# BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

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# FOR THE PURPOSE OF CERTIFYING TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION THE AUTHORITY OF METRO'S CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 06-3681

Introduced by Council President David Bragdon

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administrator has been delegated authority to award federal financial assistance for a transportation project; and

WHEREAS, the grant or cooperative agreement for federal financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon Metro as the applicant, and may require Metro to provide the local share of the project cost; and

WHEREAS, Metro has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the Federal Transit Administration required for the transportation project; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council, pursuant to Section 25(1) of the Metro Charter and Metro Code Chapter 2.20 delegated authority to Metro's Chief Operating Officer to administer Metro and to take official actions on behalf of Metro; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration, an operating administration of the United States Department of Transportation, for federal transportation assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23 United States Code and other federal statutes administered by the Federal Transit Administration, requires that the Metro Council officially certify to the Federal Transit Administration the authority of the Metro Chief Operating Officer; and

WHEREAS, Metro has received authority from TriMet, the Designated Recipient, to apply for Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program assistance; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby:

1. Certifies to the Federal Transit Administration that the Chief Operating Officer or his/her designee has the authority to execute and file applications for federal assistance on behalf of Metro with the Federal Transit Administration for federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23 United States Code, or other Federal statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration and that Metro has received authority from TriMet, the Designated Recipient, to apply for Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program assistance;

2. Certifies to the Federal Transit Administration that the Chief Operating Officer or his/her designee has the authority to execute and file the annual certification and assurances and any other documents the Federal Transit Administration requires before awarding a federal assistance grant or cooperative agreement; and

3. Certifies to the Federal Transit Administration that the Chief Operating Officer or his/her designee has the authority to execute grant and cooperative agreements with the Federal Transit Administration on behalf of Metro.

11+ ADOPTED by the Metro Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May 2006. David Bragdon, Council President

Approved as to Form:

'n Daniel B. Cooper, Metre Attorney

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## **STAFF REPORT**

# IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 06-3681, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CERTIFYING TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION THE AUTHORITY OF METRO'S CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

Date: May 11, 2006

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## BACKGROUND

Metro is one of six federally mandated Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Oregon. It is both regulated by federal planning requirements, and also a direct recipient of federal transportation grants.

In order to meet federal transportation planning requirements, Metro, through the Planning Department, receives federal financial assistance through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). To apply for this assistance, Metro must authorize a designated official to file and execute applications, execute and file annual certification and assurances and other documents that the FTA requires before grant assistance can be awarded, and execute awarded grants.

Pursuant to Section 25(1) of the Metro Charter and Metro Code Chapter 2.20 delegates authority to Metro's Chief Operating Officer to administer Metro and to take official actions on behalf of Metro.

#### ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

- 1. Known Opposition: There is no known opposition to this legislation.
- **2.** Legal Antecedents: 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23 United States Code; Metro Charter Section 25(1); and Metro Code Chapter 2.20.
- 3. Anticipated Effects: The ability to apply for and execute FTA grants.
- 4. **Budget Impacts:** Without the ability to apply for these funds, Metro would be unable to receive FTA financial assistance.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Staff recommends the adoption of Resolution No. 06-3681.