

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE 2002-05 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO INCLUDE FUNDING OF FIVE PROJECTS; HIGHWAY 43 TURN REFUGES, HIGHWAY 30 SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, UNION STATION IMPROVEMENTS, TUALATIN RIVER BIKE/PED BRIDGE, AND HILLSBORO REGIONAL CENTER PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-3399

Introduced by Councilor Rod Park; JPACT Chair

WHEREAS, projects selected to receive federal transportation funding must be included in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement he Portland metropolitan area Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP), which reports on the programming of all federal transportation funds to be spent in the region, and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Department of Transportation has proposed beginning five projects within the Metro region this fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, these projects are consistent with the 2000 Regional Transportation Plan, and

WHEREAS, these projects are determined to be exempt from findings of compliance with the Oregon State implementation plan for air quality; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council amends the 2002-05 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program to include funding for the following projects:

- Highway 43 turn refuges at intersections from Laural Street to Glenmorrie Drive,
- Highway 30 pedestrian safety improvements at 105th and 107th Avenues,
- Union Station building repairs,
- Tualatin River bicycle and pedestrian bridge,
- Hillsboro regional center pedestrian improvements.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 11th day of December, 2003

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David Bragdon, Council President

Approved as to Form:

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Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney



STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-3399, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE 2002-05 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO INCLUDE FUNDING OF FIVE PROJECTS; HIGHWAY 43 TURN REFUGES, HIGHWAY 30 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, UNION STATION IMPROVMENTS, TUALATIN RIVER BIKE/PED BRIDGE, AND HILLSBORO REGIONAL CENTER PEDESTRIAN IMPROVMENTS.

Date: November 24, 2003

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BACKGROUND

The Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) is a report that summarizes all programming of federal transportation funding in the Metro region and demonstrates that the use of these funds will comply with all relevant federal laws and administrative rules. To qualify to receive federal transportation funds, projects must be approved in the MTIP. The MTIP is updated every two years and amended as necessary to reflect current programming of federal transportation funds.

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) has proposed to begin preliminary engineering on five projects not currently programmed in the MTIP. ODOT is interested in beginning preliminary engineering of these projects prior to when the US Department of Transportation may recognize the upcoming 2004-07 Metropolitan and State Implementation Plans as conforming with air quality regulations. To proceed prior to this federal action, it is necessary to amend the existing 2002-05 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program.

Following are brief descriptions of the projects:

Highway 43 Turn Refuges. This project will add turn refuges at intersections of Highway 43 south of downtown Lake Oswego from the intersection of Laurel Street to the intersection of Glenmorrie Drive. The project will be funded through the State safety program in the amount of \$275,800.

Highway 30 Pedestrian Safety. This project will add pedestrian safety elements on Highway 30 in the Linnton area near the intersections of 105th and 107th Avenues. Safety elements will include signal modifications, curb extensions, sidewalks and possibly illumination elements. The project will be funded through the State safety program in the amount of \$550,000.

Union Station Improvements. This project will provide roof, masonry and carpentry repairs to the Union Station building. The project will be funded through the state Transportation Enhancements program in the amount of \$1,155,000.

Tualatin River Pedestrian/Bike Bridge. This project will provide a new pedestrian and bicycle bridge and approach trails across the Tualatin River. The project will be funded through the state Transportation Enhancements program in the amount of \$1,390,000.

Hillsboro Regional Center Pedestrian Improvements. This project will provide sidewalks, crosswalks, lighting and planter strips on several streets in the Hillsboro regional center. The project will be funded through the state Transportation Enhancements program in the amount of \$739,500.

These projects are exempt from a determination of conformity with the Oregon State Implementation Plan for air quality.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition** None known at this time.
2. **Legal Antecedents** This amendment amends the 2002-05 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program, adopted by Metro Resolution No. 02-3178. This resolution programs transportation funds in accordance with the federal transportation authorizing legislation (currently known as the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century or TEA-21) and the federal Clean Air Act. This resolution is consistent with the 2000 Regional Transportation Plan.
3. **Anticipated Effects** Adoption of this resolution is a necessary step to make these projects eligible to receive federal funds to reimburse project costs.
4. **Budget Impacts** Adoption of this resolution has no anticipated impacts to the Metro budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve the resolution as recommended.