

Member Backen moved and Member Selman seconded a motion that the following resolution be read and adopted this 16th day of July, 2013.

RESOLUTION NO. 7241

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A POLICY SUPPORTING COMPLETE STREETS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACTIVE LIVING HENNEPIN COUNTY

WHEREAS, Complete Streets are defined as roadways that enable safe and convenient access for all users, of all ages and abilities including pedestrians; bicyclists; transit riders; and personal, emergency and commercial vehicles and are conducive to efficient movement and mobility of people and goods; and

WHEREAS, by integrating a number of infrastructure improvements such as wide sidewalks, pedestrian buffer zones, bike facilities and trails, transit shelters and connections, safe crossings and smaller vehicle lanes into the initial design of street projects, the city can avoid the expense of retrofits and, in some cases, may save money on capital and maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, on June 20 2013, the Planning Commission reviewed examples of complete streets policies and indicated their support in concept as articulated by the examples; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets supports health initiatives by recognizing the linkages between the built environment and human health; and

WHEREAS, by providing infrastructure networks for all users, Complete Streets aims to encourage non-motorized transportation and recreation, thereby helping to reduce rates of obesity and related diseases such as diabetes, asthma and heart disease; and

WHEREAS, Legislation was passed by the State of Minnesota in May 2010 supporting Complete Streets and similar resolutions and policies have been adopted by Hennepin County and a number of Minnesota cities as well as the United States Department of Transportation, multiple states and cities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the city's Comprehensive Plan supports the promotion of pedestrian/bicycle movement throughout the city, an active and healthy community, linkages to existing and planned regional trails, and environmentally friendly development design; and

WHEREAS, the Council accepts these concepts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Robbinsdale, Hennepin County, Minnesota, that the city affirms its support of the concept of Complete Streets and the need to facilitate access to transportation modes for all users of all ages and abilities; and

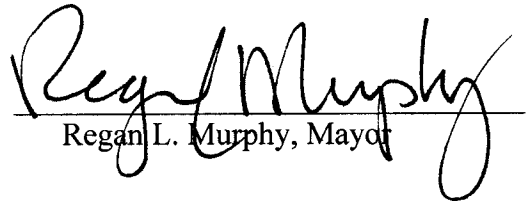
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council adopts the Complete Streets policy attached as **Exhibit 1** which may be used for future amendments to the city's Comprehensive Plan, City Code and Capital Improvement Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council encourages residents, nonprofits, businesses, cities, counties and the state and federal government to work together to make Complete Streets a reality and success throughout Robbinsdale and Minnesota.

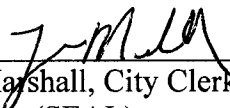
The question was on adoption of the resolution and upon a vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Rogan, Selman, Backen, Blonigan, Mayor Murphy

and the following voted against the same: None

WHEREUPON SAID RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF JULY 2013.


Regan L. Murphy, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tom Marshall, City Clerk
(SEAL)