

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-060

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, increasing walking, biking and transit use offers the potential for healthier citizenry, cleaner air, reduced traffic congestion, more livable neighborhoods, less reliance on fossil fuels and imported sources of energy, and more efficient use of road space and resources; and

WHEREAS, the term “complete streets” is defined as a transportation facility that accommodates the mobility needs of all potential users in a safe, integrated, holistic, and mutually-supportive manner; and

WHEREAS, a complete street can accomplish greater public benefits, improve safety, increase transportation options, and support more livable and sustainable communities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds this Resolution to be in the best interests of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Cocoa.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. **Recitals.** The foregoing recitals are deemed true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference as part of this Resolution.

Section 2. **Complete Streets Policy.** The City Council of the City of Cocoa hereby adopts a “Complete Streets Policy” as follows:

A. Streets bridges and transit stops within the City of Cocoa shall be planned, designed, constructed, operated, and maintained so that pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, motorists of all ages and abilities can travel safely and independently.

B. A “complete street” addresses the needs of all users. Pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users and motorists of all ages and abilities can be safely accommodated within the overall street network. Planning for this diverse user group requires consideration of the following elements:

1. Sidewalk space for pedestrians;

2. Bike lanes or bike routes;
3. Appropriately-sized travel lanes for cars, trucks, and delivery/emergency service vehicles;
4. Transit vehicles, facilities, and routes;
5. On-street parking where applicable;
6. Median use for traffic flow, safety, and pedestrian refuge;
7. Adequate buffer areas for pedestrian safety, utility placement, drainage, and possible landscaping;
8. Landscaping or hardscaping adding pedestrian protection; and
9. The existing and anticipated future land use context of a roadway or corridor.

C. Future streets within the City of Cocoa shall be designed to balance user needs and incorporate those elements that match the land use context. While some corridors may be oriented to vehicle mobility, they should always safely accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians.

D. The City of Cocoa will continue to work with its partnering agencies to create attractive complete streets that meet the needs of the traveling public and support the future vision of the corridor.

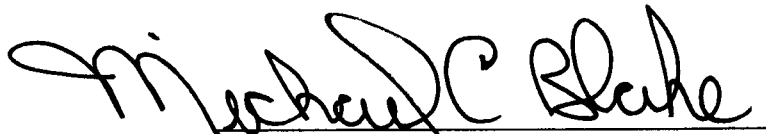
Section 3. **Repeal of Prior Inconsistent Resolutions.** All prior inconsistent resolutions adopted by the City Council are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of the conflict.


Section 4. **Severability.** If any section, clause, phrase, word, or provision is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, whether for substantive or procedural reasons, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

Section 5. **Effective Date.** This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

[EXECUTION PAGE FOLLOWS]

ADOPTED at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Cocoa, Florida,
assembled this 14 day of June, 2011.


Michael Blake, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Joan Clark, City Clerk