

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEGUIN, TEXAS ADOPTING A SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY ACTION PLAN; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Vision Zero is a globally recognized initiative to eliminate traffic-related serious injuries and deaths; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seguin is recognized and strives to be continually acknowledged as a healthy, attractive, desirable, and safe City; and

WHEREAS, the number of deaths and serious injuries on public streets is a serious health problem necessitating public action; and

WHEREAS, crashes on public streets necessitate a comprehensive and specific approach to infrastructure enhancements, traffic enforcement and regulations, public education and awareness, data analysis and monitoring, equity and accessibility, and collaboration and partnership; and

WHEREAS, 17 people in the City lost their lives to traffic deaths in 2018-2022; and

WHEREAS, on September 3, 2024, Mayor Donna Dodgen signed 2024R-193 which adopted the Safe Streets and Roads For All Comprehensive Safety Action Plan vision statement and target for achieving zero traffic fatalities; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan Vision Statement of “Striving for a safer community, Seguin is dedicated to developing an equitable transportation network that prioritizes safety, preserves all lives, and maintains the existing community character. As regional leaders, our mission is to identify and mitigate vulnerabilities to establish the standard for regional safety and inclusive transportation for all users”; and

WHEREAS, the City aligns with the Texas Department of Transportation’s Road to Zero goals by adopting the goal of 50% reduction in traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2035 and zero by 2050, stating that no loss of life or serious injury is acceptable on our streets; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan utilized a data-driven approach and best practices to outline strategies and actions towards achieving zero deaths.

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan puts equity at its forefront, striving to address the hazards on the highest risks parts of the transportation network and reduce the harm to the most vulnerable and dependent users.

WHEREAS, upon adoption by the Seguin City Council, City Staff will begin implementing the action item; now, therefore

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Seguin, Texas:

SECTION 1. The City adopts the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan as the guiding document to achieve the goal of 50% reduction in traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2035 and zero by 2050, stating that no loss of life or serious injury is acceptable on our streets.

SECTION 2. The City of Seguin is committed to measuring the progress, challenges, and success of the zero traffic deaths commitment and will do so on an annual basis with tangible, reportable metrics outlined in the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan.

SECTION 3. The City of Seguin acknowledges that the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan may result in changes to the City's approach to the planning and design of streets and other policy related to eliminating traffic fatalities and serious injuries.

SECTION 4. The City of Seguin will work with partners who own, manage, and use streets within the City of Seguin to influence street planning, design, maintenance, operations, and law enforcement.

SECTION 5. This resolution is effective on the date of its passing.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024.

Donna Dodgen
Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristin Mueller
City Secretary

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