Council of the City of York, PA  
Session 2011  
Resolution No. 60

Introduced by:  
Genevieve H. Ray

Date: May 3, 2011

WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" are streets that are safe and convenient for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation riders and motor vehicle drivers of all ages and abilities; and,

WHEREAS, increasing walking, bicycling and use of public transportation results in cleaner air, greater health of the population, reduced traffic congestion, more livable communities, less reliance on fossil fuels and more efficient use of road space and resources; and,

WHEREAS, the City of York, Pennsylvania, is committed to improving conditions for walking and bicycling; and,

WHEREAS, a portion of the City of York residents do not have the option to drive because of age, physical disability or the cost of private vehicle ownership and therefore need to access alternative transportation modes in order to be independent; and,

WHEREAS, the City of York is dedicated to the safety of its citizens, residents and visitors and the Federal Highway Administration has confirmed that designing streets with pedestrians in mind significantly reduces pedestrian risk; and,

WHEREAS, the City of York is committed to smart growth and economic development, realizing that the full integration of all transportation modes in the design of streets will increase the capacity and efficiency of the road network, reduce traffic congestion by improving mobility options, limit greenhouse gas emissions, and improve the general quality of life; and,

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to encourage and promote adoption of and adherence to a "complete streets policy" where feasible, for the design, construction and maintenance of streets throughout the City of York.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of York, Pennsylvania that Council hereby endorses and supports the creation, adoption and adherence to a "complete streets policy" providing that all street projects undertaken within the City of York, including design, planning, reconstruction, rehabilitation, maintenance and operations, shall be designed in a balanced, responsible and equitable way to accommodate and encourage travel by bicyclists, public transportation vehicles and their passengers, and pedestrians of all ages and abilities; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that City Council encourages the administration and staff of the City of York to prepare and review a complete streets policy, and, where feasible, to adopt and enforce the policy for streets within the City of York; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that City Council further encourages the administration and staff of the City of York to undertake future transportation policy development in accordance with nationally accepted standards for complete streets practice, as outlined by the National Complete Streets Coalition.

The Resolution shall take effect upon the date of its final passage.

PASSED FINALLY: May 3, 2011  
BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:


NAYS: None

ATTEST:  
Dianna L. Thompson, CITY CLERK

Genevieve H. Ray, President of Council