

RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE,
BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND
ADOPTING A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY.

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, a Complete Street can accomplish greater public benefits, improve safety, increase transportation options, and support more livable and sustainable communities; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Rockledge that the City Council approves and adopts this Complete Streets Policy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE, FLORIDA that it does hereby approve and adopt this "Complete Streets Policy" as set forth below:

Section 1. Streets, pedestrian ways, and transit stops within the City of Rockledge should be planned, designed, constructed, operated, and maintained, so that pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, motorists of all ages and abilities can travel safely and independently.

Section 2. 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.

Section 3. Future streets within the City of Rockledge will 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.

Section 4. The City of Rockledge will continue to work with our partnering agencies, including but not limited to the Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization, the Florida

Department of Transportation, Brevard County, and the City of Cocoa to create attractive Complete Streets that meet the needs of the traveling public and support the future vision of the corridor.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rockledge, Florida, this 18th day of May 2011.

Chairman, Rockledge City Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk