

**BOROUGH OF CALIFON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION 2012- 86

**A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY WITHIN THE
BOROUGH OF CALIFON**

WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" are defined as roadways that enable safe and convenient access for all users, including bicyclists, children, pedestrians, persons with disabilities, seniors, motorists, and students; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Califon is committed to creating a pedestrian and bikeway system that makes these activities a viable alternative to driving, and will improve bicyclist and pedestrian safety, by creating street corridors that safely accommodate all road users of all abilities and disabilities; and

WHEREAS, significant accomplishments have already been achieved in The Borough of Califon by incorporating pedestrian safety and traffic calming measures; and,

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation supports complete streets policies and has adopted its own such policy on December 3, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, Complete Streets policies support the goals of the Borough of Califon Master Plan; and,

WHEREAS, promoting pedestrian, bicycle and public transportation travel as an alternative to the automobile reduces negative environmental impacts, promotes healthy living, and is less costly to the commuter; and

WHEREAS, the design and construction of new roads and facilities should anticipate future demand for biking, walking and other alternative transportation facilities and not preclude the provision of future improvements; and,

WHEREAS, the full integration of all modes of travel in the design of streets and highways will increase the capacity and efficiency of the road network, reduce traffic congestion by improving mobility options, limit greenhouse gases, improve air quality, and enhance the general quality of life for residents and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Califon that all public street projects, both new construction and reconstruction (excluding maintenance) undertaken by the Borough of Califon shall be designed and constructed as "Complete Streets" whenever feasible to do so in order to safely accommodate travel by pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit, and motorized vehicles and their passengers, with special priority given to pedestrian safety, and subject to the following conditions:

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- a. In any project, should the cost of pedestrian, public transit and/or bicycle facilities cause an increase in project costs in excess of 15%, as determined by engineering estimates, that would have to be funded with local tax dollars, then and in that event approval by Council must be obtained for same prior to bidding of the project.
 - b. Significant adverse environmental impacts outweigh the positive effects of the infrastructure.

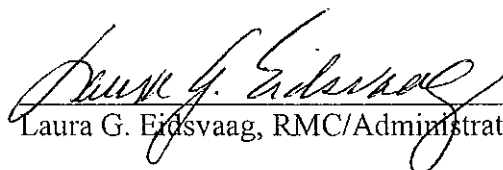
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that one or more of the following implementation tools may be used in support of this Complete Streets policy:

- a. Coordination between departments and provision of training to municipal employees including public works, maintenance, planning and engineering.
- b. Establishment of a checklist for project review.
- c. Institution of performance measures and data collection to evaluate on how well the streets are serving all users.
- d. Address the specific needs of bicyclists and pedestrians on local roadways.
- e. Direct the use of the latest and best design and engineering standards, including paving shoulders and/or narrowing travel lanes to provide striped shoulders on roads for bicycle, pedestrian, farm equipment and emergency use. Avoiding placement of rumble strips that could interfere with the safe operation of bicycles.
- f. Anticipate future bicycle, pedestrian and transit demand, even on bridges and in and around train stations.

) Identification of capital improvements that expand the opportunities for safe roadway use by all users.


Charles Daniel, Mayor

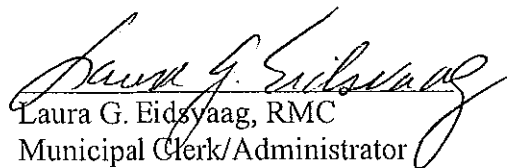
ATTEST:


Laura G. Eidsvaag, RMC/Administrator

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough of Califon Council at a meeting held on December 3, 2012.

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Laura G. Eidsyaag, RMC
Municipal Clerk/Administrator