CITY OF DUNWOODY

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I. Purpose

The City's Comprehensive Transportation Plan identifies the implementation of a Complete Streets policy as one strategy for improving transportation options and relieving congestion in Dunwoody. The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for considering the safety and convenience of all users of the public right of way when planning and constructing transportation projects. Users include motorists, pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, freight providers, people with disabilities, emergency responders and adjacent land users. The Complete Streets policy is intended to reflect the following principles:

- In seeking to balance the needs of various users, all modes may not be perfectly accommodated on every street. Some streets may emphasize certain modes over others but as a whole the City's transportation system should consist of a network of streets and paths that provides connectivity for all users.
- Complete Streets design solutions should be flexible so that the transportation need can be met within the context of the surrounding community. Providing alternatives to vehicular travel supports the City's commitment to sustainability.

II. Requirements

The following establishes requirements for roadway construction and developments under the City of Dunwoody's jurisdiction:

A. Roadway projects should provide appropriate accommodations for all users of the transportation system, including pedestrians, bicyclists, mass transit riders, people with disabilities, senior citizens, motorists, freight providers, emergency responders, and adjacent land owners;
B. Roadway projects should make use of the latest and best design standards, policies, and guidelines;
C. Solutions should be developed to fit within the context(s) of the community and those solutions should be flexible so that the needs of the corridor can be met;
D. Where necessary, the City shall work with other agencies that maintain rights-of-way within the City limits to request the Complete Streets Policy is considered and practiced;
E. For resurfacing projects on streets designated in the Comprehensive Transportation Plan as bike facilities or bike routes, the City will consider retrofitting bike lanes provided

that the additional cost is not excessively disproportionate to the cost of resurfacing alone.

III. Exemptions

The Complete Streets Policy shall not apply to:

A. Street resurfacing except as noted in section II.E above and other o~~O~~rdinary maintenance activities designed to keep assets in serviceable condition (e.g.: mowing, cleaning, sweeping, spot repair, and regular/seasonal maintenance);
B. Roadways that bicyclists and pedestrians are prohibited by law from using;
C. Incidences that have extreme topographic or natural resource constraints;
D. Cases where a reasonable and equivalent alternative already exists for certain users;
E. A documented absence of current or future need exists.

IV. Definitions

When used in this policy, the following words, terms and phrases, and their derivations, shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning,

A. AGENT means an official contracted or subcontracted person who is authorized to act on behalf of the City of Dunwoody and represent their interests.

B. CITY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS means the Director of Public Works or other employee or agent as designated in writing by the City Manager.

C. EMPLOYEE means an individual drawing a salary or wage from the City whether on a full-time, part-time basis or contractual third-party. The term shall encompass all members of the Governing Authority without regard to whether or not such individual is compensated.

D. GOVERNING AUTHORITY means the City entity responsible for the contract.

F. OFFICIAL means any elected or appointed person who holds office or serves in a position of public capacity, including those persons contracted by the City to serve in said official capacity.

V. Responsibility

A. The Director of Public Works shall:

1. Work with all department heads to make certain that employees are aware and educated about the Complete Streets Policy.
2. Work with all department heads to make certain that this Complete Streets Policy is implemented through the City's capital and maintenance programs and projects.