



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 12/9/24

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AGENDA ITEM CONTENT: Resolution to Adopt a Vision Zero Policy to Eliminate Fatalities and Serious Injuries resulting from Crashes on Madison Heights Streets.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Consent Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: N/A

FUNDS REQUESTED: N/A

FUND: N/A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The southeast Oakland County communities of Madison Heights, Berkley, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Oak Park, and Pleasant Ridge were awarded a US Dept. of Transportation (USDOT) Safe Streets for All planning grant to address street safety issues within our borders. This grant provided an opportunity for the City of Madison Heights to seek a data-driven approach to reduce and eliminate fatalities and serious injuries resulting from crashes on our streets. This Safe Streets for All "Joint Safety Action Plan", currently under development, identifies and analyzes street corridors where fatal and high injury crashes commonly occur, outlines potential policy, planning and engineering solutions, and supports the National Roadway Safety Strategy and USDOT goal of zero roadway deaths.

As part of the Joint Safety Action Plan and Safe Streets for All grant requirements, the partnering communities must formally adopt Vision Zero as a comprehensive approach. Vision Zero is a public health-based safety strategy to reduce and eventually eliminate traffic deaths and serious injuries by a specific year, using a multi-disciplinary approach. The attached resolution, which will be adopted by all seven southeast Oakland County communities, adopts a Vision Zero policy within Madison Heights, proposing to eliminate traffic deaths and serious injuries on our streets by the year 2045.

To provide additional context, staff has included a Planning Advisory Service (PAS) memo regarding Vision Zero from the American Planning Association.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that City Council approve the resolution adopting a Vision Zero policy to eliminate fatalities and serious injuries resulting from crashes on Madison Heights streets by the year 2045.