## BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

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FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE 2021-24 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MTIP) TO ADD ODOT'S INTERSTATE 205 – ABERNETHY BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT SEGEMENT WHICH INCLUDES \$375 MILLION OF CONSTRUCTION PHASE FUNDING (JL21-14-JUL3) RESOLUTION NO. 21-5192

Introduced by: Chief Operating Officer Marissa Madrigal 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 2021-24 MTIP via Resolution 20-5110 on July 23, 2020; 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 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, MTIP amendments now must also include assessments for performance measure compliance, expanded RTP consistency, and strive to meet annual Metro and statewide obligation targets resulting in additional MTIP amendment processing practices and procedures; and

WHEREAS, the seven mile stretch of Interstate 205 between I-5 and OR213 contains only two through-lanes in each direction supports over 100,000 vehicles, is subject to daily 6.75 hours of significant congestion, experiences a large volume of crashes in the corridor, and is impacted by approximately \$10.9 million per year from injuries, property damage, freight delays and fuel costs related to crashes, and

WHEREAS, ODOT has proposed to add a third lane for capacity support through the corridor along with several additional major facility improvements; and

WHEREAS, project development began in 2016 with Preliminary Engineering starting in 2018 and Right-of-Way in 2019, and has completed the Active Traffic Management (ATM) improvement portion to the overall larger project; and

WHEREAS, ODOT has completed a significant amount of public outreach to obtain public input about the project since 2017 which includes 28 community briefings with neighborhood groups in Oregon City, West Linn, and Clackamas County, three on-line open houses, two in-person open houses, and four informational project newsletters to residents within <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-mile of the project area; and

WHEREAS, the passage of HB3055 provides a new funding mechanism for the I-205 project and the Oregon Transportation Commission on July 15, 2021 will is scheduled to approve \$375 million of

additional funding to support the construction phase for the I-205 Improvements 1A - OR43 to OR213 segment, also referred to as the I-205 Abernethy Bridge improvement project; and

WHEREAS, the I-205 Improvements 1A - OR43 to OR213 project will complete several capacity and facility improvements which include constructing ground improvements, new foundations, substructure and superstructure, adding a lane in both directions of I-205, reconstruction of the OR 43 Interchange and include a roundabout, reconstruction of the OR 99 interchange to accommodate the bridge widening, plus include sound walls in the vicinity of SB I-205 at Exit 9, stormwater mitigation, landscaping, paving, striping, signing and lighting improvements; and

WHEREAS, a review of the proposed project has been completed against the current approved Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to ensure the projects remain consistent with the goals and strategies identified in the RTP with the results confirming there are no significant inconsistencies between the project as described in the RTP and the project proposed in the July #3 2021 MTIP Formal Amendment; and

WHEREAS, RTP consistency check areas included financial/fiscal constraint verification from OTC's approval action at their July 2021 meeting, eligibility and proper use of committed funds, an assessment of possible air quality impacts, a deviation assessment from approved regional RTP goals and strategies, and a reconfirmation that the MTIP's financial constraint finding is maintained a result of the July #3 2021 Formal Amendment; and

WHEREAS, Metro's Transportation Policy and Alternatives Committee (TPAC) received their notification plus amendment summary overview, and recommended approval to Metro's Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) on July 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, JPACT approved Resolution 21-5192 consisting of the July #3 2021 Formal MTIP Amendment on July 15, 2021 and provided their approval recommendation to Metro Council; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby adopts the recommendation of JPACT on July 29, 2021 through Resolution 21-5192 to formally amend the 2021-24 MTIP to include the new ODOT I-205 Improvements 1A - OR43 to OR213 improvement project.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021.

Approved as to Form:

Lynn Peterson, Council President

Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney