

Sunrise Movement KC supports adoption of Vision Zero (Res. 200019)

Sunrise Movement KC supports the immediate adoption of Res. 200019 establishing the city's commitment to Vision Zero. We support Vision Zero's goals of eliminating traffic deaths by 2030, allowing all people to move safely through the city, and diversifying transportation options which will bring down carbon emissions. Thoughtfully designed streets and transportation systems are critical to providing all residents equitable access to their city. Furthermore, we cannot achieve necessary reductions in carbon emissions without transforming how we move about our city. In order to give ourselves a real chance at staving off this existential crisis, we need to rapidly reduce our reliance on cars, trucks, and SUVs. A citywide strategy to make our streets safer for everyone will help to foster the seismic transportation shift necessary to achieve sustainable transportation in Kansas City.

The Vision Zero resolution is a policy step we need to take to not only make our streets safer, but our city more sustainable as we work to mitigate the worst effects of a changing climate. We call on the City Council to do the right thing and adopt Vision Zero.