

RESOLUTION NO. 06-2015

To Establish a Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board for the City of Worthington, Ohio, Outlining its Functions and Providing for the Appointment of Members Thereof.

WHEREAS, the City of Worthington desires to enhance the quality of life of its residents and foster the economic vitality of the community; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Worthington wishes to promote the health and wellness of its citizens through the provision of recreational opportunities and safe and accommodating bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan of the City encourages planning for the bicycle and pedestrian mobility needs of the community, as well as the construction of sidewalk, trail, path and bicycle lane connections throughout Worthington; and,

WHEREAS, it is desirable for residents, businesses and visitors to have access to multiple modes of transportation, including excellent bicycle and pedestrian facilities, to meet their mobility needs; and,

WHEREAS, an extensive, planned, connected and well-maintained network of bicycle and pedestrian facilities solidifies and enhances Worthington's attractiveness as a place to live, work, play and locate a business.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That there is hereby established a Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board to be composed of nine (9) members appointed by the Worthington City Council, seven (7) of which must reside in the corporate boundaries of the City of Worthington.

SECTION 2. Terms and Vacancies. The members of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board shall be divided into three (3) groups, with each group consisting of an equal number of members to the extent possible. The first group shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year expiring on May 31, 2016, the second group shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years expiring on May 31, 2017, and the third group shall be appointed to a term of three (3) years expiring on May 31, 2018. Successors to members of each group shall be appointed to three (3) year terms, with the intent that approximately one-third (1/3) of the members will be appointed annually. Vacancies for unexpired terms will be filled by a majority vote of the Worthington City Council.

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SECTION 3. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board duties shall include but not be limited to the following:

1. Advise and consult with the City Council and City Administration on the implementation of bicycle and pedestrian plans, as requested.
2. Maintain familiarity of regional bicycle and pedestrian projects.
3. Seek public input and make recommendations to the City Council and City Administration on updates to the City's bicycle and pedestrian plans.
4. Review progress on the implementation of the City's bicycle and pedestrian plans.
5. Provide input on standards, guidelines, best practices or changes to the City's Comprehensive Plan or Codified Ordinances that relate to improving bicycle and pedestrian access in Worthington.
6. Provide input on the design, safety, operation and maintenance of bicycle and pedestrian ways, when requested.
7. Advise the City Council and City Administration on priorities for capital funding of bicycle and pedestrian projects as part of the City's budgetary process.
8. Support bicycle and pedestrian safety education and efforts to promote Worthington as a bicycle and pedestrian friendly community.

SECTION 4. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair at the beginning of each calendar year, at which time it shall also establish a calendar of meetings and adopt necessary rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings.

SECTION 5. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board shall be reviewed by City Council at the end of the third full year of its existence to determine whether the goals and objectives of the City in the creation of the Board are being met and whether the continuation of the Board is advisable and recommended.

SECTION 6. That the Clerk be and hereby is instructed to record this Resolution in the appropriate record book.

Adopted: March 2, 2015

/s/ Bonnie D. Michael
President of Council

Attest:

/s/ D. Kay Thress
Clerk of Council