

RESOLUTION R-167-2012
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A COMPLETE STREETS
POLICY FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua acknowledges that streets should be designed, built and retrofitted for all users: motor vehicles, pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users and people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the adoption and implementation of a Complete Streets Policy will integrate the needs of all users into everyday transportation and land use decision making.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua, in the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey hereby authorizes and adopts the implementation of a Complete Streets Policy for the Township of Mantua that will be implemented through the following methods:

1. Bicycle and pedestrian ways shall be established in new construction and reconstruction projects unless one or more of the following conditions are met:
 - a. Bicyclists and pedestrians are prohibited by law from using the roadway.
 - b. The cost of accommodations is excessively disproportionate to the cost of the project, at more than twenty (20) percent of the total cost.
 - c. Where sparse population, travel or other factors indicate an absence of need as defined by any street with a paved roadway width greater than Twenty Eight (28) feet and less the one hundred (100) vehicles per day.
 - d. Detrimental environmental or social impacts outweigh the need for these accommodations.
 - e. The safety or timing of a project is compromised by the inclusion of Complete Streets.
2. Paved shoulders should be included in all new construction and reconstruction projects on roadways used by more than 1,000 vehicles per day consistent with NJDOT Complete Streets policy.
3. Sidewalks, shared use paths, crossings (including over and undercrossings), pedestrian signals, street furniture, transit stops and facilities and all connecting pathways shall be designed, constructed, operated and maintained so that all pedestrians, including people with disabilities, can travel safely and independently.
4. The design and development of the transportation infrastructure shall improve conditions for bicycling and walking through the following additional steps:
 - a. Planning Projects for the long-term. The design and construction of new facilities that meet the criteria in No. 1 above should anticipate likely

future demand for bicycling and walking facilities and not preclude the provision of future improvements.

- b. Addressing the need for bicyclists and pedestrians to cross corridors as well as travel along them. The design of intersections and interchanges shall accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians in a manner that is safe, accessible and convenient.
- c. Getting Exceptions approved at a senior level. Exceptions for the non-inclusion of bikeways and walkways shall be approved by a senior manager and be documented with supporting data that indicates the basis for the decision.
- d. Designing facilities to the best currently available standards and guidelines. The design of facilities for bicyclists and pedestrians should follow design guidelines and standards that are commonly used, such as AASHTO Guide for the development of Bicycle Facilities, AASHTO's A Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets, and the ITE Recommended Practice "Design and Safety of Pedestrian Facilities."

TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

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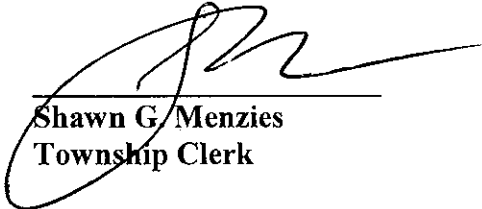
PETE SCIRROTTO, MAYOR

ATTEST: 

Shawn G. Menzies, Township Clerk

	Scirrotto	Lawrence	Zimmerman	Silvanio	Legge
YES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
NO					
ABSTAIN					
ABSENT					

Adopted by the Township of Mantua at an Open Public Township Meeting this 17th day of September, 2012.



Shawn G. Menzies
Township Clerk