

## RESOLUTION NO. 22-52

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE UPDATED LANCASTER SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, the City adopted Resolution No. 17-27 in 2017, approving the City of Lancaster Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, significant changes to the built environment, school attendance zones, the economy, local work, travel patterns, and demographics have occurred since 2016, the City's Safe Routes to School Master Plan needed to be updated; and

WHEREAS, this is an ongoing collaborative effort between the City of Lancaster, Antelope Valley Partners for Health, as well as the four school districts located within the City of Lancaster; and

WHEREAS, the City's vision is to create a plan that promotes public health through safe physical activity among the City's students and their families and guardians, through the strategic application of the "7 E's" of successful SRTS plans, specifically, Education, Encouragement, Equity, Engineering, Enforcement, Engagement, and Evaluation; and

WHEREAS, when implemented, this plan will improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists within school neighborhoods, and notably including schools within communities with higher pollution burdens and concentrations of low-income and zero-vehicle households; and

WHEREAS, the City has made a diligent effort to achieve public participation in the updating of the SRTS Master Plan, including virtual walk audits of all elementary and junior high schools, education sessions, public engagement, and the involvement of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby approves the SRTS Master Plan update as a living document and program for the purpose of:

1. Building on and complementing the City's adopted Master Plan of Trails and Bikeways, the Local Road Safety Plan and Program, and the Environmental Justice Element of the General Plan, further increasing opportunities for residents of various ages and abilities to travel safely through non-motorized means, including walking, bicycling, skating, scooting or rolling.
2. Provide the basis for requesting, and improving the opportunities of receiving, additional funding to install vital infrastructure improvements related to active transportation, such as sidewalks, bike facilities, signals, crosswalks, and traffic calming devices and strategies.
3. The SRTS Master Plan is an important component of the City's vision for a Livable Community, which includes health, safety, economic vitality, and sustainability.

4. The SRTS Master Plan is one of many steps to create a healthier and more active Lancaster.

5. The SRTS Master Plan is an important component of the City's Vision Zero Policy per City Council Resolution No. 22-48, establishing a policy to work towards zero traffic deaths and severe injuries in the City of Lancaster by 2050.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, AS FOLLOWS:

This City Council hereby adopts the Updated Safe Routes to School Master Plan.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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ANDREA ALEXANDER  
City Clerk  
City of Lancaster

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R. REX PARRIS  
Mayor  
City of Lancaster

STATE OF CALIFORNIA                    )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES            ) ss  
CITY OF LANCASTER                    )

CERTIFICATION OF RESOLUTION  
CITY COUNCIL

I, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ City of Lancaster, California,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution No. 22-52, for which  
the original is on file in my office.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, on this \_\_\_\_\_  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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