

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

**RESOLUTION NO. 04-113**

Proceed with Phase II of the Transportation Study to Determine the Financial Impacts on All Jurisdictions Based on the Phase I Recommendations

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

- a. In 2003, the Board commissioned a transportation study to examine the options for transportation service delivery and jurisdiction of County roads.
- b. Vic Rhodes of Rhodes Consulting was commissioned to conduct the transportation study on behalf of Multnomah County
- c. Commissioner Maria Rojo de Steffey and Rhodes Consulting have met with elected officials and staff of all impacted jurisdictions and stakeholders and kept in regular communication regarding the progress of the Transportation study
- d. A report was issued by Rhodes Consulting in January 2004 with the following main recommendations:
  - 1) Road Jurisdiction – The County should transfer jurisdictional responsibility for the roads within the incorporated Cities of East Multnomah County at the request of the municipality.
  - 2) Road Maintenance - The County should continue to maintain its current inventory of roads in the rural areas and those within the municipalities regardless of jurisdictional transfer.
  - 3) Road Engineering and CIP & Support Operations Groups - The positions necessary for the County to continue services in the rural areas and Cities not selecting the local option for jurisdictional transfer should be identified and maintained by Multnomah County.
  - 4) Survey – The Office of the County Surveyor should remain with Multnomah County
  - 5) Bridges – The Willamette River Bridges and other structures not transferred as a result of the exercising of the local option should remain with Multnomah County.
  - 6) Water Quality Program – The program should remain with Multnomah County.

- 7) Land Use & Transportation Planning – The Multnomah County Transportation Commission (MCTC) be formed as a governance body for transportation system planning and development of an implementing strategy through a unified capital improvement spanning the jurisdictions. Transportation planning services for implementation and maintenance of the rural area plans would continue to be provided by the current staff under the agreement with the Land Use Group.
- e. The report was presented to the Board on January 5, 2004
- f. At that time, the Board did not take further action because it was determined that the East County jurisdictions would need additional time to explore how each recommendation would impact their municipality.
- g. The Mayors of Fairview, Wood Village, Troutdale and Gresham have each provided feedback on the report issued by Rhodes Consulting in January of 2004. The letters from each municipality and a summary are included as an attachment to the Agenda Placement Report and Resolution.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:**

- 1. To authorize Commissioner Maria Rojo de Steffey to oversee a financial feasibility study to address the impacts to the County and local municipalities if the various proposed road transfers are implemented.
- 2. To direct Commissioner Rojo de Steffey to report back to the Board on findings and seek further Board action within six months

ADOPTED this 12th day of August 2004.



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Diane M. Linn, Chair

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