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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: April 17, 2018

Subject

Resolution adopting a Complete Streets Policy to further the goals of meeting the safety, access and mobility needs of all users of the roadways

Recommended Action

Adopt Resolution No. 18-XXX, adopting a Complete Streets Policy to further the goals of meeting the safety, access and mobility needs of all users of the roadways

Discussion

The term “Complete Streets” describes a comprehensive, integrated transportation network with infrastructure and design that allows safe and convenient travel along and across streets for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, persons with disabilities, motorists, movers of commercial goods, users and operators of public transportation, seniors, children, youth, and families. The State of California has emphasized the importance of Complete Streets by enacting the California Complete Streets Act of 2008 (also known as AB 1358), which requires that when cities or counties revise general plans, they identify how they will provide for the mobility needs of all users of the roadways.

The City of Cupertino has recognized for some time that the planning and coordinated development of Complete Streets infrastructure provides benefits in the areas of infrastructure cost savings, public health, and environmental sustainability, and to that end, the City of Cupertino’s 2015 Mobility Element update within the General Plan is based on the same multimodal principles and elements required in the Complete Streets Act of 2008.

Despite the General Plan’s support of Complete Streets principles, the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) requires that, in order to be eligible for 2016 Measure B funding, member agencies must adopt a Complete Streets resolution containing the following nine (9) Complete Streets Elements, as further described in Exhibit A:

- Serve all Users
- Context Sensitivity

- Complete Streets in all Departments
- All Projects/Phases
- Plan Consultation
- Street Network/Connectivity
- BPAC Consultation
- Evaluation
- Process

Sustainability Impact

The Complete Streets Policy is consistent with the City of Cupertino 2015 Mobility Element update of the General Plan. Additionally, the adoption of the Policy will enhance sustainability through the encouragement of safe and convenient travel for all modes of transportation, and benefit public health and welfare by reducing vehicle miles traveled and contributing to vehicle emissions reductions.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact resulting from adoption of the City of Cupertino Complete Streets Policy.

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Attachments:

A – Draft Policy

B – Draft Resolution