

**CITY OF BUCHANAN
COUNTY OF BERRIEN, STATE OF MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2021.4/223**

A RESOLUTION TO DEVELOP COMPLETE STREETS AS PART OF THE CITY OF BUCHANAN MASTER PLAN.

Minutes of a special meeting of the City Commission of the City of Buchanan, Berrien County, Michigan held in Buchanan City Hall, 302 N. Redbud Trail, in said City, on Monday, April 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners Sean Denison, Cameron Downey, Larry Money, Patrick Swem, Mark Weedon

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Commissioner Downey and supported by Commissioner Weedon.

WHEREAS, increasing walking and bicycling offers the potential for greater health of the population, and more livable communities; and

WHEREAS, A Complete Street is safe, comfortable, and convenient for travel by automobile, foot, bicycle, and transit regardless of age or ability, and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Legislature has passed Complete Streets legislation that requires the Michigan Department of Transportation and local governments to consider all users in transportation related projects; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Planning Enabling Act has been amended, requiring that all transportation improvements identified in a plan are appropriate to the context of the community and considers all legal users of the public right of way; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets support economic growth and community stability by providing accessible and efficient connections between home, school, work, recreation and retail destinations by improving the pedestrian and vehicular environments throughout communities; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets enhance safe walking and bicycling options for school-age children, in recognition of the objectives of the national Safe Routes to School program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Buchanan recognizes the importance of street infrastructure and modifications such as sidewalks, crosswalks, shared use paths, bicycle lanes, signage, narrow vehicle lanes and accessible curb ramps, that enable safe, convenient, and comfortable travel for all users; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Buchanan, to the extent feasible, will include Complete Streets design considerations and practices as a routine part of infrastructure planning and implementation; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Buchanan supports the future development of a non-motorized transportation plan and a Complete Streets ordinance that supports ease of use and safety for all users of transportation systems within the City of Buchanan.

AYES: Commissioners Sean Denison, Cameron Downey, Larry Money, Patrick Swem, Mark Weedon

NAYS: None

ABSENT None


RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.


Sean Denison, Mayor


Barbara A Pitcher, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was certified at a regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Buchanan, Michigan, held on Monday, April 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.


Barbara A Pitcher, City Clerk

