

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA, CALIFORNIA
DIRECTING STAFF TO IMPLEMENT AN ALL AGES AND ABILITIES SAFETY STANDARD
ON FOUR NORTH-SOUTH GREENWAYS**

WHEREAS the city's bicycle plan identifies four North/South "Greenways" on neighborhood streets, also known as Bicycle Boulevards, on El Molino Avenue, Wilson Avenue, Sierra Bonita Avenue, and Craig Avenue;

WHEREAS a Greenway is a street where people using active transportation, such as bicycles, scooters, skateboards, wheelchairs, and other human-powered or electric mobility devices, share the roadway with motor vehicle traffic;

WHEREAS Greenways are very likely to be used by children riding their bikes or walking to school, parks, and other activities, as well as by seniors and people with disabilities;

WHEREAS high-speed traffic, over 25 MPH, creates a potential safety hazard and a barrier to mobility for anyone outside of a car;

WHEREAS the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) has established design criteria for All Ages and Abilities Greenways, including vehicle speeds of under 25 MPH;

WHEREAS All Ages and Abilities criteria are designed to meet the needs of all people using the roadway using all methods of transportation, including children, seniors, women, people of color, people with lower-incomes, and people with disabilities, who are traveling with or without a motor vehicle;

WHEREAS NACTO states: "The All Ages & Abilities criteria is a national and international best practice that should be adopted for all bicycle facility design and network implementation";

WHEREAS the Mobility Element of the City's General Plan requires "... an integrated and multimodal transportation system that provides choices and accessibility for everyone living and working in the City;"

WHEREAS the City has declared that climate change is an emergency that threatens the health and welfare of our city, region, state, nation, and the environment, and that the City has committed to environmental stewardship and continued leadership in sustainability;

WHEREAS the City's 2018 Climate Action Plan recognizes transportation as the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in Pasadena, and sets specific targets to reduce these emissions by encouraging more trips by bicycle and walking;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pasadena as follows:

Section 1. The City commits to leadership in safe, equitable and sustainable transportation for all residents.

Section 2. The City Council hereby directs the City Manager to design and construct the four North/South Greenways designated in the city's bicycle plan along El Molino Avenue, Wilson Avenue, Sierra Bonita Avenue, and Craig Avenue following NACTO design criteria for All Ages and Abilities Greenways, including criteria for limiting motor vehicle speeds and volumes.

Section 3. The City Council hereby directs the City Manager to set a timeline for construction of the four North/South Greenways, with a completion date before the end of 2028.

Section 4. The City Council hereby directs the City Clerk to send a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of the Department of Transportation.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council on the ____ day of _____, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN: