

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-1530

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHELAN, WASHINGTON, ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 12.31, ENTITLED “COMPLETE STREETS” TO CHELAN’S MUNICIPAL CODE; ADOPTING A “COMPLETE STREETS” POLICY AND PRACTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHELAN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; ADOPTING SAID POLICY AND PRACTICE AS A CONSIDERATION FOR FUTURE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS; IDENTIFYING SAID POLICY AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE PUBLIC STREETS FOR PEDESTRIANS, BICYCLISTS, AND TRANSIT USERS REGARDLESS OF AGE OR ABILITY

WHEREAS, the term “Complete Streets” describes a comprehensive, integrated transportation network with infrastructure and design that allows safe and convenient travel for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motor vehicle drivers, transit users, emergency service providers and freight, and people of all ages and abilities, including children, youth, families, older adults, and individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, more than 110,000 pedestrians and bicyclists are injured each year on roads in the United States with children and older adults at greatest risk and disproportionately affected; and

WHEREAS, the occurrence and severity of pedestrian and bicyclist injuries could readily be decreased by implementing Complete Streets practices; and

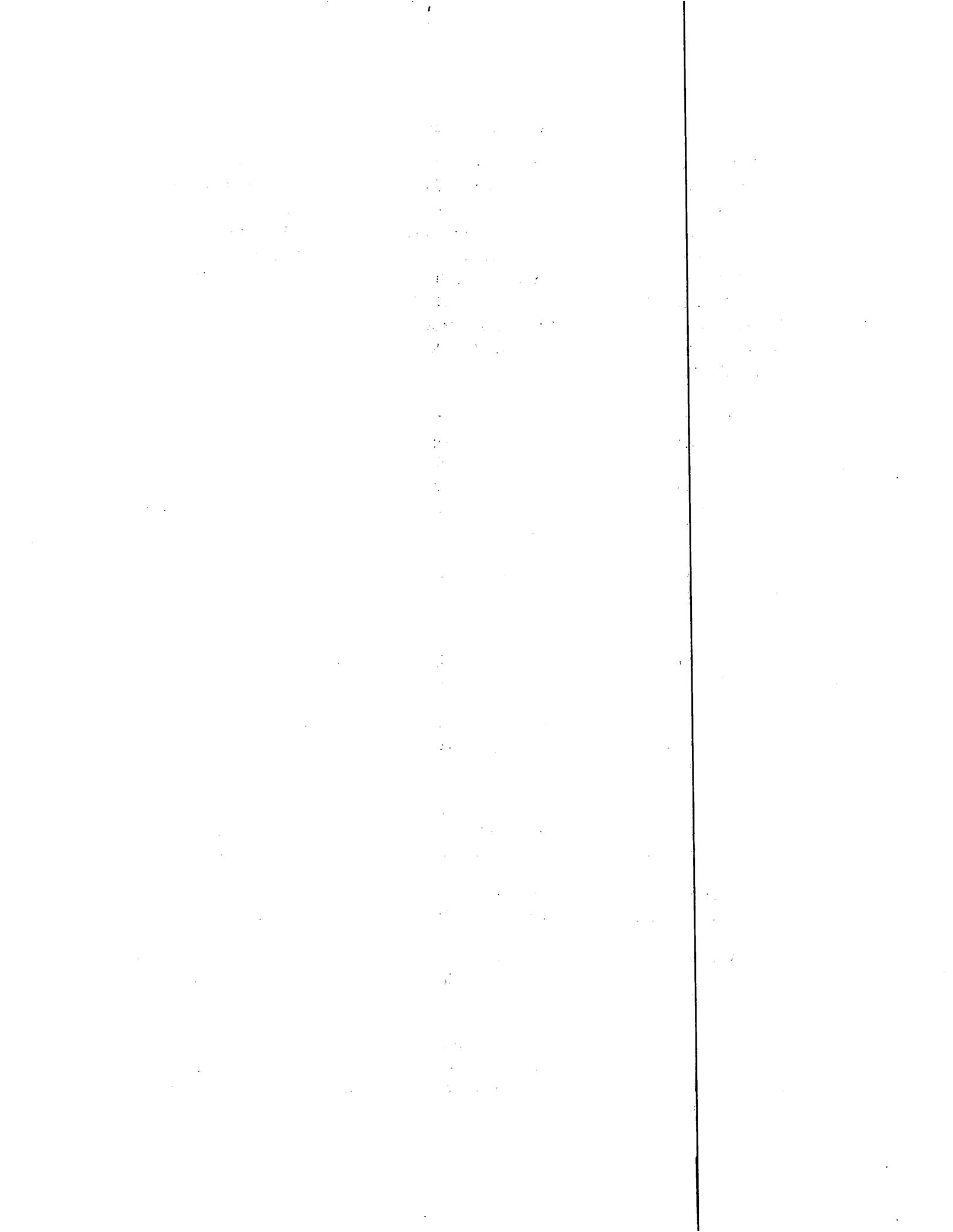
WHEREAS, the one-third of Americans that do not drive, disproportionately represented by older adults, low-income people, people with disabilities, and children would greatly benefit from the practices; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chelan wants to create convenient, enjoyable connections from the lake and parks to the hotel district and to the business district to promote tourism and create economic development opportunities while creating a more sustainable community; and

