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**WHEREAS**, the Village of Alsip is a vibrant, diverse, residential, industrial community and the Complete Streets Policy will promote and improve the overall health and safety by enabling the design, creation, and provision walking and bike paths within Alsip for safer and alternative means of transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Alsip is well-positioned to take advantage of the Chicago region's transportation infrastructure through the 1-294 interchange and a roadway network including 127th Street, Cicero Avenue, and Pulaski Road which provides accessibility to major employment centers, hospitals, universities, parks, other interstates (1-57, 1-55, and 1-80), and both Midway International Airport and O'Hare International Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Alsip recognizes both the trucking needs of its industrial businesses and the needs of its residents to safely access areas throughout the municipality, and the Village recognizes the need to routinely plan and design streets for all users, including people of all ages and abilities, to provide for the accessibility, mobility, safety, convenience, and comport of motorists, freight, cyclists and transit riders, and pedestrians; and

**WHEREAS**, implementing this Complete Streets Policy is a priority on all corridors and routes, and transportation and development projects shall be treated as an opportunity to offer improvements in access and connectivity to Alsip's services, businesses, neighborhoods, schools, parks, trails, and adjacent communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Alsip is committed to improving connection points for the Cal-Sag Bike Trail and access for truck traffic, pedestrians, and freights using the roadway together.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Alsip, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1: User and Modes:** The Village of Alsip, where permitted, shall accommodate all users of the road, including pedestrians, persons with disabilities, bicyclists, transit users, emergency responders and drivers of automobiles, to connect various parts of town while still intergrading freight with all modes of traffic so as to allow for better access to the Cal-Sag Trail, walking in streets, and for the public to access places of employment and places of business.

**Section 2: Projects and Phases:** This Complete Streets Policy will be integrated into policies, planning, and design of all types of public and private projects, including new construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, repair, maintenance of transportation facilities on streets and redevelopment projects. The Village of Alsip recognizes Complete Streets may be achieved through single elements incorporated into a particular project or incrementally through a series of smaller improvements of maintenance activities over time. As roadway projects occur, maintenance of parkway trees, signage, ADA ramps, street lighting, and bus stops pads shall be considered.

**Section 3: Exceptions:** Any exceptions to applying this Complete Streets policy must be approved by the Village Board, accompanied by documentation that indicates:

- A. the cost of establishing bicycle or pedestrian facilities would be excessively disproportionate to the need or probable use; or
- B. The absence of use by all except motorized users or other factors that indicate an absence of need, with consideration given to future users; or
- C. Non-motorized users are prohibited by law

Ordinary maintenance activities designed to keep the public right of way in serviceable condition (e.g. mowing, cleaning, sweeping, patching, basic repair, and other interim surface treatments) may be exempt from this policy.

**Section 4: Network:** The Village shall take initiative to establish a connected network of Complete Streets that link residences, schools, library, parks, businesses, trails, transit, and the Cal-Sag Trail, pursuant to this initiative.

Future roadway projects shall be used as opportunities to improve safety, access, and mobility for users of the public way and to further integrate bicycle, pedestrian, and transit modes into the transportation system.

**Section 5: All Agencies:** The Village will coordinate with private entities and external agencies, including Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways, Illinois Department of Transportation, Alsip Library, Alsip Park District, Friends of the Cal-Sag Trail, Metropolitan

Water Reclamation District, Pace, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, Southwest Council of Mayors, local school districts, citizens, commercial businesses, and industrial businesses to ensure that all roadways and intersections within the Village of Alsip meet the local and community standards in accordance with the Ordinance, regardless of jurisdiction.

**Section 6: Design Guidelines:** Toward a goal of balancing the needs of users and allowing for flexibility during design, the Village will continue to follow industry design standards when implementing roadway and transportation improvements and will consider innovative or non-traditional design options.

The Village shall also reference applicable local land use regulatory documents, such as:

Alsip Comprehensive Plan  
Cicero Avenue Corridor Plan  
Pulaski Road Corridor Plan  
Southwest Council of Mayors Bike Plan  
Cal-Sag Bike Trail Plan

**Section 7: Context Sensitivity:** In planning and implementing street projects, all departments and agencies of the Village of Alsip will maintain sensitivity to local conditions in both residential and business districts and will work with residents, merchants, and other stakeholders to ensure a strong sense of place.

**Section 8: Performance Measures:** In order to evaluate the Village's progress toward implementation of the Complete Streets approach, the Village will use the following performance measures.

1. Miles of new sidewalk
2. Number of sidewalk gaps closed
3. Number of installed traffic calming measures
4. Grant funding
5. Public Participation
6. Trees planted
7. Number of installed or improved lighting
8. Number of installed or improved crossings
9. Number of installed or improved signage

Superintendent of Streets will report annually to the Finance Department. If any exceptions occur, the Public Works Committee will give recommendations to the Village Board. The Alsip Village Board will consider exceptions.

**Section 9: Implementation:** Implementation of Alsip's Complete Streets Policy shall be the responsibility of Appointed Officials and Village Departments. Training on Complete Streets,

active transportation policies, and non-motorized options will be the responsibility of all departments of the Village of Alsip, and ongoing training will occur.

**Section 10:** All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed insofar as they conflict herewith.

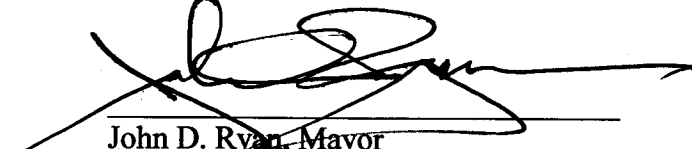
**Section 11:** If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provisions of this Ordinance.

**Section 12:** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

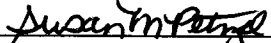
PASSED by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Alsip, Cook County, Illinois on August 19, 2019, by the following roll call vote:

|              | YES | NO | ABSENT | ABSTAIN |
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| DALZELL      |     |    |        |         |
| ZIELINSKI    |     |    |        |         |
| JUAREZ       |     |    |        |         |
| McLAWHORN    |     |    |        |         |
| MURPHY       |     |    |        |         |
| NAVA-ESPARZA |     |    |        |         |
| MAYOR RYAN   |     |    |        |         |
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| TOTAL        |     |    |        |         |

APPROVED:

  
John D. Ryan, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Susan M. Petzel, Village Clerk