## CITY OF DEXTER, MISSOURI RESOLUTION NO. [ 2025.03 ]

# A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY STRATEGY TO ELIMINATE FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES THROUGH VISION ZERO PRINCIPLES AND A SAFE SYSTEM APPROACH

**WHEREAS,** the City of Dexter recognizes that the safety and well-being of its residents, workers, and visitors are of the highest priority; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is committed to reducing and ultimately eliminating fatalities and serious injuries in traffic-related incidents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City acknowledges that a comprehensive, multi-pronged approach is essential to address safety challenges effectively, including education, enforcement, infrastructure improvements, and the promotion of a proactive safety culture;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF DEXTER, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

#### **Section 1: Vision Zero Implementation**

The City of Dexter adopts the principles of Vision Zero, committing to the goal of eliminating all traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries while promoting safe, healthy, and equitable mobility for all by 2030.

#### Section 2: Safe System Approach

The City shall pursue a Safe System approach that recognizes human error as inevitable and emphasizes system-level design solutions—such as reduced speed limits, safer intersections, and improved roadway design—that minimize the consequences of mistakes.

#### Section 3: Focus on High-Risk Activities

City departments shall prioritize safety efforts by identifying high-risk activities and scenarios, with the goal of addressing root causes and precursor behaviors that lead to severe injury or death.

#### Section 4: Proactive Hazard Identification

The City will implement regular safety audits, risk assessments, and near-miss analyses to proactively identify and mitigate hazards in both public infrastructure and workplace environments.

#### **Section 5: Enforcement and Compliance**

The Dexter Police Department and related enforcement agencies shall continue strict enforcement of speed limits, seatbelt usage, impaired and distracted driving laws, and other regulations essential to public safety.

#### Section 6: Infrastructure Improvements

The City will invest in infrastructure enhancements including but not limited to safer road designs, pedestrian crossings, sidewalks, and bike lanes to ensure a safer environment for all road users.

### Section 7: Workplace Safety

City departments and contractors shall maintain rigorous workplace safety protocols, including use of personal protective equipment (PPE), regular safety training, and regular safety inspections.

#### **Section 8: Education and Awareness**

The City will collaborate with partners and support public education campaigns to raise awareness about safe driving, pedestrian behaviors, and occupational safety standards, targeting all community stakeholders.

#### Section 9: Data Analysis and Continuous Improvement

A framework of continuous improvement will be driven through the collection and analysis of crash and incident data, enabling data-driven policy decisions and program adjustments.

#### Section 10: Collaboration and Communication

The City of Dexter shall work collaboratively with state and federal agencies, school districts, community groups, and safety organizations to implement and sustain these safety measures.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City shall review and report progress on the above initiatives annually, ensuring accountability and transparency in the pursuit of a safer Dexter for all. The target date for achieving zero roadway fatalities and serious injuries will be 2030.

PASSED AND APPROVED this day of June , 2025.

Mayor of Dexter, Missouri

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ATTEST: