

BY COUNCILMAN

WHEREAS, the City of Midland desires to have a "Complete Streets" policy, a term given to streets that accommodate all forms of travel; including automobiles, bicycles, pedestrians, personal mobility devices, transit and freight in a safe environment on designated City streets; and

WHEREAS, the City of Midland adopted a Master Street Plan which proposes a network of streets with design features that will accommodate pedestrians and vehicular movement. The Plan includes a bicycle plan that specifically defines proposed trails, on-street bike lanes and bike routes; and

WHEREAS, the guiding principle for a "Complete Streets" program for the City of Midland is to design, operate and maintain designated City streets to promote safe and convenient access for all users. The City proposes to do this in a manner consistent with and supportive of the surrounding community. This can be accomplished with improvements that may include an array of facilities and amenities recognized as contributing to the "Complete Streets" program; and

WHEREAS; this will be done in keeping with the goal of accommodating all forms of travel and in keeping with the design specifications of the Master Street Plan. The policy recognizes that all streets are different and in each case user needs must be balanced with the benefit to the entire community, and

WHEREAS, the City of Midland recognizes the importance of sidewalks, designated bike routes, on-street bike lanes and separate trails as components of the street plan and as part of the "Complete Streets" policy; and

WHEREAS, the Midland City Council at its meeting on April 26, 2010, referred the proposed "Complete Streets" policy to the City of Midland Planning Commission for review and recommendation and the Planning Commission has subsequently reviewed the proposed policy and has acted to recommend approval of the policy to the City Council by a unanimous vote of 9-0; now therefore

RESOLVED, that the City of Midland City Council hereby approves the "Complete Streets" policy for the City of Midland.

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

VACANCY:

I, Selina Tisdale, City Clerk, City of Midland, Counties of Bay and Midland, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by a yeas vote of all the Councilmen present at a regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, June 14, 2010.

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Selina Tisdale, City Clerk