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Board of County Commissioners
Clackamas County

Members of the Board:

Approval of a Resolution Supporting the Sunrise Gateway Corridor to Improve
Transportation Alternatives, Increase Safety, Reduce Congestion, and Anticipate
Equitable Economic and Residential Growth for the Region

Purpose/Outcome	Approval of this resolution expresses support for transportation improvements to the Sunrise Gateway Corridor
Dollar Amount and Fiscal Impact	N/A
Funding Source	The Sunrise Gateway Corridor is a part of the county's state and federal legislative agendas for 2019
Duration	Effective immediately if approved
Previous Board Action/Review	The Board requested a draft resolution and approved the draft language on Tuesday, October 15, 2019
Counsel Review	Reviewed and approved by County Counsel on October 15, 2019
Strategic Plan Alignment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Build a Strong Infrastructure• Grow a Vibrant Economy
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BACKGROUND:

The Sunrise Gateway Corridor remains Clackamas County's top local and regional transportation priority. As part of the County's Strategic Plan to secure "state, federal, and/or regional funding" for this project, a resolution of support provides staff a public facing, written resource by which to approach regional stakeholders and affirm the county's commitment to complete these needed transportation improvements.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Johnson, Director
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WHEREAS: Phase I of the Sunrise Gateway Corridor from I-205 to 122nd Avenue was completed on June 30, 2016.

WHEREAS: The Sunrise Gateway Corridor supports 42,900 average daily trips and has segments of Highway 212 in the top 10% (most dangerous) of the Oregon Department of Transportation's safety priority ranking system.

WHEREAS: The City of Happy Valley is the fastest growing city in Oregon.

WHEREAS: By 2040, the Sunrise Gateway area is projected to increase by 14,000 new jobs and 14,000 additional housing units housing 43,000 people.

WHEREAS: Lack of holistic systems create obstacles to residents and visitors, limiting their ability to walk or bike safely to and from their residence to schools, parks and other needed services and community amenities.

WHEREAS: Highway 212/224 includes essential freight routes from I-5 and I-205 to Highway 26, which provides access to central Oregon.

WHEREAS: The Clackamas Industrial Area is home to an increasing number of the state's busiest and most critical freight distribution centers.

WHEREAS: The community cannot adequately respond to expected growth without having the transportation infrastructure to address the existing mobility barriers within the Sunrise Gateway Corridor.

WHEREAS: Proposed designs will transform Highway 212 a safer corridor that connects people to jobs and children to schools, and completes a transportation network with new pedestrian, bicycle and transit connections, and safety and access improvements.

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WHEREAS: Proposed design of the Sunrise Gateway Corridor will reduce greenhouse gases by .1 ton daily during the 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. peak hour, because of reduced congestion and the addition of walking, biking and transit options.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve:

1. To obtain funding for a second phase of the Sunrise Gateway Corridor, between 122nd Avenue and 172nd Avenue.
2. To work in partnership with Happy Valley, the Oregon Department of Transportation, and Metro to ensure the Sunrise Gateway Corridor resolves congestion, improves freight mobility, improves access to affordable housing, and provides multimodal transportation alternatives.
3. To communicate Clackamas County's commitment to the importance of the Sunrise Gateway Corridor as a vital component of a resilient, equitable, and regional transportation system.

DATED this 24th day of October, 2019

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Chair

Recording Secretary