

**TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON  
COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY**


RESOLUTION

No. 15 024

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

FACTUAL CONTENTS CERTIFIED TO BY

  
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TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

  
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TITLE

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A "COMPLETE STREETS" POLICY**

WHEREAS, the Township of Hamilton is committed to creating street corridors that will accommodate road users of all ages and abilities for all types of uses including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit vehicles, children, older citizens and the mobility challenged, and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation's Complete Streets Policy states "A Complete Street is defined as a means to provide safe access for all users by designing and operating a comprehensive, integrated connected multi-modal network of transportation option", and

WHEREAS, the benefits of *Complete Streets* include:

- Improving safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, children, older citizens and the mobility challenged as well as those that cannot afford a car or choose to live car free;
- Providing connections to bicycling and walking trip generators such as employment, education, residential, recreation, retail centers and public facilities;
- Promoting healthy lifestyles;
- Creating more livable communities;
- Reducing traffic congestion and reliance on carbon fuels, thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions;
- Saving money by incorporating sidewalks, bike lanes, safe crossings and transit amenities into the initial design of a project, thus sparing the expense of retrofits later; and

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WHEREAS, grants and related funding opportunities now require the implementation of Complete Streets policies;

WHEREAS, significant accomplishments have already been achieved by incorporating pedestrian safety and traffic calming measures when public streets are improved;

WHEREAS, the Township Council supports this "Complete Streets" initiative and wishes to reinforce its commitment to creating a comprehensive, integrated, connected street network that safely accommodates all road users of all abilities and disabilities and for all trips;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Hamilton, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that all public street projects, both new construction and reconstruction (excluding maintenance) undertaken by the Township 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 of all ages and abilities, with special priority given to bicyclist and pedestrian safety, based on the needs of the community.

ADOPTED BY COUNCIL ON JANUARY 6, 2015  
DATE

  
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PRESIDENT

  
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MUNICIPAL CLERK

RECORD OF VOTE						
COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	RES.	SEC.
KEVIN MEARA	✓					✓
EDWARD R. GORE	✓				✓	
DAVE KENNY	✓					
ILEANA SCHIRMER	✓					
DENNIS PONE	✓					
X – Indicates Vote    A.B. – Absent    N.V. – Not Voting    RES. – Moved    SEC. – Seconded						