



Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada

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A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A PEDESTRIAN-FRIENDLY CAMPUS

Resolution Number: 112

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Sponsored By: The Committee on University Affairs

Whereas, the University of Nevada, Reno is growing towards becoming a pedestrian-friendly campus, with more students walking to campus instead of using vehicles;

Whereas, the University of Nevada Master Plan states that it is working towards “‘Connectivity,’ to develop integrated, multi-modal mobility characterized by efficient transportation and safe pedestrian experiences”; (unr.edu/Nevada-today/news/2014/master-plan)

Whereas, the University of Nevada students have questioned the building of a new parking structure, which will not occur in the next few years, but instead should take an active stance towards getting to campus;

Whereas, the University of Nevada is in promotion of health and wellness, which is correlated towards walking to and/or on campus;

Whereas, there are plans to get more bike racks installed on the outer edge on campus, so that students can park their bike on the outside of campus, and walk onto campus;

Whereas, in 2013 and 2014, new bike racks and lockers were installed throughout campus to promote the use of alternate modes of transportation and convenience to bicycle riders;

Whereas, in 2015, the University of Nevada, Reno closed the center street throughout campus to private vehicles and shuttles, making pedestrian safety a priority;

Whereas, in 2015, the shuttle routes were revised to create a more “connected” campus, redoing the routes to make faster and more direct to desired locations such as the east campus apartments, residential hall areas, and added a shuttle interchange in the blue lot to connect both routes for full campus service;

Whereas, in 2015, the revised shuttle routes (moved to the perimeter of campus) also allowed for a more pedestrian friendly/safe campus, freeing the high traffic pedestrian areas from large shuttles;

Whereas, Parking and Transportation Services is developing Transportation Demand Management efforts, which are strategies aimed at reducing the demand for roadway travel, particularly in single occupancy vehicles and effectively using existing resources, instead of building new parking spaces;

Whereas, Parking and Transportation Services is looking into additional multimodal promotion efforts such as shuttling/partnering with more off-site apartment buildings, adding more bike servicing stations, and creating skateboarding docking/dismount areas;

Whereas, Parking and Transportation Services currently subsidizes RTC wolf pass, which promotes transit ridership, subsidizes bike promotion efforts, through print costs for campus biking literature, and is adding a car sharing program with Zip Car in the winter;

Be it resolved that, the Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada is in support of a pedestrian-friendly campus.

Be it further resolved that, a copy of this resolution be sent to the President Marc Johnson and Provost Carman.

Adopted in Senate on November 4th, 2015

Attest:

Lexi Jacobson, Secretary of the Senate

Nicholas Andrew, Speaker of the Senate