

DRAFT for Discussion TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT

POTENTIAL MASTER PLAN GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES



Non-Motorized

Goal: Continue to promote active living and healthy lifestyles in the City of Novi and continue to achieve a high level of recognition under the State of Michigan’s “Promoting Active Communities Program.”

Objective: Continue to strive toward making the City of Novi a more “bikeable” and a more “Walkable” community.

Implementation Strategy: Work with neighboring communities, other agencies, and organizations to plan and build bicycle and pedestrian facilities that connect residential areas with civic, school, worship, park and retail destinations throughout the City including one or more connections across I-96 and with regional destinations in neighboring communities.

Implementation Strategy: Plan and build recreational trail facilities that can accommodate bicycles and pedestrians.

Implementation Strategy: Provide recreation trails within all new parks and connect all new parks with recreation trails to the City’s pathway and sidewalk system.

Implementation Strategy: Plan and build way-finding signage for bicycle and pedestrian routes.

Implementation Strategy: Establish ordinance requirements to require bicycle and pedestrian connectivity and bicycle parking facilities for new developments.

Implementation Strategy: Establish design standards for bicycle lanes for various road designs and recreation bicycle trails that meet national safety standards.

Implementation Strategy: Review and update if necessary, City design standards for pedestrian facilities to meet national safety and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility standards.

Implementation Strategy: Retrofit existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities to current national safety standards when feasible.

Implementation Strategy: Encourage the retrofitting of existing developments and destinations to provide bicycle and pedestrian access and bicycle parking.

Implementation Strategy: Review, update and develop maintenance requirements for public and private bicycle and pedestrian facilities through the use of maintenance standards and ordinances.

Implementation Strategy: Implement an adopt a trail type program to help maintain City bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Implementation Strategy: Actively pursue public and private grants to plan, build and/or rebuild bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Implementation Strategy: Where practical, encourage the Road Commission of Oakland County and the Michigan Department of Transportation to incorporate bicycle and pedestrian facilities with all major road projects.

Implementation Strategy: Implement a trail or route naming program to help obtain funds for the construction and maintenance of bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Implementation Strategy: Continue to complete sidewalk and pathway gaps throughout the City and accelerate the rate of completion if funding permits.

Objective: Continue to develop public awareness of the City’s existing and planned bicycle and pedestrian facilities and their benefits to the citizens of Novi.

Implementation Strategy: Produce maps of pedestrian and bicycle facilities for public distribution.

Implementation Strategy: Promote and organize various types of bicycle and pedestrian events.

Implementation Strategy: Produce a Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan with non-motorized transportation and recreation components.

Implementation Strategy: Develop a program to educate residents and businesses of their responsibilities for sidewalk and pathway maintenance and snow and ice removal.

Rapid Transit

GOAL: Ensure that Novi continues to be a desirable place to do business (current goal).



Source: Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority

Objective: Support the development of a regional rapid transit hub in Novi as a desirable amenity to help attract additional residents and development to the City.

Implementation Strategy: Work with regional governments and entities to develop regional transportation plans that include a rapid transit hub in Novi.

Implementation Strategy: Partner with local businesses to develop strategies to maximize the potential benefits of a regional rapid transit hub.