CITY OF LINCOLN
EXECUTIVE ORDER
NO. 086476

BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME by the Charter of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:

I hereby accept and approve on behalf of the City, the attached Administrative Regulation No. 35 establishing a policy for the development of Complete Streets.

The City Clerk is directed to return an executed copy of this Executive Order and Administrative Regulation No. 35 to the Mayor's Office.

Dated this 12th day of Sept., 2013.

Chris Beutler, Mayor of Lincoln

Approved as to Form & Legality:

Chief Asst. City Attorney

David Sande
Urban Development Department

Martin Krent, Director
Planning Department

Judith Abraham
Health Department

Wynn Johnson
Public Works and Utilities Department

Parks and Recreation Department

Building and Safety Department
PURPOSE:

To support and encourage the design and operation of a transportation system that is safe and convenient for all users, regardless of age, ability, or mode of transportation through the development of Complete Streets.

DEFINITION:

Complete Streets are public and private streets that include some combination of appropriate infrastructure, as determined by the surrounding context, that accommodate all modes of transportation, including private vehicles, mass transit, walking, and bicycling.

POLICY:

1. City of Lincoln departments, as applicable, in conjunction with projects relating to the design, planning, construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation of public and private streets, or development projects which would substantially impact or cause construction of public or private streets, shall:
   a. Begin the design, planning and development of the project with the goal of accommodating and giving full consideration to the accommodation of the transportation needs of all users, regardless of age or ability, including those traveling by private vehicle, mass transit, foot, and bicycle;
   b. Develop an inter-departmental process using existing staff and resources to ensure conformance with this Policy;
   c. Apply existing local standards and follow policies which support Complete Streets principles to the highest degree reasonable and consider waiving or modifying local standards and policies which are a barrier to or inconsistent with the development of Complete Streets;

2. A department may only exclude making Complete Street accommodations for specific transportation needs in a transportation project if such exclusion is based on a determination that:
   a. Specific Complete Streets principles are prohibited by law;
b. The cost of accommodating Complete Streets principles on a particular project would substantially exceed the public value to be realized, taking into consideration the need and probable use of the project as well as availability, prioritization and efficient use of funds;

c. A scarcity of population or other factors such as the physical character or context of the built environment surrounding the public streets, alleys and roads in the area indicates an absence of current or future need; or

d. Conformance with Complete Streets principles would substantially impair characteristics of public value, such as historical importance and neighborhood continuity.

3. The Planning Department, in conjunction with all City departments, shall provide an Annual Report to the Mayor, Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee and StarTran Advisory Board which outlines the progress made toward implementing this policy. The Annual Report may include the review of all current street standard plans, guides, regulations and standard drawings, and the identification of barriers to the development of Complete Streets.

The foregoing Administrative Regulation is hereby APPROVED.

Chris Beutler, Mayor of Lincoln