Village of Willow Springs

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-R-01

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
COMPLETE STREETS POLICY
FOR THE VILLAGE OF WILLOW SPRINGS ON
JANUARY 28, 2016

Whereas; Willow Springs is home to miles of scenic trails connecting
to each other and to the natural beauty of the Village, and

Whereas; the Village of Willow Springs desires to ensure environmentally
friendly modes of transportation for residents and visitors alike, and

Whereas; the Village recognizes bicyclists, pedestrians, and motorists as
equal partners in its transportation planning, and desires to provide a safe,
connected network of travel options, and

Whereas; Willow Springs views recreation as a means to improve economics,
tourism, and the vitalization of the community, and

Whereas; the Village strives to maintain its identity as a friendly, close-knit
community which offers recreational outlets to promote fun, healthy lifestyles,
and

Whereas; the Village acknowledges it is essential to incorporate safety in
all of its planned improvements, and

Whereas; Willow Springs seeks to utilize its waterways as an asset in
providing connectivity throughout the Village, and

Whereas; the Village ascribes to principles of progressive redevelopment
to foster community interaction, awareness, and pride, and

Whereas; the Village commits to improve the quality of life in our
historic, inviting community,

Now therefore be it resolved:

1. All Users and Modes: The Village of Willow Springs will accommodate all users,
   enhance access, recognize and design in the following order: pedestrians,
bicyclists, transit users, motorists and freight.
2. **All Phases:** The Willow Springs Complete Streets Policy will be applied to all public right-of-way projects, including new construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, maintenance and planning of roadways, intersections, or other transportation facilities. Routes to key destinations will be prioritized.

3. **Exceptions:** Exceptions may be made on local roads when the cost of the amenity would exceed 20% of the project cost. The process for approving exceptions is outlined in the Implementation Section of this policy.

4. **Connectivity:** The Village of Willow Springs will strive to create a comprehensive, integrated and connected network of transportation options for all modes and users.

5. **All Agencies:** All transportation infrastructure and street design funded by the Village, private development, or other agencies and approved by the Village of Willow Springs will adhere to this Complete Street Policy. The Village will coordinate with private entities and external agencies, including the Illinois Department of Transportation and the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways, to ensure that all roadways and intersections within the Village of Willow Springs meet the local community standards in accordance with this Resolution, regardless of jurisdiction.

6. **Design Standards:** Design standards shall conform with the latest editions of the following:
   - IDOT Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction,
   - Highway Capacity Manual,
   - AASHTO Roadside Design Guidelines,
   - Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices,
   - Complete Streets Complete Networks,
   - Willow Springs Municipal Code,
   - FHWA Highway Safety Design Manual,
   - Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Watershed Management Ordinance

7. **Community Context:** The implementation of this policy will reflect the context and character of the surroundings and the Village’s natural and historical elements.

8. **Performance Standards:** When measuring the implementation of the complete streets approach the Village of Willow Springs will consider the following:
   - Crash data,
   - Warning or Traffic citations issued in school zones,
- Total miles of existing bike routes and sidewalks,
- Total miles of new bike routes and sidewalks,
- Total miles of repaved or reconstructed bike routes, sidewalks, and streets,
- Number of new pedestrian and bicycle amenities,
- Number of trees planted in the public right of way,

9. **Implementation**: The implementation of the Village of Willow Springs Complete Streets Policy will be the responsibility of the Village Administrator and the Complete Streets Committee.

The Village of Willow Springs will undertake the following steps:

- Training of the staff and elected officials on Complete Streets, active transportation policies, and non-motorized transportation options will be the responsibility of each Village of Willow Springs Department, as advised by the Complete Streets Steering Committee.

- The Village staff will review and revise as necessary plans, manuals, policies, processes and programs to encourage implementation of Complete Streets.

The process for design, development, and construction of Complete Streets projects will adhere to the following guidelines:

1. The Village Administrator will review all projects related to the public right of way
2. The Village Engineer will review projects as directed by the Administrator
3. The review process will include the project’s application to current street and sewer inventory reports
4. The Village Administrator and Staff will submit their finding to the Village Board and Complete Streets Committee
5. The Complete Streets Committee reviews the projects and submits recommendations to Streets Committee
6. The Streets Committee shall review and provide recommendations for the project
7. The project will be submitted for Village Board approval

The Village of Willow Springs will incorporate this process for local projects and exceptions to the Complete Streets Policy.
PASSED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Willow Springs, Cook County, Illinois this 28th. day of January 2016, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

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APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees, Cook County, Illinois on this 28th. day of January 2016.

ATTEST:

Alan Nowaczyk, Village President

Adena Baskovich, Village Clerk