BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE 2006-)	RESOLUTION NO. 06-3664
09 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION)	
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MTIP) TO)	Introduced by Councilor Rex Burkholder
INCLUDE HIGH PRIORITY PROJECT)	
FUNDING FROM THE FEDERAL SAFE,)	
ACCOUNTABLE, FLEXIBLE, EFFICIENT)	
TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT (SAFETEA))	•
AND THE OREGON IMMEDIATE)	•
OPPORTUNITY FUND)	

WHEREAS, transportation project funding has been authorized for projects in the Metro area through the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act, and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council and Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) are authorized to program these project funds into the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP); and

WHEREAS, inclusion in the MTIP is required for the project sponsor to access the authorized funds; and

WHEREAS, Metro has found the projects listed in Exhibit "A" recommended for amendment into the MTIP to be exempt from air quality conformity determination and has consulted with appropriate air quality agencies regarding these findings; and

WHEREAS, these projects are consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby adopts the recommendation of JPACT to include the programming of transportation project funding as listed in Exhibit "A" into the 2006-09 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 9th day of February, 2006.

David Bragdon, Council President

Approved as to Form:

Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney

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Exhibit A

Resolution 06-3664

The Portland metropolitan area received several project funding earmarks through the SAFETEA High Priority Projects and funding from the State Immediate Opportunity Fund. Programming of funds to these projects is outlined in tables below.

As the Portland metropolitan area is in maintenance status for CO, an air quality conformity analysis and consultation is required prior to programming of these funds into the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program. Also included below is the findings for the air quality consultation process.

The following projects are determined to be exempt from conformity determination by rule per Table 2 of the EPA Guidance.

SAFETEA High Priority Project earmarks

	2006	2007	2008	2009
Metro Regional Trail Program				
Planning – Project Development	\$2,000,000			
PE – Final Design		\$1,000,000		
Right-of-Way			\$1,000.000	
Construction				\$1,000,000

Air Quality: Bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Domestically Produced Streetcar	2006	2007	2008	2009
Planning – Project Development	\$1,000,000			
Construction		\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000

Mass Transit: Purchase of rail car for minor expansion of the fleet. Project will design and build one additional streetcar to add to the fleet of eight streetcars, more than 600 buses and 60 light rail vehicles serving the Portland central city.

Union Station	2006	2007	2008	2009
Construction	\$33,200	\$16,600	\$16,600	\$16,600

Mass Transit: Renovation of transit buildings or structures. Project will fund repairs to Union Station terminal building.

South Metro Area Rapid Transit Bus				
Purchase and Bus Facility	2006	2007	2008	2009
Transit Capital	\$82,600	\$41,800	\$41,800	\$41,800

Mass Transit: Purchase of bus for replacement or minor expansion of the fleet. Renovation of transit buildings or structures. Project will fund purchase of one bus to replace existing aging bus and work on maintenance facility.

Oregon Immediate Opportunity Fund Project

NE Sandy Boulevard @ 223 rd Avenue	2006	2007	2008	2009
PE – Final Design	\$90,000			
Right-of-Way	\$76,000			
Construction	\$1,075,000			

Safety: widening narrow pavements (no additional travel lanes). Project will reconstruct and widen pavement at the intersection of NE Sandy Boulevard and 223rd Avenue to better facilitate turning movements for trucks.

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 06-3664, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE 2006-09 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO INCLUDE HIGH PRIORITY PROJECT FUNDING FROM THE FEDERAL SAFE, ACCOUNTABLE, FLEXIBLE, EQUITABLE TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT (SAFETEA) AND OREGON IMMEDIATE OPPORTUNITY FUND.

Date: February 9, 2006 Prepared by: Ted Leybold

BACKGROUND

To access federal transportation funds and to demonstrate projects will not have an adverse impact to the region's air quality, transportation projects must be included in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP). Five projects that have been determined as not having a measurable impact and in conformance with air quality regulations have been provided funding through the federal transportation authorization act (SAFETEA) and the Oregon Immediate Opportunity fund.

The projects and the funding made available are listed in Exhibit A of Resolution 06-3664. This resolution would approve amending the 2006-09 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program to include programming of transportation project funds obtained for these projects.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

- 1. **Known Opposition** None known at this time.
- 2. Legal Antecedents Amends the 2006-09 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program adopted by Metro Council Resolution 05-3606.
- 3. Anticipated Effects Adoption of this resolution will make available federal transportation project funding to local jurisdictions for projects listed in Exhibit A of Resolution 06-3664.
- 4. **Budget Impacts** None.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Metro Council approve Resolution No. 06-3664.