

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF MATTESON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS APPROVING AND ADOPTING A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY

WHEREAS, the Village of Matteson, Cook County, Illinois (the "Village") is duly organized and validly existing non home-rule municipality created in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Illinois of 1970 and the laws of the State; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Matteson believe and hereby declare that it will be in the best interest of the Village and its residents to approve and adopt the Complete Streets Policy; and

WHEREAS, complete streets mean roadways planned, designed and constructed to provide appropriate access to all legal users in a manner that promotes safe and efficient movement of people and goods, whether by car, truck, transit, assistive device, foot, or bicycle;

WHEREAS, a complete streets policy means a document that provides guidance for the planning, design, and construction or reconstruction of roadways or interconnected network of transportation facilities being constructed or reconstructed and designed for a transportation purpose that promotes complete streets and meets all of the following requirements: (i) is sensitive to the needs of the Village of Matteson, (ii) considers the functional class of the Roadway and project costs and allows for appropriate exemptions; (iii) considers the varying mobility needs of all legal users of the roadway, of all ages and abilities;

WHEREAS, increasing walking and bicycling offers improved health benefits by increasing physical activity for the population and thereby making the Village of Matteson a more livable community.

WHEREAS, complete streets support economic growth and community stability by providing accessible and efficient connections between home, school, work, recreation, and retail designations by improving pedestrian and vehicular environments throughout the community;

WHEREAS, Village of Matteson recognizes the importance of street infrastructure and modifications such as sidewalks, crosswalks, shared-use paths, bicycle lanes, signage, and accessible curb ramps that enable safe, convenient, and comfortable travel for all users;

To the extent feasible, the Village of Matteson will incorporate complete streets design considerations and practices as a routine part of infrastructure planning and implementation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Matteson, Cook County, Illinois as follows:

Section 1. All Phases- Village of Matteson Complete Streets Policy, September 2020

The Village shall accommodate all users of the road (including bicyclists, pedestrians, transit users, emergency responders and drivers of automobiles and freight vehicles, regardless of their age or ability in all roadway projects, so as to create a comprehensive, integrated network for all users.

Review for consistency with and the potential incorporation of elements to advance the complete streets goal shall be applied to all roadway improvement projects, including new construction, reconstruction, street resurfacing, grading, and water and sewer projects and into all phases of roadway projects including scoping, programming, planning, design, construction, maintenance and operations.

Sections one and two of this policy constitute the principles of the Village of Matteson's Complete Streets Policy and shall be applied to all public Right-of-Way Projects, including new construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, maintenance and planning of roadways, intersections or other transportation facilities. Routes providing access to key destinations, historic districts, faith-based organizations, and significant travel ways, as indicated in the Village of Matteson Complete Streets Map shall be prioritized (See Exhibit A).

Section 2. Exceptions

Exemptions to the Complete Streets Policy must be documented in writing and presented to the Village Board by either the Director of Public Works or the Director of Community Development with supporting data that indicates the reason for the decision and are limited to the following:

- 1) Non-Motorized users are prohibited on the roadway.
- 2) There is documentation that there is an absence of current and future need.
- 3) The cost of accommodations for a particular mode is excessively disproportionate to the need and potential benefit of a project.
- 4) The project involves ordinary maintenance activities designed to keep assets in acceptable condition, such as cleaning, sealing, spot repairs, patching, and surface treatments.

Section 3. All Agencies

Planning and Review: The following procedures shall be used in order to ensure that the various projects within the Village advance the goals of the Complete Streets Policy:

- A) Other Public Agency Projects – The Village shall coordinate with external agencies including the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Cook County Department of Transportation and highways, Cook County Forest Preserve, Rich Township, neighboring communities, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning and South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association to ensure that all roadways and intersections within the Village of Matteson meet the local community standards in accordance with this policy, regardless of jurisdiction.

As with the review process for the Village of Matteson, outside agency projects will be presented to the Village Engineer/Director of Community Development for comments and the Complete Streets Project checklist will be used to document for review.

- B) Private Development – The Village shall review all private development proposals that come before the Village Engineer/Director of Community Development with reference to the incorporation of Complete Streets elements and general consistency with Complete Streets Policy.

