



City of Olathe

COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: 5/19/2020

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

STAFF CONTACT: Mary Jaeger / Beth Wright

SUBJECT: A Resolution to adopt the Downtown Active Transportation Plan.

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Consideration of Resolution No. 20-1035 adopting the Downtown Active Transportation Plan.

SUMMARY:

The City currently has completed a Downtown Active Transportation Plan that included recommendations for establishing multimodal connections from regional attractions and trails to Downtown Olathe, a Kansas Avenue Streetscape and a Complete Streets Policy. A presentation of the Downtown Active Transportation Plan was provided at the April 21, 2020 City Council meeting.

The regional connections include Lake Olathe, Mill Creek trails which extend to the Kansas River and the Indian Creek trails which provide access to the Missouri state line. The connections included 23 conceptual projects along with estimated costs for each project. The report also identified opportunities to include the recommendations with other CIP projects, which will reduce the cost of a stand along project.

The Downtown Active Transportation Plan also provided recommendations for the Kansas Avenue streetscape between Santa Fe and Cedar Street. A key component of the streetscape includes a cycle track that will be physically separated from the adjacent vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

The Complete Streets portion of the Plan recommended elements to be adopted in a Complete Streets resolution. A complete streets resolution provides guidelines for safe travel for all modes of transportation and aesthetic treatments. The policy also enhances the City's ability to compete for MARC, State and Federal grant funding.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

ACTION NEEDED:

Approval of Resolution No. 20-1035 adopting the Downtown Active Transportation Plan.

ATTACHMENT(S):

A. Resolution