

# CITY OF OBERLIN, OHIO

## RESOLUTION No. R15-04 CMS

### A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY FOR THE CITY OF OBERLIN

WHEREAS, the City of Oberlin is committed to maintaining, developing and promoting a diverse multi-modal transportation system serving the needs of all Oberlin residents and visitors in coordination with local, county and regional partners to reduce carbon emissions while improving the local economy, the community and the environment; and

WHEREAS, a Complete Streets Policy encourages low-carbon and carbon-free modes of transportation and assists the City with its commitment to the Clinton Climate Initiative goal of becoming a Climate Positive community by the year 2050; and

WHEREAS, a Complete Streets Policy addresses the environmental needs of our community by reducing the environmental impact of our transportation infrastructure by incorporating design, construction, operating and maintenance strategies to reduce waste, storm water run-off, and energy consumption; and

WHEREAS, a Complete Streets Policy addresses the livability needs of our community with multipurpose streets that better and more safely accommodate users of all ages and abilities including pedestrians, cyclists, motorists and emergency, service and transit vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oberlin is committed to the creation of a network of Complete Streets that will improve the economic, environmental, and social well-being of all citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Oberlin, County of Lorain, State of Ohio, a majority of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That Oberlin City Council does hereby adopt this Complete Streets Policy for the City of Oberlin.

SECTION 2. Complete Streets Principles. City elected officials and City staff will incorporate the following principles in carrying out their duties:

- 2.1 Streets and rights-of-way will be designed, constructed and operated to safely accommodate users of all ages and abilities including pedestrians, cyclists, motorists and emergency, service and transit vehicles.

- 2.2 The City Manager is authorized to implement policies, guidelines and design standards related to Complete Streets in all street construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, resurfacing and streetscape enhancements projects within the public rights-of-way.
- 2.3 The City Administration will review and update its Strategic Plan, the Planning and Zoning Code, the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, the Thoroughfare Plan, the Public Works Standards and other existing plans, regulations and standards to further the goals of this Policy. These plans, regulations and standards shall serve as the basis for the design of improvement projects within the public rights-of-way. The City Administration will endeavor to stay abreast of planning and design guidance that may further the goals of this Policy.
- 2.4 The City Administration will endeavor to develop and maintain such data as may be required to evaluate the costs and benefits of this Policy. This may include information such as average daily traffic, parking space utilization, bike/pedestrian volumes, bike parking facilities, traffic crash rates, street condition inventory, miles of bike lanes/sidewalks, number of curb ramps installed, project costs, etc.
- 2.5 Street extensions and improvements shall be contextually planned with the intent of creating an intentional and functional system of interconnected neighborhoods.
- 2.6 The City Administration will seek to ensure transparency and stakeholder input in planning, design and construction of its street and streetscape improvement projects. To help develop a regional network of transportation choices, the City Administration will consult with other government agencies and private sector developers to promote its Complete Streets Policy.

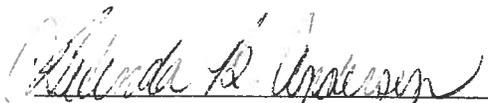
SECTION 3. The City Manager shall provide an annual report to City Council on the implementation of the Complete Streets Policy.

SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning or relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 5. That this Resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: May 4, 2015  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: May 18, 2015  
3<sup>rd</sup> Reading: June 1, 2015 (effective in 30 days)

ATTEST:

  
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BELINDA B. ANDERSON, MMC  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

  
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SCOTT BROADWELL  
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

POSTED: 06/02/2015

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2015



**City of Oberlin  
Public Works Department  
Complete Streets Checklist**

<b>Project Title:</b>	
<b>Type of Street:</b> (cul-de-sac, local, collector, arterial)	
<b>Predominant Use:</b> (residential, commercial, industrial, institutional)	
<b>Project Description:</b>	
<b>Preliminary Schedule:</b> 1. Design Complete 2. Award Date 3. Notice to Proceed 4. Substantial Completion	
<b>Design:</b> Engineering Division	
<b>Contact:</b> City Engineer Randall Roberts Public Works Director Jeff Baumann	

1. **What accommodations for pedestrians currently exist within the proposed project limits? Please describe all checked items.**

**Sidewalks.**

**Crosswalks/crosswalk markings.**

**ADA compliant curb ramps.**

**Pedestrian Activated Traffic Signals.**

**Pedestrian Crossing Pavement Marking/Pedestrian or School Zone Signage.**

**2. What accommodations for bicyclists currently exist within the proposed project limits? Please describe all checked items.**

**Off Road Improved Surface Path. Specify surface:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Off Road Unimproved Surface Path. Specify surface:** \_\_\_\_\_

**On Road Bike Lane(s).**

**Sharrows.**

**Bike Parking Facilities (public/private).**

**3. If no pedestrian or bicycle facilities currently exist within the project area, please describe relative location of and access to nearest pedestrian and bicycle facilities.**

**4. What trip generators exist in the vicinity of the project area that attract pedestrians and/or bicyclists?**

**Schools**

**Parks**

**Central Business District**

**Other Shopping**

**Medical Facilities**

**Senior Facilities**

**Other (please describe):**

**5. If there have been stakeholder or public meetings regarding the proposed project, what comments have been received from the public regarding pedestrian/bicycle accommodations?**

**6. What accommodations, if any, are included for pedestrians and/or bicyclists in the proposed project design? Please describe.**

Sidewalks.

Crosswalks/crosswalk markings.

ADA compliant curb ramps.

Pedestrian Activated Traffic Signals.

Pedestrian Crossing Pavement Marking/Pedestrian or School Zone Signage.

Off Road Improved Surface Path.

Off Road Unimproved Surface Path.

On Road Bike Lane(s).

Sharrows.

Bike Parking Facilities

Other

**7. Will the proposed project remove an existing pedestrian/bicycle facility or block or hinder pedestrian/bicycle movements? If so, why?**

**8. How will pedestrian/bicycle access be maintained during construction?**

**9. Does the project help to extend intermodal transportation systems? Please describe.**

**10. If funding were available, could the project limits/project scope be expanded to further improve interconnectivity of intermodal transportation systems? If so, please describe.**

Checklisted completed:

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Name/Title

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Date