

RESOLUTION NO. 657-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA, TO COORDINATE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EFFORTS TO RESPOND TO THE TRAFFIC SAFETY CONCERNS INVOLVING LOCAL SCHOOL STUDENTS; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Orange City has received information, with growing alarm, as to recent traffic accidents in the vicinity of local public schools, involving City residents (students); and

WHEREAS, the City of Orange City held a Special Meeting of its Council on September 29, 2011, and received comments and impassioned input from residents; and

WHEREAS, representatives from Volusia County Government, the Volusia County School Board, and the Volusia County Transportation Planning Organization were present; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Orange City wishes to work with citizens of Orange City and Volusia County, the Volusia County Government, the Volusia County School Board, and the Volusia County Sheriff's Office to facilitate creating safe routes to the public schools in and around the City of Orange City; and

WHEREAS, as these schools are not located within the jurisdictional limits of the City of Orange City, it is incumbent upon the City to request the assistance of the appropriate jurisdictions that can work with the City to protect the children of Orange City and Volusia County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Orange City respectfully requests the County Council of Volusia County, the School Board of the Volusia County, the Volusia County Sheriff's Department, and the Volusia County Transportation Office to work together to achieve the following objectives:

- (a) Route students, as possible, off Blue Springs Avenue to Ohio Avenue.
- (b) Acquire necessary right of way to construct a sidewalk on Blue Springs Avenue, east from Scholars Path to Sparkman Avenue.

- (c) Make routes to schools pedestrian and bicycle friendly by the installation of appropriate crosswalks, the provision of crossing guards, and the use of traffic calming strategies in the area of our public schools.
- (d) Provide sufficient enforcement by the Volusia County Sheriff's Department to ensure motorists' compliance with current speed limits in these school zones.
- (e) Initiation and/or the continuation of pedestrian and bicycle safety programs for students at the public schools.
- (f) Consideration of staggered release times by the affected Volusia County Public Schools and enhanced student supervision of those students on and around the public school campuses, before and after school, to ensure appropriate student behavior, consistent with the objectives set forth herein.

SECTION 2. The City Council of the City of Orange City requests the opportunity for further cooperative discussions at the earliest convenience of all the aforementioned public agencies towards these objectives.

SECTION 3. Conflicting Resolutions. That all Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, that holding in no way affects the remaining portion(s) of this Resolution.

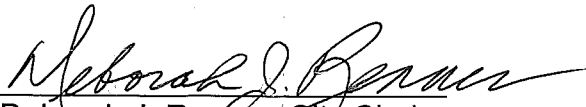
SECTION 4. Effective Date. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Orange City, Florida.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:


O. William Crippen	<u>yes</u>	Anthony J. Pupello	<u>yes</u>
Gary A. Blair	<u>yes</u>	Tom Abraham	<u>Absent</u>
Tom Laputka	<u>yes</u>	Jeff H. Allebach	<u>yes</u>
Harley Strickland, Mayor	<u>yes</u>		

ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF October, 2011.


ATTEST:


Deborah J. Renner, City Clerk

AUTHENTICATED:


Harley Strickland, Mayor

This Resolution approved
as to form and legal sufficiency:


William Reischmann, City Attorney

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