CHESTER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY Resolution 2013-58

WHEREAS, the Township of Chester is committed to creating street corridors that safely accommodate all road users of all abilities; and

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

WHEREAS, the Township of Chester 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 for all trips;

NOW THERE BE IT RESOLVED that all public street projects, both new construction and reconstruction (excluding maintenance) undertaken by the Township of Chester 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:

- a. Pedestrian and bicycle facilities shall not be required where they are prohibited by law.
- b. Public transit facilities shall not be required on streets not serving as transit routes and the desirability of transit facilities will be determined on a project specific basis.
- c. In any project, should the cost of pedestrian, public transit, and/or bicycle facilities cause an increase in project costs in excess of 5%, as determined by engineering estimates, that would have to be funded with local tax dollars, then and in that event approval by the Township Committee must be obtained for same prior to bidding of the project.

June 5, 2013

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER

Carol Isemann
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