

RESOLUTION NO. 2016- 01-05

**A RESOLUTION ensuring that county policies are adopted in fulfillment of the spirit of the Clark County Home Rule Charter.**

1 WHEREAS, in the General Election of November 4, 2014, the electorate of Clark County  
2 approved a Home Rule Charter which called for the seating of a five-person council in 2016; and,

3 WHEREAS, Marc Boldt was elected as Council Chair and Julie Olson as Councilor for  
4 Council District Two to fulfill the Home Rule Charter's requirements; and,

5 WHEREAS, the sitting County Council on December 22, 2015 approved eight (8) policy  
6 resolutions by holding 7 public hearings and 1 public meeting on a single day; and,

7 WHEREAS, the resolutions considered and adopted give the appearance of being hastily  
8 conceived and not of an urgent or emergent nature that would have required immediate review;  
9 and,

10 WHEREAS, the Council wishes to maximize its ability to independently make policy as  
11 a five-person Council; now, therefore

12 BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED by the Board of County Councilors of Clark  
13 County, State of Washington, as follows:

14 The following listed resolution adopted by the Clark County Council on December 22,  
15 2015, is hereby repealed and rescinded:

16 **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-12-24, BUS RAPID TRANSIT POLICY;**

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20 This action does not affect the ability of the Council to consider this policy anew as  
21 deemed appropriate by the five-person County Council at a hearing time to be determined at the  
22 discretion of the Council.

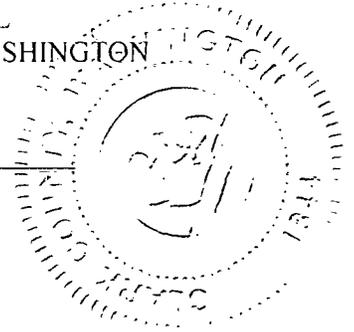
23 ADOPTED on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

27 Attest:

26 CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL  
27 FOR CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

28 Rebecca Jita  
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31 Clerk of the Board

Marc Boldt  
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33 Marc Boldt, Chair



33 APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY:  
34 Anthony F. Golik,  
35 Prosecuting Attorney

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37 Jeanne E. Stewart, Councilor

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39 By: Christy Anderson  
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41 Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

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43 Julie Olson, Councilor

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45 David Madore, Councilor

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47 Tom Mielke, Councilor



**Bus Rapid Transit Policy Resolution**

A Resolution adopting a policy of the Board of County Councilors to oppose every Bus Rapid Transit project in Clark County unless it is first supported by a majority of the voters in a county-wide advisory vote of the people.

**Because** the Clark County Board of Councilors, as representatives of the Citizens of Clark County, serve as members of various governing boards that may consider High Capacity Transit Bus Rapid Transit transportation projects; and

**Because** a sales tax increase to fund Bus Rapid Transit and Light Rail operation and maintenance was submitted to the voters and rejected in the November 2012 General Election when voters defeated C-Tran Proposition One; and

**Because** the following question was put to the voters as Advisory Vote # 2 in the November 2013 county-wide General Election:

“Should the Clark County Board of Commissioners approve proposed Resolution 2013-07-19 which opposes every Bus Rapid Transit project in Clark County unless it is first supported by a majority of the voters in a county-wide advisory vote of the people?”; and

**Because** the majority of citizens in that election voted Yes and the Board desires to faithfully represent the will of the people and do as they directed; and

**Because** this matter was considered at a duly advertised public hearing, where the Board of County Councilors concluded that adoption of this policy would be in the best interests of the public health, safety and welfare of the Citizens, now therefore:

**BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS OF CLARK COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:**

The Board hereby adopts the findings and conclusions contained in the recital clauses above as findings supporting this resolution.

The Board hereby adopts a clear policy to oppose every Bus Rapid Transit project in Clark County unless it is first supported by a majority of the voters in a county-wide advisory vote of the people; and

41 To uphold this policy, Board members who wish to faithfully represent the will of the people,  
42 should uphold this policy as board members of C-Tran, the Southwest Washington Regional  
43 Transportation Council, the Metropolitan Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC), and the Joint  
44 Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT), the Bi-State Coordination Committee,  
45 and any other body that deals with transportation issues; and  
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47 The Board of Clark County Councilors adopts the above transportation principles, philosophies,  
48 and policies to guide the Board's priorities, advocacy positions, practices, and plans.  
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51 ADOPTED this 22 day of December, 2015.  
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53 BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS  
54 FOR CLARK COUNTY

55 Attest:

56 Deputy *Jira Redwine*  
57 Clerk to the Board  
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By: *DM*  
60 David Madore, Chair

61 Approved as to form only:  
62 ANTHONY F. GOLIK  
63 Prosecuting Attorney  
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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
65 Jeanne Stewart, Councilor

66 *Christopher Horne*  
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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
69 Tom Mielke, Councilor