

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CROOK, DESCHUTES AND JEFFERSON COUNTY AND THE CITY COUNCILS OF BEND, REDMOND, PRINEVILLE, MADRAS, SISTERS, LA PINE, CULVER AND METOLIUS

A Resolution in support of a  
Transportation Funding Package in the  
2017 Legislative Session

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RESOLUTION NO. 3062

FINDINGS:

1. The need for increased funding to address transportation maintenance, operations, capital construction and safety exists within every City and County in Central Oregon; and
2. Significant growth in traffic volume has exacerbated congestion and the need for safety and capacity improvements on the state highway systems connecting our communities; and
3. Investment in transportation infrastructure results in near term job creation in the construction sector and long term job attraction via the addition of system capacity to accommodate economic development; and
4. Time is the enemy of deteriorating infrastructure as deferred and forgone maintenance results in exponential and inevitable cost increases; and
5. Legislative adjustments in transportation funding are infrequent and the buying power of prior adjustments in revenue eventually erodes through inflation; and
6. Local funding options are complex and voter approval can be difficult to gain; and,
7. The State Highway Fund mechanism is established, fair, and preferred by industry stakeholders; and
8. The federal Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act is set to expire, leaving a significant funding void in county road programs; and
9. Preparation for natural disasters and emergency response is not exclusive to western Oregon communities, and we expect Central Oregon cities and counties to play an important role in the recovery of Oregon from the Cascadia event; and
10. The Cities and Counties of Central Oregon recognize that increased funding to meet these needs will require the development of new revenue sources; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND CITY COUNCILS IN THE COUNTIES OF CROOK, DESCHUTES AND JEFFERSON, OREGON, as follows:

Section 1. The signatories to this Resolution strongly support development of a Transportation Funding Package in the 2017 Legislative Session to generate needed revenue to invest in the maintenance, operation, capital construction, and safety of our transportation systems.

Section 2. The signatories to this Resolution support and encourage participation of our legislative delegation in helping develop and pass a Transportation Funding Package.


Section 3. The signatories to this Resolution pledge support to our legislative delegation's efforts and vote to pass a Transportation Funding Package.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.


Adoption By Roll Call Vote: February 1, 2017

YES: Casey Roats, Mayor  
Sally Russell  
Bill Moseley  
Bruce Abernethy  
Nathan Boddie  
Justin Livingston  
Barb Campbell

NO: NONE

  
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Casey Roats, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Robyn Christie, City Recorder

Approved as to form:

  
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Mary A. Winters, City Attorney