

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGAME
ADOPTING THE COUNTYWIDE LOCAL ROADWAY SAFETY PLAN AND
ACCOMPANYING VISION ZERO GOAL**

WHEREAS, according to data from the California Strategic Highway Safety Plan, 17,317 people have been killed in traffic collisions in California from 2013 through 2017, for an average of 9.5 people per day; and

WHEREAS, from 2018 to 2022, a reported 48 crashes resulted in severe, life-changing injuries or deaths on non-freeway roadways in Burlingame, an average of ten per year; and

WHEREAS, one death on Burlingame streets is one too many, and Burlingame is dedicated to strategies that aim to reduce and eliminate deaths and serious injuries on streets in all jurisdictions countywide; and

WHEREAS, seniors, children, people of color, people with disabilities, people in low-income communities, people walking, and people bicycling face a disproportionate risk of traffic injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, based on crash data analysis and community and interest group engagement, the Countywide Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP) identifies pedestrian and bicyclist safety, nighttime/low light safety, unsignalized intersections on arterial/collector roadways, safety for youth and aging populations, speed-related roadway crashes, roadways with posted speeds 35 mph or higher, and impaired driving as emphasis areas for safety improvement; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero is a public health-based traffic safety strategy to reduce and eventually eliminate traffic deaths and serious injuries using a data-driven, multi-disciplinary, and Safe System approach that also increases safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all; and

WHEREAS, the Safe System Approach recognizes that while human error will always occur, a system of redundant engineering and non-engineering solutions can reduce crashes and can prevent crashes from causing death or severe injuries; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has made a commitment

to eliminating fatalities and serious injuries on the nation's roadways using a Safe System approach to achieve the goals of Vision Zero; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration and State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) grant funding for improving safety requires the preparation and implementation of a systematic approach to improve safety as presented in the Countywide LRSP (Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, Caltrans has adopted the goal of moving “toward zero deaths” by incorporating the Safe System Approach and using proven effective strategies and countermeasures; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) passed a Vision Zero policy in 2020 that identified actions to support agencies like Burlingame; and

WHEREAS, Burlingame participated in the Advisory Group formed to oversee the Countywide LRSP’s development; and

WHEREAS, Burlingame has received a federal safety planning grant to supplement the Countywide LRSP with its own local safety planning.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Burlingame adopts Vision Zero as its guiding principle for transportation planning, in conjunction with C/CAG adopting this vision at the County level; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Burlingame will use the upcoming safety planning grant to set a goal to eliminate traffic-related deaths and serious injuries by an appropriate target to be determined by the City Council as part of the development of a Comprehensive Roadway Safety Plan and Vision Zero Goal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Burlingame shall pursue the recommended near-and long-term policy, program, and guidelines recommendations identified in the LRSP, with the overriding goal of eliminating traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Burlingame will adopt the location prioritization framework and use the resulting top locations within the City identified in the Countywide LRSP, which locations were prioritized including considerations of social equity through the use of data; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Burlingame shall participate in an inter-jurisdictional Transportation Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC) led by C/CAG, to include staff from constituent jurisdictions along with partner agencies identified in the LRSP; and which will be used to implement the LRSP and integrate the Safe System approach into all aspects of transportation planning and engineering; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Burlingame adopts the Countywide Local Roadway Safety Plan which summarizes specific action items to be taken by Burlingame and partner agencies and the recommended timing to address the listed emphasis areas; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the LRSP will be implemented in an equitable manner, accounting for historic inequities in transportation and safety investments across the city; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, consistent with the implementation and tracking recommendations in the Countywide LRSP and with Burlingame’s specific Comprehensive Roadway Safety Plan, Burlingame will develop an annual update on progress toward the Vision Zero goals, tracking process and outcome metrics, and present these updates to the Burlingame City Council.

Donna Colson, Mayor

I, Meaghan Hassel-Shearer, City Clerk of the City of Burlingame, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 18th day of November, 2024, and was adopted thereafter by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:

Meaghan Hassel-Shearer, City Clerk