

RESOLUTION NO. 1834

WHEREAS, Section 267.105 of Oregon Revised Statutes, (being a part of Chapter 643, 1969 Oregon Session Laws) provides that the governing body of the most populous city in a standard metropolitan statistical area may by resolution propose creation of a mass transit district, if that city has a local transit system and if the governing body finds that areawide mass transit needs cannot be met by local transit operation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Eugene, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Oregon, is the governing body of the most populous city in that area designated and published by the United States Bureau of the Budget as the Eugene-Springfield Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eugene is served by a local transit system pursuant to a Franchise granted by the City of Eugene, to and operated by the Emerald Transportation System, Inc., an Oregon Corporation; and

WHEREAS, said Emerald Transportation System, Inc. also operates a mass transit system and service in the City of Springfield and some parts of the Eugene-Springfield metropolitan district adjoining said cities and in Lane County, Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Springfield, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Oregon, has considered the proposal of the City of Eugene to request the Governor of the State of Oregon to establish a mass transit district and has advised the City Council of Eugene that it supports the establishment of a mass transit district as requested by the City; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this resolution has been preceded by a public hearing, after notice of the same as is required by law

for regular consideration of other resolutions by the City Council; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Eugene hereby makes the following findings:

(1) The Emerald Transportation System, Inc. has operated under a franchise granted by the City Council and has, from time to time, increased its passenger fares;

(2) Each increase in passenger fares has been followed by a decrease in bus passengers and has contributed to an increase in the use of private passenger vehicles, coupled with the demand for more and wider freeways and arterial streets to accommodate the high volume of traffic;

(3) Said transit company has from time to time reduced the frequency of bus runs on its routes, thereby imposing a further hardship on many passengers who rely upon the local transit system as their only means of transportation;

(4) Said transit company has notified the City of Eugene that it cannot operate its bus lines in the City of Eugene after July 1, 1970, without public subsidy;

(5) The City of Springfield and unincorporated areas of Lane County, Oregon are served by the said Emerald Transportation System, Inc.;

(6) The Emerald Transportation System, Inc. has not followed an adequate schedule for the replacement of buses, and most of the buses operated by this Company are at least 15 years old, causing a greater inconvenience from bus breakdowns, a greater discomfort to passengers and more pollution of the air, than would be caused by the operation of newer buses;

(7) The needs of the Eugene-Springfield metropolitan area for an economical and efficient mass transit system cannot be met by a local transit operation;

(8) There is a need for the creation of a mass transit district in the Eugene-Springfield standard metropolitan statistical area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is addressed to the Honorable Tom McCall, Governor of the State of Oregon, and is intended to comply with the provisions of Section 267.105 of Oregon Revised Statutes (Section 3, Chapter 643, 1969 Oregon Session Laws); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor hereby is requested to appoint members of the board of directors of a mass transit district pursuant to said Section 267.110 to 267.990 of Oregon Revised Statutes (Chapter 643), said mass transit district to have as its geographic boundaries all territory within Lane County, Oregon; and

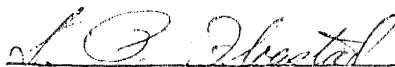
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Recorder hereby is directed to deliver a duplicate original of this resolution to the Governor in Salem, Oregon, personally or by certified mail without undue delay.

Adopted by the Common Council of Eugene, Oregon this 22nd day of June, 1970.

/s/ S. P. Flogstad

CITY RECORDER

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Resolution #1834, adopted by the Common Council of the City of Eugene on June 22, 1970.


S. P. Flogstad, City Recorder