

RESOLUTION 2026-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ALCESTER, SD CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING A SAFE STREETS FOR ALL (SS4A) COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY ACTION PLAN

WHEREAS, traffic fatalities and serious injuries represent a significant public health concern nationally, statewide, and locally, with rural counties experiencing disproportionately high rates of fatal and serious crashes; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation's **Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)** program, established through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), provides federal funding to support the development and implementation of comprehensive, data-driven roadway safety plans aimed at eliminating traffic-related deaths and serious injuries; and

WHEREAS, a **Comprehensive Safety Action Plan** is required to identify high-injury networks, analyze crash data, elevate community input, and prioritize evidence-based strategies to reduce and ultimately eliminate fatal and serious traffic crashes; and

WHEREAS, a regionwide Comprehensive Safety Action Plan has been developed through the South Eastern Council of Governments (SECOG) to establish clear safety goals, performance measures, underrepresented consideration, and implementation strategies that reflect local needs across nineteen cities and one county; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alcester is one of the participating communities in the SECOG Comprehensive Safety Action Plan and has also completed a Alcester Local Safety Action Plan that develops more specific policy and project recommendations for Alcester streets and roadways.

WHEREAS, approval of this Resolution satisfies the requirement for formal governing body commitment as part of an application for SS4A Planning, Implementation and Demonstration Grant funding. The Mayor of Alcester is authorized to sign all applicable SS4A grant application documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alcester:

1. Authorization

The City of Alcester City Council hereby approves the **SECOG and City of Alcester Safe Streets for All Comprehensive Safety Action Plans** consistent with SS4A program requirements.

2. Commitment to Safety Goals

That the City adopts Vision Zero as a guiding principle and commits to working toward the complete elimination of traffic fatalities and serious injuries through the adoption of the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan.

3. Outcome-based safety metrics

The City will monitor three outcome-based safety metrics as evidence of progress to reaching their safety goals including:

- Annual number of roadway fatalities and serious injuries (KSI).
- Five-year rolling averages for fatalities and serious injuries to smooth annual variability.
- Changes in crash frequency and severity along the High-Injury Network.

4. Designation of Responsible Authority

The City of Alcester City Council is authorized to monitor the implementation of this Resolution and the SS4A Comprehensive Safety Action Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect upon the twentieth day after its adoption.

Adopted at Alcester, SD this 13 day of July 2026.


Lisa Hodgson, Mayor


ATTEST:
David Hodgson, Finance Officer

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