

RESOLUTION NO. 3264

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE OREGON TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND CALLING FOR LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF THE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PACKAGE

WHEREAS, the Oregon State Legislature has directed the development of a long-range transportation plan for the State of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the State, in partnership with cities and counties and with the full participation of user and interest groups and the public, has developed the Oregon Transportation Plan (OTP), a plan that envisions the creation over a 20-year period of a fully integrated, balanced system that encompasses all modes of transportation; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the OTP is essential to improving and protecting Oregon's economic competitiveness and quality of life, and Oregon now has a unique opportunity to avoid the transportation conditions that have plagued urban areas across the nation while enhancing mobility for Oregon's small communities; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the OTP will create and maintain jobs in the state, strengthen the economy, preserve and extend the infrastructure investment of the past, provide better and faster connections and mobility for people and freight throughout the state, improve air quality and environment, and reduce traffic congestion in heavily populated areas; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Oregon support a transportation plan that recognizes the partnership among transportation jurisdictions; that calls for transportation facilities appropriate to each area of the state; that makes the most efficient use possible of available and potential funding sources; and that provides adequate and stable sources to fund priority needs for each mode of the transportation system, including roads and bridges, air service, local bus and transit systems, ports, rail service, and bicycle and pedestrian facilities; and

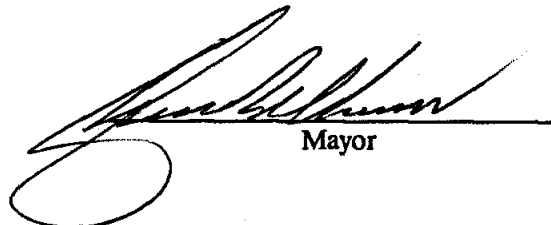
WHEREAS, the cities of Oregon acknowledge and appreciate the actions of past legislatures that have allowed progress in addressing a backlog of transportation needs within the state but believe that a comprehensive funding solution for all transportation modes is required to achieve an efficient transportation system that is not in continual danger of falling further and further behind; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation '93 Committee--an alliance of state and local governments, other transportation providers, business and civic leaders, and transportation construction and user groups--has developed and put before the 1993 Legislature a package of legislative measures that would initiate the OTP and provide sources of funding to begin its implementation; and

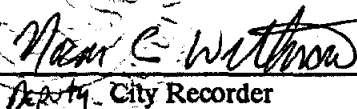
WHEREAS, the cities of Oregon believe that the OTP and the proposed legislative funding package represent prudent public policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Albany supports the Oregon Transportation Plan and the funding proposal now before the 1993 Legislative Assembly and strongly urges the Legislature to provide adequate funding sources to implement the OTP, not just to preserve and maintain the past investment in transportation infrastructure, but to extend and expand that infrastructure to create the integrated, multimodal transportation system needed in the State of Oregon.

Dated this 23rd day of June 1993.


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Recorder