

CITY OF MILLWOOD

RESOLUTION # 16-11

September 13, 2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILLWOOD, WASHINGTON RELATING TO THE CITY OF MILLWOOD SUPPORTING SPOKANE TRANSIT AUTHORITY BALLOT PROPOSITION NO. 1, ENTITLED "PRESERVATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES" AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Millwood, Washington (the "City") is a code city duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and the laws of the state of Washington (the "State"); and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City (the "Council") may adopt and enforce resolutions of all kinds relating to and regulating its local or municipal affairs and appropriate to the good government of the City; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2016 the Spokane Transit Authority ("STA") Board approved Resolution No. 742-16 to send Proposition No. 1, entitled "Preservation and Improvement of Public Transportation Services," to the November 8, 2016 ballot to fund the implementation of the Moving Forward Plan via an increase in sales tax of 1/10 of one percent effective April 1, 2017 and the second 1/10 effective April 1, 2019, both expiring no later than December 31, 2028; and

WHEREAS, the Spokane Regional Transportation Council Metropolitan Transportation Plan: *Horizon 2040*, anticipates that Spokane County will grow by nearly 165,000 persons and 68,000 additional jobs will be created by the year 2040; and

WHEREAS, STA's Moving Forward Plan, which has undergone extensive study and public input, responds to anticipated increases in population growth and the corresponding increase in demand for public transportation; and,

WHEREAS, STA has indicated that if approved, it is estimated that funds collected by Proposition No. 1 would be used to provide an estimated 25% increase in bus service beyond existing levels of service, which will add mobility to vulnerable populations including low-income, disabled, and seniors, allowing their continued participation in our community; and

WHEREAS, STA has indicated the increase in bus service would include 25 improvements across the region, add new service, and create higher frequency to heavily used routes, which will connect workers to jobs and education, supporting economic growth in Spokane County; and

WHEREAS, STA has indicated that, if approved, funds collected by Proposition No. 1 will increase service on key commuter routes and improve connections inside and outside the City of Spokane, reducing traffic congestion, decreasing road maintenance costs, saving commuters money and increasing worker productivity due to time saved

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Millwood as follows:

Section 1. Support of Proposition No. 1: The Council supports the passage of Proposition No. 1, entitled "Preservation and Improvement of Public Transportation Services," to implement STA's Moving Forward Plan, as this will not only improve service, but also increase ridership, reduce traffic congestion, and stimulate economic development throughout Spokane County.

Section 2. Severability: If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconditionally shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution.

Section 3. Repealer: All resolutions, laws, and regulations, or parts thereof in conflict with this resolution are, to the extent of said conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 4. Effect: This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and five (5) days after its publication or a publication of a summary of this resolution in the official newspaper of the City.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILLWOOD THIS 13th DAY OF September, 2016.

s/ Kevin Freeman

KEVIN FREEMAN, MAYOR

Attest:

s/ Thomas Richardson

THOMAS G. RICHARDSON,
CITY CLERK