

**Willamette Neighborhood Association resolution states that more needs to be learned about alternative modes to decongest highways before tolling them.**

West Linn, OR — Wednesday, June 13th, 2018 — The Willamette Neighborhood Association unanimously passed a resolution that more be learned about alternative river, railway, and “transit on demand” modes of transportation to decongest highways before the Oregon Transportation Commission takes further steps to toll I-205 and/or I-5.

The signed copy of the Willamette Neighborhood Association resolution is posted on the Steel Interstate Coalition website, main Projects page, under the Oregon header, (<http://www.steelinterstate.org/projects>)

Facts and concepts presented in the position paper titled, “The Steel Interstate Coalition strategy to reduce Portland, Oregon metro highway congestion,” (<http://www.steelinterstate.org/Projects/Oregon>), serve as a basis for the Willamette Neighborhood Association resolution.

The Willamette Neighborhood Association resolution is timely because several Oregon Department of Transportation tolling scenarios were approved by the Portland Metro Area Value Pricing Policy Advisory Committee at their Monday, June 25th, 2018 morning meeting.

The Willamette Neighborhood Association resolution is the beginning of a bottom-up process in which the Steel Interstate Coalition works to inform each neighborhood association in the Portland metro why it is important to learn more about alternative modes before tolls are further considered, and to advocate that each pass similar resolutions to influence their respective city councils, county commissions, and the Metro Council to each pass the same resolution, too.

The Willamette Neighborhood Association is the first West Linn Neighborhood Association, (see map [https://westlinnoregon.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/maps/gis/page/5764/west\\_linn\\_neighborhood\\_associations\\_map\\_2010.pdf](https://westlinnoregon.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/maps/gis/page/5764/west_linn_neighborhood_associations_map_2010.pdf)), and the first among scores of neighborhood associations in other cities across the Portland, Oregon metropolitan area to pass such a resolution, see the Metro Neighborhood Association Map, ([https://www.oregonmetro.gov/sites/default/files/2016/10/24/NeighborhoodsRegional\\_0.pdf](https://www.oregonmetro.gov/sites/default/files/2016/10/24/NeighborhoodsRegional_0.pdf)).

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The Steel Interstate Coalition, a nonprofit 501(c)(3), is dependent on donations from grassroots individuals. Donations to the Steel Interstate Coalition enable our bottom-up work to coalesce grassroots registered voters with the goal to precipitate state and federal funds to learn more about alternative river, railway, and “transit on demand” modes to decongest regional highways, fulfilling our mission in the Portland, Oregon metro.

Donations enable the Steel Interstate Coalition to work in other North American corridors, too, e.g., to make I-81 multimodal through Virginia's Shenandoah Valley, (<http://www.steelinterstate.org/projects/virginia>), and to learn more about the prospects for Land Ferry service in the I-80 corridor between San Francisco and Salt Lake City, (<http://www.steelinterstate.org/projects>).

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