

RESOLUTION 557-13

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE SW CORRIDOR PLAN AND PROVIDING DIRECTION FOR FUTURE PARTICIPATION IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SW CORRIDOR PLAN

WHEREAS, the Metro Council identified the Southwest Corridor as the region's top priority for consideration for a high capacity transit investment based on the 2009 Regional High Capacity Transit System Plan; the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) awarded the region a \$2 million grant to conduct an integrated approach to collaborative planning with community aspirations guiding potential investments in transit; and four cities in the Southwest Corridor were awarded competitive grant funds to develop community based land use visions that considered potential transit investment; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Corridor Plan Steering Committee (including representatives from the cities of Beaverton, Durham, King City, Lake Oswego, Portland, Sherwood, Tigard, and Tualatin; the counties of Multnomah and Washington; and Tri-Met, ODOT and Metro) adopted a charter December 2011 agreeing to use a collaborative approach to develop the Southwest Corridor Plan and the Southwest Corridor Implementation Strategy, to align local, regional, and state policies and investments to create great places; and

WHEREAS, the charter stated that the *Southwest Corridor Plan and Shared Investment Strategy* should be endorsed by the Southwest Corridor Steering Committee, and is intended to be adopted and implemented by the appropriate agencies and jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Corridor Plan Steering Committee adopted the vision, goals and objectives in May 2012, defining that the vision for the Southwest Corridor Plan is to support, strengthen and connect livable and prosperous places from Portland to Sherwood to address current needs and anticipated future growth; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Corridor Plan project partners worked with community members to define a coordinated land use vision for each city in the corridor to guide future investments in a high capacity transit system with supporting active transportation, roadway and green infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Corridor Plan project partners have held a number of public events to support and guide the *Southwest Corridor Plan and Shared Investment Strategy*; and

WHEREAS, the *Southwest Corridor Plan and Shared Investment Strategy* was adopted unanimously by the Steering Committee on July 22, 2013 and contains recommendations to carry into further refinement and study of public investments to support the corridor land use vision; and

WHEREAS, the *Southwest Corridor Plan* is intended to provide guidance for subsequent refinement and implementation of the plan through the development, revision and adoption of appropriate local and regional plans, policies and ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Durham benefits from being part of the SW Corridor Plan because projects identified in the plan that improve roadways, trails, pedestrian safety, active transportation and transit connections can be leveraged to more thoroughly address the community's present and long term needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF DURHAM RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City endorses the *Southwest Corridor Plan and Shared Investment Strategy*, attached to this resolution as Exhibit A.

Section 2. Staff is directed to use the *Southwest Corridor Plan and Shared Investment Strategy* to inform the future development of local plans, policies and implementation strategies, such as the Transportation System Plan, Cedar Creek Trail and other future land use actions.

Section 3. Staff shall actively participate in the Southwest Service Enhancement Plan to identify near-term transit service improvements.

Section 4. Staff shall participate as needed in on-going Southwest Corridor Plan efforts, including refinement and analysis of high capacity transit alternatives and local connections, along with associated roadway, active transportation and parks and natural resource projects that support the land use vision for potential further study and pursuit of federal funds.

Section 5. Staff is authorized and encouraged to pursue funding options in coordination with Metro, the Oregon Department of Transportation, Tri-Met and project partner jurisdictions for implementation and planning to support the *Southwest Corridor Plan and Shared Investment Strategy*.

Section 6. This Resolution shall be effective upon its approval and adoption.

Duly passed by the City Council this 24th day of September 2013.

CITY OF DURHAM



Gery Schirado, Mayor

ATTEST:



Roland Signett, City Administrator/Recorder