

**Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC)**  
**Recommendation to the City to Coordinate with Motor Vehicle Division on**  
**Drivers' Safety Education Related to Pedestrians and Bicyclists**

WHEREAS, GAATC advises the City and its agency partners on the needs of people who walk, bike, and ride public transit on projects, policies, and programs that improve active transportation facilities in and around Albuquerque.

WHEREAS, the City's Vision Zero Action Plan identifies education and encouragement strategies to bring awareness of pedestrian and bicyclist safety to residents.

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) Pedestrian Safety Action Plan identifies expanding driver's education around pedestrian safety. The NMDOT Traffic Safety Division is responsible for putting together the educational curriculum.

WHEREAS, New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department, Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) provides safety education for drivers throughout the state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, GAATC recommends to the City of Albuquerque to coordinate with the state agencies, including MVD and the Pedestrian, Bicycle, and Equestrian Coordinator at NMDOT, to update drivers' safety education and awareness of pedestrians and bicyclists at both Driver Education Schools and Driving Safety Schools, including associated testing. Specifically, GAATC asks for safety education to highlight:

- High number of pedestrian and bicyclist injuries and fatalities in the state
- Relationship of speeds to pedestrian and bicyclist injuries and fatalities
- Staying alert, giving passing distance, and sharing the road with pedestrians and bicyclists
- Making safe stops and turns at intersection crossings for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Understanding pedestrian and bicycle signs, markings, and signals
- Rights of pedestrians and bicyclists.

Approved this day 8 of August 2022, by a vote of a quorum of members five for and zero against.

Ryan Mast: Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Naomi George: Not present \_\_\_\_\_

Nevarez Encinias: Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Josiah M Hooten: Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Daniel Jensen: Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Richard Meadows: Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Lanny Tanning: Not present \_\_\_\_\_