Review for Complete Streets consistency will be added to the Community and Economic Development private development review process. This includes consideration of the Complete Streets Elements of each development at the Planning Commission meetings. The Complete Streets project checklist shall be used to assist with and to document the Complete Streets Review.

Section 4. Design Standards

In order to best balance the needs of all users and provide increased flexibility in design, the Village shall utilize the latest existing design guidelines in accordance with the most up-to-date standards, requirements and recommendations as provided, but not limited to:

- American Association of State Highway and transportation Officials
 - Guide to Planning, Design and Operation of Pedestrian Facilities
 - Guide to Development of Bicycle Facilities
 - Roadside Design Guide
- National Association of City Transportation Officials-Urban Bikeway Design Guide
- Illinois Department of Transportation-Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual
- The Access Board-Pedestrian Rights-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines
- FHWA-PEDSAFE: Pedestrian Safety Guide and Countermeasures Selection System
- Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) – Designing Walkable Urban Thoroughfares: A Context Sensitive Approach
- American Planning Association
 - U.S. Traffic Calming Manual
 - Complete Streets: best Policy and Implementation Practices
- Illinois Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction (Latest Edition)

The Village shall also reference applicable existing local land use regulatory documents, such as:

- The Streetscape Improvement Plan
- Village of Matteson Comprehensive Development Plan
- Other regulatory documents that may be developed and or updated

Section 5. Community Context Sensitivity

The Village will take a flexible, innovative and balanced approach to creating context-sensitive Complete Streets that meet or exceed national best-practice guidelines. Design criteria shall not be purely prescriptive but shall be based on the thoughtful application of engineering, architectural and design principles as well as the unique characteristics of neighborhoods and roadway classifications in the Village of Matteson.

Section 6. Performance Standards

The Village of Matteson shall document the success of the Complete Streets Policy using the following measures:

1. Improvements in safety for all roadway users, to be tracked by the number of crashes.
2. Increased capacity for all modes of transportation.
3. Number of Lineal Feet of new pedestrian accommodations.
4. Maintenance activities such as repairs to curb ramps and repainted pavement markings.
5. Number of ADA accommodations built.
6. Changes in economic activity and property values on or near Complete Streets Networks.
7. Number of students that walk to school.
8. Number of students that bike to school.
9. Dollar amount or percentage of funds used for each mode of transportation.
10. Percent changes in building permit applications near complete Streets Networks.

Village Staff shall report to the Village Board on an annual basis on the progress made in implementing this policy. Such measures shall be incorporated into relevant plans, rules, processes, and programs and will be reviewed no less than every five years.

Section 7. Implementation

With the passage of this section, the Department of Economic Development and the Department of Community Development Shall:

Review and update as necessary, relevant plans, manuals, rules, regulations and programs to reflect the principles of this section and in accordance with the most current standards, requirements and recommendations afforded by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation officials (AASHTO).

The Village of Matteson Public Works/Department of Community Development shall have the authority to implement any improvement to the public Right-of-Way that conforms to this Complete Streets Policy.

The following steps shall be implemented to advance implementation of this Policy:

1. Incorporate Complete Streets into its budgeting process, work plans and staffing projections and consider Complete Streets as one of the priorities in roadway planning and funding decisions.
2. Support opportunities for regular training of Village Staff and Elected Officials on new advances in Complete Streets implementation.
3. Creates standard design recommendations and cross sections for accommodating cyclists on Village of Matteson's Collector Streets with limited Right-Of-Way.
4. Suggest improvements to bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure and transit access.
5. Prioritizes improvements for the Village to implement over time.

Section 8. All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict are hereby repealed.

Section 9. If any Section, paragraph or clause or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provisions of this ordinance.

Section 10. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage by the President and Board of trustees and approval and publication as provided by law.

Signed and approved this 21 day of September 2020



Village President

AYES: 6

NAYS : 0

ABSENT : 0

PASSED : September 21. 2020

RECORDED : September 22. 2020

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By Authority of the Board of Trustees:

September 22, 2020.



Village Clerk

EXHIBIT A (Attached)

