modal transportation where appropriate;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning and Development Commission recommends that the City of Sault Ste. Marie, to the extent feasible, should include Complete Streets design considerations and practices as a routine part of municipal infrastructure planning and implementation, and approach transportation projects and programs as an opportunity to improve public and private streets and the transportation network for all users, working in coordination with other departments, agencies, and jurisdictions;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Planning and Development Commission supports the adoption of policies and procedures to promote and create streets that provide for safe and convenient travel for all users within the City of Sault Ste. Marie within the existing administrative framework for overall city planning, engineering, traffic control, and access management.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Nason", written over a horizontal line.

Scott Nason, Chair
Sault Ste. Marie Planning and Development Commission
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