INTRODUCTION

This City of Peoria Official Thoroughfare Plan is the result of a collaborative effort of the City of Peoria, the Department of Community Development, and the Peoria Metropolitan Planning Organization to establish a comprehensive, long-range plan that will provide a framework for growth and development and improve mobility for the City. The plan is designed to provide a clear and consistent direction for the community's growth and development, guiding decision-making in the areas of land use, transportation, and infrastructure development.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Thoroughfare Plan is to guide public and private sector development, as well as to provide a framework for the City's growth and development. The plan aims to create a system of interconnected streets that provide access to public facilities, commercial and industrial areas, and other important destinations.

IMPLEMENTATION

The implementation of the Official Thoroughfare Plan Map will come about through various means. These include state and federal transportation funding, and the City of Peoria Unified Development Code, the City of Peoria Bicycle Master Plan, the City of Peoria Transit Plan, the Peoria Complete Streets Down Street Plan, and other plans adopted that impact the movement of persons throughout Peoria.

FUTURE CHANGES

The adoption of this Plan will support and enhance several additional changes to the existing Peoria street network:

1. The implementation of street network previously adopted for the Warehouse District through the Unified Development Code.
2. The elimination of Fulton Plaza as a single-use area.
3. The conversion of several one-way streets in Peoria to their original two-way design.
4. The implementation of the Bicycle Master Plan recommendations and additional bicycle lanes wherever possible and practical.
5. The return to a grid system of street design.
6. The adoption by reference of various infrastructure design guidelines published by NAACOT, including but not limited to Urban Street Design, Urban Bikeway Design, and Transit Street Design.
7. The development of several requests to be submitted to IDOT to relaxively roadways in Peoria.
8. The development of forward-looking specifications in anticipation of the further development and implementation of autonomous transportation.