BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

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FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING OR AMENDING EXISTING PROJECTS TO THE 2018-21 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM INVOLVING FIVE PROJECTS REQUIRING PROGRAMMING ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, OR CANCELLATIONS IMPACTING METRO, MULTNOMAH COUNTY, ODOT, AND PORTLAND (MA18-07-MAR)

RESOLUTION NO. 18-4876

Introduced by: "Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett in concurrence with Council President Tom Hughes"

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) prioritizes projects from the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to receive transportation related funding; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) and the Metro Council approved the 2018-21 MTIP via Resolution 17-4817 on July 27, 2017; and

WHEREAS, JPACT and the Metro Council must approve any subsequent amendments to add new projects or substantially modify existing projects in the MTIP; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) has issued clarified MTIP amendment submission rules and definitions for MTIP formal amendments and administrative modifications that both ODOT and all Oregon MPOs must adhere to which includes that all new projects added to the MTIP must complete the formal amendment process; and

WHEREAS, two of the five projects are important safety protective fencing projects that need to be added to the 2018 MTIP and received their funding approval from the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) during their December 2017 meeting ; and

WHEREAS, Multnomah County's Burnside St – Burnside (Willamette River) Bridge East Approach fencing project and the city of Portland's NE 12th Ave Over I-84 Union Pacific RR Bridge fencing project will construct necessary protective safety/screening fencing providing traveling motorists additional safety, and reflects ODOT's compliance with Statute (ORS) 366.462 requiring all freeway overpasses constructed after November 4, 1994 to have fences designed to deter persons from throwing objects from the overpasses onto the freeways; and

WHEREAS, Metro's new SFY19 Planning funding project will provide the require planning funds to cover the identified costs in Metro's new draft 2018-2019 Unified Planning Work Program currently moving through Metro's approval process plus ensures the new planning funds allocation can be obligated by July 2018 allowing expenditures to start as of July 2018 as required; and

WHEREAS, the city of Portland's St Johns Truck Strategy – Phase II proposes a significant scope change to remove the intersection modification to North Portland Rd/Columbia Blvd as a noncritical scope element while keeping it on the side with a plan to potentially fund it later with local System Development Charge funds, and adds approximately \$1.3 million in city local funds keep the project within the revised budget limitations for the remaining scope elements to be able to deliver the project; and

WHEREAS, the funding split from Key 20414, ODOT's Road Safety Audit Implementation will shift \$775,000 to Key 21071, ODOT's SW Naito Pkwy – SW Huber St Phase 2 project, \$40,000 to Key 18789, ODOT's OR213 at S Union Mills Rd project, and \$500,000 to ODOT's project Key 21289 to assist in better fund leveraging of their All Roads Safety Transportation (ARTS) Program; and

WHEREAS, all amended projects were evaluated against six revised MTIP review factors to ensure all requested changes and additions can be accomplished legally through the MTIP amendment process; and

WHEREAS, the MTIP review factors included project eligibility/proof of funding, RTP consistency with the financially constrained element, consistency with RTP goals and strategies, determination of amendment type, inclusion in the Metro transportation regional models, determination of Regional Significance, fiscal constraint verification, and compliance with MPO MTIP federal management responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the MTIP's financial constraint finding is maintained as all projects proof of funding has been verified; and

WHEREAS, no negative impacts to air conformity will exist as a result of the changes completed through the February 2018 Formal MTIP Amendment; and

WHEREAS, all projects included in the February 2018 Formal MTIP Amendment successfully completed a required 30-day public notification/opportunity to comment period without any significant issues raised; and

WHEREAS, TPAC received their notification and recommended approval on March 9, 2018 and approved the amendment recommendation to JPACT; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby adopts the recommendation of JPACT on March 15, 2018 to formally amend the 2018-21 MTIP to include the March 2018 Formal Amendment bundle consisting of five projects.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this _____ day of ______ 2018.

Approved as to Form:

Tom Hughes, Council President

Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney