

RESOLUTION NO. 783

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND, WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOUNDARY EXPANSION TO INCLUDE WOODLAND IN THE LONGVIEW METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AND RAINIER, OR URBAN GROWTH BOUNDARY.

WHEREAS, the Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Governments (CWCOG), as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Longview Urban Area, is responsible for setting the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) boundary following each US Decennial Census; and

WHEREAS, The US Census Bureau has completed work following the 2020 Decennial Census to define the Longview Urban Area and has added the City of Castle Rock as well as areas between the City of Castle Rock and the previous Longview urban area to the current MPA boundary due to the overall increased density of the area; and

WHEREAS, Federal law allows the CWCOG to set the MPA to match the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) (County Boundary) and encourages the inclusion of any areas likely to urbanize over the next 20 years which would include the I-5 corridor; and

WHEREAS, the CWCOG is considering the expansion of the MPA to include the Longview Metropolitan Statistical area (Cowlitz County) combined with the Longview Urban Area which includes Rainier OR Urban Growth Boundary; and

WHEREAS, the new MPA boundary the CWCOG Board of Directors is considering will include the area within the City of Woodland; and


WHEREAS, the CWCOG receives federal funding to conduct transportation planning within the MPA which requires a match from participating agencies, and

WHEREAS, federally supported transportation planning assistance would be available to benefit the public interests in the cities within the county and throughout Cowlitz County as well as within the City of Rainier, OR Urban Growth Boundary; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND does hereby support and agree to provide matching funds for the MPO program based on population and supports the CWCOG request for the concurrence of the Governor of Washington and the Governor of Oregon to approve the MPA to include the Longview MSA and City of Rainier, Oregon UGB.

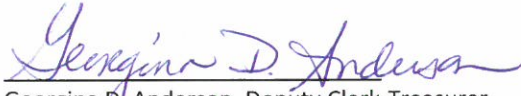
PASSED this 20th day of May 2024.

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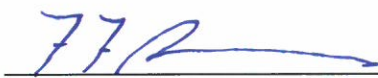


Todd W. Dinehart, Mayor

ATTEST:


Georgina D. Anderson, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Frank F. Randolph, City Attorney

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