

RESOLUTION NO. 1246

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CITY POSITION REGARDING THE CLOSURE OF EXIT 16B AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 1075.

WHEREAS, The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) plans to make improvements to Interstate 84 (I-84) between 223rd Avenue and the Troutdale Interchange (Exit 17) beginning in the fall of 1996; and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements include the closure of Exit 16B, a partial interchange which provides an exit-only capability for eastbound traffic at the western edge of the City of Troutdale; and

WHEREAS, the City has opposed the closure of Exit 16B because such closure will be detrimental to the growth and livability of Troutdale and will create unacceptable congestion problems at Exit 17; and

WHEREAS, the City Council expressed its opposition to the closure of Exit 16B by the passage of Resolution No. 1075, enacted on January 11, 1994; and

WHEREAS, ODOT has recently determined that it will not be possible to retain Exit 16B; and

WHEREAS, ODOT has offered to make interim mitigation improvements to Frontage Road at Exit 17 and to work with Multnomah County to study and, if feasible, build a connection between I-84 and Multnomah County's proposed arterial extension of 242nd Avenue as a longer-term mitigation measure for the closure of Exit 16B.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE

1. That, if retention of Exit 16B is impossible, the City Council will accept ODOT's offer, in cooperation with Multnomah County, to promptly study the feasibility of constructing a connection between I-84 and the County's proposed arterial extension of 242nd Avenue, and if such a study determines the connection to be feasible, the Council understands that ODOT will work for its construction as befits its importance to the overall regional transportation system.
2. That a connection to Halsey Street be included in the study.
3. That Resolution No. 1075 is hereby rescinded.

YEAS: 4

NAYS:
ABSTAINED:

1 (Thalhofer)

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Paul Thalhofer, Mayor

Dated: 5-17-96


George Martinez, City Recorder

Adopted: 5-14-96

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