WHEREAS, the community stated desires for safe streets to improve walkability and bikability while connecting the neighborhoods of Chelan with key destinations; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Chelan, as adopted in 1998 and amended in 2015, seeks to develop a transportation system that provides for alternate modes of transportation such as pedestrian and bicycle travel (Goals 2 and 4); and

WHEREAS, the Chelan City Council intends to improve the safety of city streets, enhance the quality of life of residents, encourage active living, and reduce traffic congestion and fossil fuel use by providing safe, convenient, and comfortable routes for walking, bicycling, and public transportation.



NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHELAN, WASHINGTON HEREBY DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment. Title 12, Streets and Sidewalks, of the City of Chelan Municipal Code is hereby amended to include a new Chapter 12.31, “Complete Streets Policy,” which shall read as follows:

12.31 Complete Streets Policy.

12.31.010 Purpose:

The City of Chelan shall, to the maximum extent practical, scope, plan, design, construct, operate and maintain appropriate facilities for the safe accommodation of pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, motorists, emergency responders, freight and users of all ages and abilities in all new construction, retrofit or reconstruction projects. Through ongoing operations and maintenance, the City of Chelan shall identify cost-effective opportunities to include Complete Streets practices.

12.31.020 Exceptions.

Facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users and/or people of all abilities are not required to be provided when:

- A. A documented absence of current or future need exists;
- B. Non-motorized uses are prohibited by law;
- C. Routine maintenance of the transportation network is performed that does not change the roadway geometry or operations, such as mowing, sweeping and spot repair;
- D. The cost would be disproportionate to the current need or probable future uses;
- E. In instances where a documented exception is granted by the Mayor.

12.31.030 Complete Streets Infrastructure.

As feasible, Chelan shall incorporate “Complete Streets Infrastructure” into existing public and private streets to create a comprehensive, integrated, connected transportation network for Chelan that balances access, mobility, health and safety needs of pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, motorists, emergency responders, freight and users of all ages and abilities, ensuring a fully connected, integrated network that provides transportation options. “Complete Streets Infrastructure” means design features that contribute to a safe, convenient, or comfortable travel experience for users, including but not limited to features such as: sidewalks; shared use paths; bicycle lanes; automobile lanes; paved shoulders; street trees and landscaping; planting strips; curbs; accessible curb ramps; bulb outs; crosswalks; refuge islands; pedestrian and traffic signals, including countdown and accessible

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transportation stops and facilities; transit priority signalization; traffic calming devices such as rotary circles, traffic bumps, and surface vehicle lanes; raised medians; and dedicated transit lanes.

12.31.040 Goals to Foster Partnerships.

It is a goal of the City of Chelan to foster partnerships with all Washington State transportation funding agencies including the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), the Federal Highway Administration, Chelan County, Chelan School District, citizens, businesses, interest groups, neighborhoods, and any funding agency to implement the Complete Streets ordinance

12.31.050 Best Practice Criteria.

The Mayor or designee shall modify, develop and adopt policies, design criteria, standards and guidelines based upon recognized best practices in street design, construction, and operations including but not limited to the latest editions of American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO), Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) and National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) while reflecting the context and character of the surrounding built and natural environments and enhance the appearance of such.

