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WHEREAS, the Village of Franklin Park, Cook County, Illinois (the "*Village*") is a duly organized and existing municipal corporation created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois and under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, as from time to time supplemented and amended; and

WHEREAS, the Village is a vibrant, diverse, residential, modern, industrial community and emerging technology center that benefits from well-connected and pedestrian-friendly streets and exceptional transportation assets. The Village is a progressive and advancing community that is home to a complement of industries, small businesses, and major manufacturers, making the Village the sixth largest manufacturing community in Illinois. Adjacent to the City of Chicago, but with a comfortable residential feel, the Village is fortunate to be a transportation hub connected to air, rail, public transit and major highway infrastructure with multiple transportation options; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets are designed to improve mobility and connectivity, increase physical exercise, increase safety, enhance neighborhoods, businesses, and institutions, and advance the quality of life for all Franklin Park citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Village views all transportation improvements as opportunities to connect neighborhoods, parks, schools, businesses, services, trails, and adjacent communities to calm traffic and improve safety, provide greater access and mobility for users of the public way, and recognizes bicycle, pedestrian, and transit modes as integral elements of the transportation system; and

WHEREAS, developing Complete Streets is a priority on all corridors and routes. Transportation and development projects shall be treated as an opportunity to offer improvements in access and connectivity. The Village's goal is to bring more cohesiveness to the community, making it more desirable place to live with healthier, happier residents, workers, and guests; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Franklin Park Comprehensive Plan promotes a transportation principle that Franklin Park residents should be able to drive, walk, or bike safely and conveniently throughout the Village for their daily needs and activities. The new Franklin Park Comprehensive Plan, which will be presented to the Village Board in August of 2017, designates bicycle routes and includes a key connection point for the Des Plaines River Trail, giving Village residents access to over 10 square miles of open space; and

WHEREAS, the Village is working with 11 neighboring communities and agency partners to develop the O'Hare Subregion Truck Routing and Infrastructure Plan, which will provide a more safe and conducive freight network to support the region's industrial economy and keeping truck routes off residential streets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Franklin Park, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2. The Village will strive to create a safe and efficient transportation system for users of all ages and abilities. The Village will ensure that the safety and convenience of all users of the transportation system are accommodated in all future roadway projects, including

pedestrians, bicyclists, mass transit users, people with disabilities, the youth, the elderly, motorcyclists, private motorists, commercial vehicle drivers, train and truck freight providers, emergency responders, and adjacent land users.

Section 3. Complete Streets goals shall be applied to all roadway improvement projects, including new construction, public space improvements, reconstruction, street surfacing, grading, and water and sewer projects, as well as into all phases of roadway projects including scoping, programming, planning, design, construction, maintenance, and operations.

Section 4. Exceptions to the Complete Streets policy must be documented in writing by either the Director of Public Works or Village Engineer with supporting data that indicates the reason for the decisions, limited to the following: 1) non-motorized users are prohibited on the roadway; 2) there is documentation that there is an absence of current and future need; 3) the cost of accommodations for a mode is excessively disproportionate to the need and potential benefit of a project; and 4) the project involves ordinary maintenance activities designed to keep assets in acceptable condition, such as cleaning, sealing, spot repairs, patching, and surface treatments, such as micro-surfacing. Exceptions to applying this Complete Streets policy must be approved by the Director of Community Development. The Director of Community Development shall keep documentation of the exceptions on file with the department.

Section 5. It shall be the goal of the Village to foster partnerships with the State of Illinois, Cook County, the Regional Transportation Authority, Metra, Pace, local school districts, local park districts, the Franklin Park Public Library and other Franklin Park stakeholders to enhance local connectivity. Future development in Franklin Park shall proceed in a manner that expands opportunities to access parks, trails, recreation facilities, transit stops and other public amenities, schools, and the Ice Arena. The Village shall coordinate with neighboring

municipalities and jurisdictions to enhance regional connectivity to further the Village's Complete Streets policy, promoting the continuation of such facilities and accommodations beyond the Village's borders.

Section 6. The Village shall take the initiative to engage in proactive coordination with private developers and external agencies, including the Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, and the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways to ensure that roadways and intersections within the Village meet the local community standards, regardless of jurisdiction.

Section 7. In order to evaluate the Village's progress toward implementation of the Complete Streets approach, the Village will use the following performance measures: 1) linear feet of new pedestrian accommodation; 2) school walk/bike rates collected through the National Center for Safe Routes to School Student Travel Tallies; 3) number of new ADA compliant curb ramps installed along Village streets; and 4) annual pedestrian and bike crash data analysis. The Village will make every effort to share this information through the Village newsletter, local media outlets, and social media. The Village will review performance measures annually, and share those results at the annual Complete Streets Steering Committee meeting.

Section 8. In order to best balance the needs of all users and provide increased flexibility in design, the Village shall develop design guidelines in accordance with the most up-to-date standards, requirements and recommendations as provided by, but not limited to:

- American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials
 - Guide for the Planning, Design and Operation of Pedestrian Facilities*
 - Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities*
- National Association of City Transportation Officials
 - Urban Bikeway Design Guide*
 - Street Design Guide*
 - Transit Street Design Guide*
- Illinois Department of Transportation

Bureau of Design and Environment Manual
The Access Board
Pedestrian Rights-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)
FHWA- PEDSAFE
Pedestrian Safety Guide and Countermeasures Section
Institute of Transportation Engineers
Designing Walkable Urban Thoroughfares: A Context Sensitive Approach
American Planning Association
U.S. Traffic Calming Manual
Complete Streets: Best Policy and Implementation Practices
Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways
Complete Streets, Complete Networks

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

Franklin Park Comprehensive Plan
Village of Franklin Park Downtown Zoning Code
~~Village of~~ Franklin Park – O’Hare Industrial Corridor Plan
O’Hare Subregion Truck Routing and Infrastructure Plan
West Central Municipal Conference Active Transportation Plan

Section 9. In order to advance the implementation of the Complete Streets approach, the Village will undertake the following steps:

- a) The Village shall incorporate Complete Streets into budgeting processes, work plans, and staffing projections and consider Complete Streets as one of the priorities in roadway planning and funding decisions;
- b) Village staff shall prioritize the safe movement of pedestrians, bicycle and public transportation traffic in decisions regarding the use of the public right-of-way, with consideration given to roadway context and land use;
- c) Village staff will review and revise as necessary the plans, manuals, policies, processes and programs to encourage the implementation of Complete Streets; and
- d) The Complete Streets Committee will meet annually to assess progress towards Complete Streets goals.

Section 10. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

Section 11. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 12. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval to ensure that the license herein contemplated is issued forthwith.

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ADOPTED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Franklin Park, Cook County, Illinois this 14th day of August 2017, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	PRESENT
CAPORUSSO	X				
JOHNSON	X				
MCLEAN	X				
RUHL	X				
SPECIAL	X				
YBARRA	X				
PRESIDENT PEDERSEN					
TOTAL	6				

APPROVED by the President of the Village of Franklin Park, Cook County, Illinois on this 14th day of August 2017.

 BARRETT F. PEDERSEN
 VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

 IRENE AVITIA
 VILLAGE CLERK