

RESOLUTION NO. 2757

**A RESOLUTION endorsing Vision Zero, for the City of Alexandria
To achieve zero traffic deaths and serious injuries on Alexandria streets by 2028**

WHEREAS, traffic crashes are among the leading cause of deaths and injuries in the world, the United States, and the City; and

WHEREAS, death and injury on our streets is unacceptable and serious crashes are preventable; and

WHEREAS, traffic deaths and serious injuries in the United States have disproportionately impacted people of color, low-income households, older adults and youth, people with disabilities, people with limited English proficiency, and households with limited vehicle access; and

WHEREAS, streets and transportation systems have traditionally been designed primarily for maximum vehicular capacity and mobility, rather than the safe accommodation of all modes and users; and

WHEREAS, the city's Strategic Goals include protecting the safety, health and security of its residents, businesses, employees and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero provides a framework for reducing traffic deaths and serious injuries to zero, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero focuses on safety as a primary objective for our transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the City has adopted an amendment to the Transportation Master Plan that includes a strategy to evaluate traffic deaths and develop a Vision Zero program that outlines the framework, budget and staffing needed to work towards eliminating pedestrian and bicycle related deaths and serious injuries in Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, successful Vision Zero programs are a result of both a complete government approach (i.e. interdepartmental, coordinated initiatives) and community support of Vision Zero objectives and action plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA:

1. The City of Alexandria hereby adopts a goal of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2028; and endorses Vision Zero as a comprehensive and holistic approach to achieving this goal.
2. The City Council directs the City Manager to form an interdepartmental working group to develop a Vision Zero Action Plan for future consideration by Council, based upon a comprehensive analysis of traffic deaths and injuries in Alexandria, which would identify associated funding needed for the City to reach the goal of zero deaths and serious injuries by 2028.
3. The City Council directs the City Manager to ensure that the Vision Zero Action Plan addresses the inequity in traffic deaths and serious injuries through a combination of equitable engineering, enforcement, education, and evaluation.
4. The City Council directs the City Manager to engage the community in the development and implementation of a Vision Zero Action Plan.
5. The City Council directs staff to provide an annual report on implementation of the Vision Zero Action Plan including progress toward eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2028.
6. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: January 24, 2017


ALLISON SILBERBERG **MAYOR**

ATTEST:


Jacqueline M. Henderson, MMC City Clerk