

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING THE 2018	)	RESOLUTION NO. 18-4894
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY	)	
STRATEGY	)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer Martha
	)	Bennett in concurrence with Council
	)	President Tom Hughes

WHEREAS, in 2008 the Metro Council adopted Resolution No. 08-3940, which defined six desired outcomes for a successful region, including that “people have safe and reliable transportation choices that enhance their quality of life”; and

WHEREAS, federal law requires metropolitan planning organizations such as Metro to adopt safety performance measures and targets; and

WHEREAS, in 2012 Metro published the first Regional Transportation Safety Plan, which created a data-driven framework and urban-focused safety plan aimed at reducing fatalities and serious injuries in the greater Portland region; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 Metro created a Transportation Safety Work Group consisting of transportation safety experts, representatives from the Metro Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC) and the Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee (TPAC), and community organizations, which was tasked with providing technical input and recommendations to Metro staff regarding an update of the 2012 RTSP to be included as a topical plan as part of the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) update; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Safety Work Group met seven times from 2016 through 2017 and provided input to Metro staff regarding the development of a new Regional Transportation Safety Strategy (RTSS) to be adopted concurrently with the 2018 RTP; and

WHEREAS, the RTSS establishes a new regional Vision Zero safety goal, and provides updated objectives, policies, targets, and performance measures to address the common causes and types of fatal and serious injury crashes identified in the greater Portland region; and

WHEREAS, Metro released the initial draft of the 2018 RTSS for public review and comment on June 29, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Metro provided a 45-day public comment period on the draft 2018 RTSS from June 29 to August 13, 2018, and received comments through September 6, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council held a public hearing on August 2, 2018 to accept public testimony and comments regarding the draft RTSS; and

WHEREAS, Metro staff invited four Native American Tribes, the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the ports of Portland and Vancouver, and other federal, state and local resource, wildlife, land management and regulatory agencies to consult on the public review draft RTSS in accordance with 23 CFR 450.316, and convened four separate consultation meetings on August 6, 14 and 21 and September 6, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council, the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT), the Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC), MTAC, TPAC, the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the Oregon Department of Transportation, local government elected officials and staff, business and community leaders, public agencies, private and non-profit organizations and the public, assisted in the development of the 2018 RTSS and provided comment on the RTSS throughout the planning process conducted for the 2018 RTP update; and

WHEREAS, JPACT and MPAC have recommended approval of the 2018 RTSS by the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council held two additional public hearings on the 2018 RTSS identified in Exhibit A on November 8 and December 6, 2018; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby adopts the 2018 Regional Transportation Safety Strategy attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A, as amended by the “Summary of Comments Received and Recommended Actions” in Exhibit B, as a component of the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2018.

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Tom Hughes, Council President

Approved as to Form:

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