

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING IN CONCEPT THE 2024 SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation’s (“ODOT”) Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program provides resources, technical assistance and project funding for Local Public Agencies (LPAs) and school systems to encourage and enable students in grades K-12 to safely walk or ride their bike to school; and

WHEREAS, for a city to be eligible to apply for funds, the community must develop a comprehensive School Travel Plan that identifies both infrastructure and non-infrastructure safety improvements, countermeasures, and educational programs; and

WHEREAS, in order for the City to be eligible to apply for future infrastructure projects and non-infrastructure programs listed within the School Travel Plan, an updated plan needs to be formally submitted to ODOT; and

WHEREAS the City of Hudson’s School Travel Plan (“STP”) was last updated in 2011; and

WHEREAS in 2023, ODOT notified the City that it had been selected for a grant that would fund the development of a new School Travel Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2023–2024 Safe Routes to School efforts were led by a core team representing the City of Hudson and a larger team representing Hudson City Schools, Hudson Community First, the Hudson Police Department, and the Hudson City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City and the core working group worked with ODOT’s traffic safety consultant, Toole Design, to develop the new STP plan, which was completed in July, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Once approved by Council and then ODOT, the STP plan will be used for future Safe Routes to School grant funding applications for future sidewalk, crosswalk, striping, signage or traffic calming features improvements that would make student travel to/from schools safer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Hudson, Summit County, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1. That the City of Hudson Safe Routes to School Travel Plan, dated July 2024, attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated herein, is hereby approved and adopted.

Section 2. That the aforesaid recitals are rendered to be the findings of this Council and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

I certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 24-103 was duly passed by the Council of said Municipality on _____, 2024.

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council