

RESOLUTION NO. 53-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JUPITER, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A GOAL OF NO SEVERE TRAFFIC INJURIES OR FATALITIES WITHIN THE TOWN OF JUPITER'S BOUNDARIES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF VISION ZERO AS TOWN POLICY FOR ALL ROADWAYS AND RAILWAY CORRIDORS TO PROMOTE TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY WITHIN THE TOWN OF JUPITER'S BOUNDARIES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the state of Florida is the most dangerous state for people walking, consistently ranking first on the Pedestrian Danger Index by Smart Growth America, and the Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach urbanized area consistently ranking as one of the most dangerous metropolitan areas in the nation for pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, 176 people in Palm Beach County and 3,189 people in Florida die annually on roadways;

WHEREAS, the Town of Jupiter has implemented and mitigated traffic and pedestrian safety by partnering with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for grant funding to increase our enforcement operations.

WHEREAS, enhanced education and enforcement can decrease vehicle crashes and related injuries and fatalities to motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists.

WHEREAS, the Town is committed to continue providing education and awareness to pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists, so we can ensure the safety of everyone.

WHEREAS, Vision Zero starts with the ethical belief that every person has the right to move safely in their communities, and that transportation system designers and policy makers share the responsibility of ensuring that there are safe infrastructure systems so that all people regardless of their mode of transportation can travel safely within their communities; and

WHEREAS, death and serious injuries are not acceptable for citizens, guests, or others who live, work, or play in the Town of Jupiter (Town); and

WHEREAS, key elements of the Vision Zero system include: reframing traffic as preventable; focusing on system failure; reducing the impact of collisions; adopting a proactive system approach for trains, vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians; data-driven decision making; and viewing road and railway safety as a social equity issue; and

WHEREAS, roadway and railway systems with crashes cause both travel delay and drain fiscal resources of the Town, creating a threat to the success of the residential population and employment base, quality of life, and the reputation of the Town to be a desirable destination for future generations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jupiter Town Council that:

Section 1. The Town Council hereby establishes the elimination of roadway and railway traffic fatalities and the reduction of serious injuries due to traffic accidents as a goal of the Town of Jupiter.

Section 2. The Town Council hereby adopts Vision Zero as the policy for all railway and roadway corridors and traffic safety in the Town of Jupiter and directs near and long-term traffic planning to be based on Vision Zero principles.

Section 3: The Town Council directs the Town Manager to continue pursuing Vision Zero Action Plans for achieving the goals of the elimination of traffic fatalities and the reduction of serious injuries due to traffic crashes through adopting a proactive safe system approach for trains, vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians, equitable engineering, enforcement, education, data-driven decision making, and social equity considerations in all railway and roadway safety planning and implementation.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its execution.

The foregoing Resolution was offered this 7th day of June, 2022 by Councilor Malise Sundstrom moved its adoption. The motion was seconded Vice-Mayor Ron Delaney and upon being put to a roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

	AYE	NAY
MAYOR JIM KURETSKI	X	
VICE-MAYOR RON DELANEY	X	
COUNCILOR CAMERON MAY	X	
COUNCILOR CHERYL SCHNEIDER	X	
COUNCILOR MALISE SUNDSTROM	X	

The Mayor thereupon executed Resolution 53-22 on this 9th day of June, 2022.

TOWN OF JUPITER, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

BY: *Jim Kuretski*
 JIM KURETSKI
 MAYOR

Laura Cahill
 LAURA E. CAHILL
 TOWN CLERK

Thomas J. Baird, Esq.
 THOMAS J. BAIRD, ESQ.
 Approved as to form and
 legal sufficiency

(TOWN SEAL)

