

RESOLUTION NO. R2023-55

CITY OF BELLA VISTA, ARKANSAS

ADOPTING A COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY ACTION PLAN AND VISION ZERO POLICY

WHEREAS, the City of Bella Vista is a member of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, on May 25, 2022, the Board of Directors of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC) approved Resolution #2022-9 authorizing the submittal of an application to the U.S. Department of Transportation for a FY2022 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Discretionary Grant to prepare a Regional Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP); and

WHEREAS, the proposed Regional Comprehensive Safety Action Plan was developed through consultation with expert stakeholders, the SS4A CSAP working group, and public outreach across Northwest Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, street crashes are one of the leading causes of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, no one should die or be seriously injured while traveling on our streets; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero supports a paradigm shift toward making streets safer for all people by prioritizing the safety of those most at risk of death and serious injury; and

WHEREAS, making streets safer for all people using all modes of transportation will encourage people to travel on foot, by bicycle, and by public transit, which supports a healthier more active lifestyle and reduces environmental pollution; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2023, the Board of Directors of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission adopted the CSAP and a Vision Zero Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Bella Vista Planning Commission conducted a public hearing and voted to recommend adoption;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLA VISTA, ARKANSAS:

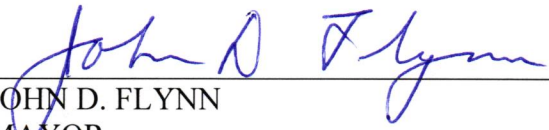
SECTION 1: The City of Bella Vista adopts the Regional Comprehensive Safety Action Plan attached hereto as if set out word for word in this Resolution.

SECTION 2: The City of Bella Vista adopts a Vision Zero Policy which includes the goal of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries to zero by 2038 and endorses Vision Zero as a comprehensive and holistic approach to achieving this goal.

ADOPTED THIS 23RD DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023.




APPROVED:



JOHN D. FLYNN
MAYOR

ATTEST:



WANDA KRUG
CITY CLERK

Requested by Mayor
Prepared by Jason Kelley, Staff Attorney