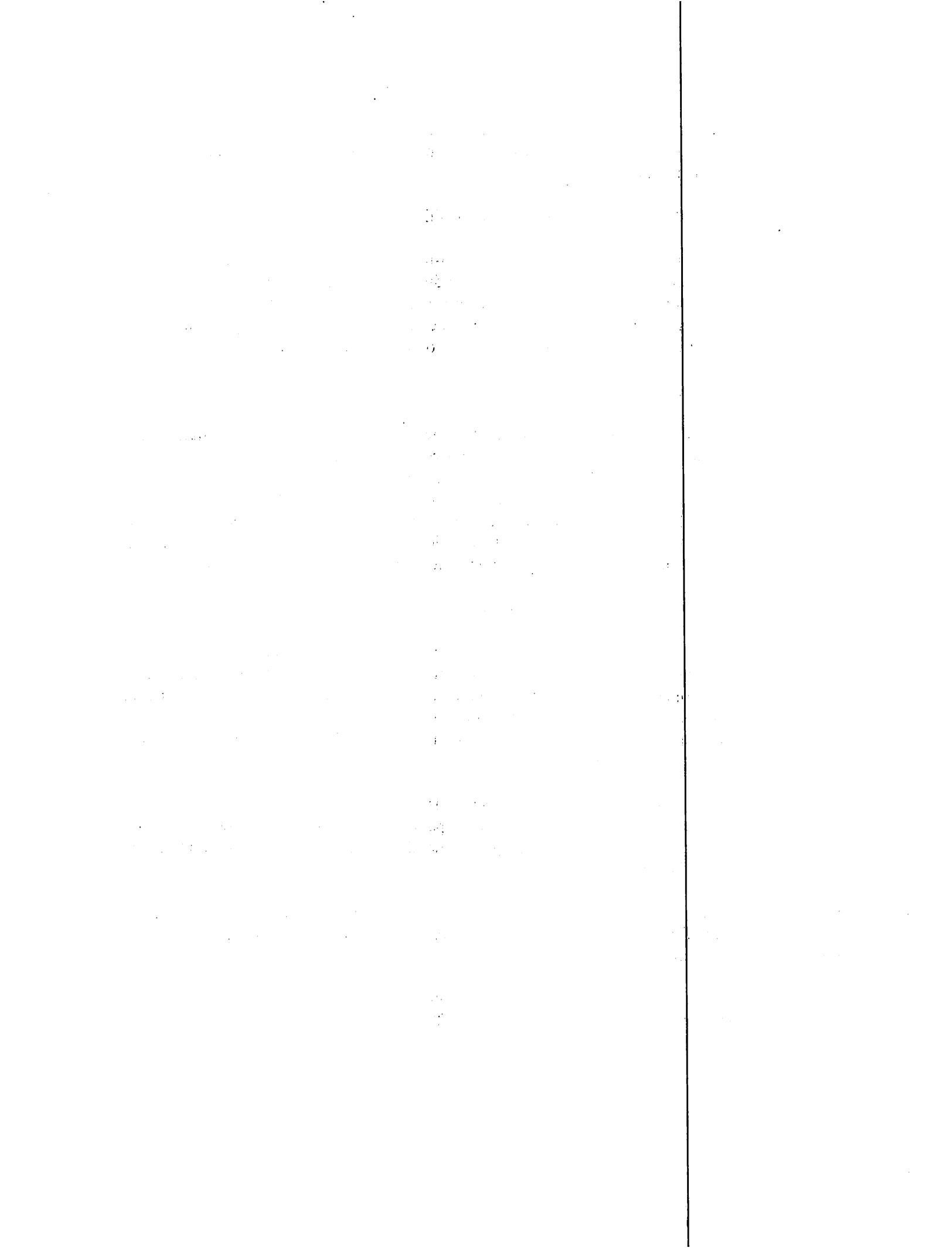
12.31.060 Performance Standards.

The City of Chelan shall put into place performance standards with measurable benchmarks to continuously evaluate the Complete Streets ordinance for success and opportunities for improvement. Performance standards may include transportation and mode shift, miles of bicycle facilities or sidewalks, Public participation, number of ADA accommodations built, and number of exemptions from this policy approved.

Section 2. Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance, or a summary thereof, shall be published in the official newspaper of the City of Chelan and shall take effect and be in full force thirty (30) days after passage and publication.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chelan, Washington, at a regular open public meeting on this 23rd day of May, 2017.




Mike Cooney, Mayor

ATTEST:


Peri Gallucci, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Quentin Batjer, City Attorney

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