

RESOLUTION NO. 17-2023

TITLE: “BARBERTON ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN”

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BARBERTON TO ENACT A “BARBERTON ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN” TO CREATE A LIVABLE, COMPLETE, AND WALKABLE STREET; TO AID THE CITY OF BARBERTON PERSONNEL IN THE DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION AND FUTURE USE OF LIVABLE, COMPLETE, BIKEABLE AND WALKABLE STREETS FOR FUTURE CITY OF BARBERTON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.

WHEREAS, livable, complete bikeable and walkable streets address certain economic, environmental, and public health needs of our community by creating multipurpose transportation networks that better accommodate all users of the public right of way; and

WHEREAS, the City of Barberton is committed to the creation and maintenance of a network of livable, complete bikeable and/or walkable streets that will improve the economic, environmental and social well-being of all Barberton citizens; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of this Resolution is to adapt a Plan that assists in developing recommendations for use in strategic transportation plans from which complete bikeable and/or walkable street improvements will be drawn, keeping in mind pedestrians, cyclists and the environment; and

THAT proactive strategic planning that identifies major transportation investments will enable the City of Barberton to develop a more fiscally sound, socially and environmentally sustainable Capital Investment and Community Development Program; and

WHEREAS, the development and implementation of a livable, complete, bikeable and/or walkable streets plan, in consultation with the Plan, will identify future transportation projects for inclusion in the capital budget – better linking the City’s tactical implementation of projects to an overall strategic vision; and

WHEREAS, a network of livable, complete bikeable and/or walkable streets will provide safe and desirable travel for users of all ages and abilities and accommodate pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit users; and

WHEREAS, livable, complete and/or walkable streets are a key component of efforts to create vibrant, economically dynamic and equitable places in our neighborhoods, and have been successful in other municipalities at attracting private investment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Barberton, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the “Barberton Active Transportation Plan” be and is hereby adapted to read as follows:

“Barberton Active Transportation Plan”

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed February 27, 2023

Clerk of Council

President of Council

Approved _____ 2023

Mayor