

MODEL BIKEWAYS RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION
NO. 94

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING A COMPREHENSIVE BIKEWAY PLANNING PROGRAM FOR THE PANAMA CITY URBANIZED AREA; EXPRESSING A WILLINGNESS TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLAN; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the United States Congress, through passage of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982, established a national policy of promoting commuter modes of travel which conserve energy while reducing traffic congestion and air pollution, and the Federal Highway Administration and the Florida Department of Transportation are implementing this policy; and

WHEREAS, the Panama City Urbanized Area experiences traffic congestion and is projected to experience continuous growth through Year 1995, resulting in decreased road capacities, decreased urban space to construct new roads, increased traffic and parking congestion, and increased air pollution from vehicular exhaust; and

WHEREAS, the single-occupant vehicle commuter trip is the most wasteful of all petroleum uses and bicycles could be substituted for a significant percentage of short commuter and shopping trips; and

WHEREAS, the bicycle is the only form of transportation for children under driving age, for some elderly citizens, and for some students; and

WHEREAS, there have been 42 and 39 bicyclist accidents in Bay County during 1980 and 1981, respectively, with 3 fatalities in 1981; and

WHEREAS, there is no comprehensive plan for bicycle facilities, cycling education, and enforcement for the Panama City Urbanized Area;
NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Parker City Council :

SECTION 1. That the Parker City Council hereby endorses development of a comprehensive bikeways plan for the Panama City Urbanized Area by the staff of the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

SECTION 2. That the Parker City Council expresses a willingness to implement recommendations of the comprehensive bikeways plan, when adopted by the Metropolitan Planning Organization, by scheduling roadway construction and maintenance funds, insofar as budgets allow, for bikeway facilities construction, scheduled maintenance, and cleaning.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect upon its adoption by the Parker City Council and shall be published as required by law.

Passed and duly adopted by the Parker City Council
this 21st day of February, A.D., 1984.

BY: Earl Gilbert
Mayor

ATTEST: Bruce Anderson
Clerk