

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE "REGIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 1998-2001 STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM" AS DEVELOPED BY THE OREGON CASCADES WEST COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Albany has reviewed the Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments' statement, presented to the Oregon Department of Transportation, Region 2, regarding the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP); and

WHEREAS, the statement reaffirms the consensus of local jurisdictions that two projects in the current STIP, the Highway 20 Eddyville-Cline Hill project and the Pacific Boulevard-9th Street Couplet project in Albany, should move forward to construction in 1997; and

WHEREAS, the statement represents a consensus of local jurisdictions concerning the importance of including the following projects in the 1998-2001 State Transportation Improvement Program:

- U.S. Highway 20: Pioneer Mountain - Eddyville
- Willamette River Bridge: (Van Buren) Replacement (Corvallis)
- OR Highway 34: I-5 to Main Street (Lebanon)
- U.S. Highway 20 - U.S. Highway 101: Intersection Realignment (Newport)
- U.S. Highway 20: OR Highway 34 to Newton Creek (Philomath)
- U.S. Highway 101: Lincoln City Gaps
- U.S. Highway 20: Neer Street (Corvallis) to 19th Street (Philomath)
- U.S. Highway 20: Albany to Corvallis
- OR Highway 228: Halsey to Brownsville
- Regional Transportation Demand Management Project
- Inter-City Transit Feasibility Study; and,

WHEREAS, the statement represents a consensus of local jurisdictions concerning the importance of developing a full range of transportation alternatives, it supports the goal of a strong multi-modal system and encourages the inclusion of aeronautics, rail freight, high-speed rail, transit and transportation demand management projects that are within the Cascades West region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Albany City Council hereby approves and endorses the statement and authorizes staff and elected officials to actively pursue incorporation of the projects in the STIP as listed.

DATED THIS 12TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 1997.


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Recorder



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TO: Albany City Council

VIA: Steve Bryant, City Manager
 Mark A. Yeager, P.E., Public Works Director

FROM: Eric M. Teitelman, P.E., Transportation Services Supervisor
 Edna Campau, Transit Coordinator

DATE: January 31, 1997, for the February 12, 1997, City Council Meeting

SUBJECT: 1996-97 Operating Assistance Grant Agreements for the Transit Systems

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Action Requested:

Staff recommends that the Albany City Council accept the 1996-97 Operating Assistance Grants for the Albany Transit System (ATS) and the Linn-Benton Loop Transit System (Loop) by adopting the attached resolution and authorizing the City Manager to sign the agreements on behalf of the City.

Discussion:

Section 18 of the Federal Transit Act of 1964 provides for operating assistance funding for transit systems in nonurbanized areas. This section has now been codified into Title 49 of the United States Code, Section 5311. Each year ATS and the Loop apply to the Oregon Department of Transportation, Public Transit Section, for an operating assistance grant under the Small Cities and Rural Areas Operating Agreement. The grant originally reimbursed the City for up to 50% of the operating deficit and 80% of the administrative cost; however, the operating assistance funds have been frozen by the federal government for several years. Therefore, maximum reimbursement available for ATS is \$28,200 and for the Loop \$32,200.

available

The individual operating assistance grant agreements are attached for your review and information.

Budget Impact:

The grants are included in the 1996-97 ATS (36-288) and Loop (36-290) budgets.

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