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Clark County

Advisory Vote No. 1 - LIGHT RAIL ADVISORY VOTE

PROPOSED

LIGHT RAIL RESOLUTION 2013-07-17

A resolution to create a policy of the Board of Commissioners to oppose every Light Rail 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 Commissioners, as representatives of the Citizens of Clark County, serve as members of various governing boards that may consider Light Rail transportation projects; and

Because C-Tran Proposition One funding for Light Rail operation and maintenance was rejected in the November 2012 General Election; and

Because the citizens of Clark County were not able to express their consent in an advisory vote before more than \$170 million was spent on the Columbia River Crossing project based on Light Rail, bridge tolls and billions of dollars in debt before the project was closed down as directed by Governors Kitzhaber and Inslee; and

Because the Board of Commissioners wish to seek and respect voter input in a county-wide advisory vote in advance of any board vote on any Light Rail transportation project before millions of dollars are spent on it; and

Because this matter was considered at a duly advertised public hearing, where the Board of County Commissioners 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 COMMISSIONERS OF CLARK COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:

It shall be the policy of the Clark County Board of Commissioners to clearly oppose every Light Rail 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

To uphold this policy as board members of C-Tran, the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council, the Metropolitan Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC), and the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT).

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2013.

Attest:

Rebecca Tilton,
Clerk to the Board

Approved as to Form Only:

ANTHONY GOLIK

Clark Co. Prosecuting Attorney
By his Deputy, Lori L. Volkman

Board of Clark County Commissioners:

Steve Stuart, Chair

Tom Mielke, Commissioner

David Madore, Commissioner