## 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 TWO PROJECTS IMPACTING TRIMET (FB19-06-FEB) **RESOLUTION NO. 19-4965** 

Introduced by: Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett in concurrence with Council President Lynn Peterson

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, the challenges riders face today to see improved service routes to help people get to where they need to go has resulted in TriMet developing and implementing Community Job Connector Shuttle projects to be annually implemented; and

WHEREAS, TriMet's new Community Job Connector projects will improve access to jobs and job-related activities for the low-income workforce and to transport residents of urbanized and nonurbanized areas to suburban employment opportunities plus implement specialized job commuter shuttle services in areas where regular fixed routes services would not support; and

WHEREAS, TriMet proposes to increase funding their latest fiscal Year 2018 Community Job Connector project by shifting \$417,088 of Federal Transit Agency (FTA) Section 5307 funds and required match from their annual Preventative Maintenance project to support their FY 2018 Community Job Connector project; and

WHEREAS, the additional funding will support TriMet's North Hillsboro Community Job Connector, Swan Island Community Job Connector, Grove Link Community Job Connector, and the Tualatin Community Job Connector program services; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of FTA Section 5307 and matching funds from their Preventative Maintenance project will result in less than a one percent impact to the Preventative Project and the net result has no impact on their FTA Section 5307 fiscal constraint levels; and

WHEREAS, all amended projects were evaluated against seven 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 2019 Formal MTIP Amendment; and

WHEREAS, all projects included in the February 2019 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 February 1, 2019 and approved the amendment approval recommendation to JPACT; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby adopts the recommendation of JPACT on February 21, 2019 to formally amend the 2018-21 MTIP to include the February 2019 Formal Amendment bundle consisting of two projects.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019.

Approved as to Form:

Lynn Peterson, Council President

Nathan A.S. Sykes, Acting Metro Attorney