

RESOLUTION NO. 2150

INTRODUCED BY COMMISSIONER Mark Kujala

Supporting the Request for Transportation Enhancement
Funds from the Oregon Department of Transportation

WHEREAS, the City of Warrenton recognizes the importance of trails (trail being any path, track, or right-of-way designed for use by pedestrians, bicycles, or other non-motorized modes of transportation) and recreation to the quality of life of the residents of Warrenton and surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, the City recently reaffirmed the above after meeting with the Warrenton Trails' Association, a City-supported local citizens group that has been actively participating in trail development over the past decade; and

WHEREAS, the Warrenton Trails' Association recently held a workshop which included over 60 participants to discuss bicycle and pedestrian trails in the City with the long term goal of developing 26 miles of trail in Warrenton; and

WHEREAS, through the efforts of the Port of Astoria, the Oregon Department of Transportation has invited an application for Transportation Enhancement Funds for 2009-2011 funding; and

WHEREAS, an application for funding the following proposed project is a cooperative effort by the City of Warrenton, Port of Astoria, National Park Service, and the Warrenton Trails' Association; and

WHEREAS, this proposed project:

- will include nearly five miles of paved bicycle and pedestrian paths constructed in compliance with Oregon Department of Transportation specifications, and
- be located on top of existing dikes bordering the Lewis and Clark River, Youngs' Bay, and the Columbia River, and
- will connect Fort Clatsop National Park, Jeffers' Garden, and Warrenton retail centers with central downtown Warrenton, and
- will include along the trail a variety of bird and wildlife areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WARRENTON RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

To support this application for Transportation Enhancement Funds, the City will pledge matching funds of the project. The City, through its Warrenton Business Association, has given the Warrenton Trails' Association \$30,000 in fiscal year 2005-2006 and a similar amount has been included in the Warrenton Business Association's 2006-2007 budget for

the Warrenton Trails' Association with this total amount to be used for bicycle and pedestrian trail development.

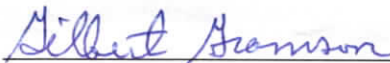
The City owns the dikes within its jurisdiction that will be used for the bicycle and pedestrian paths.

The City will maintain the trails along the dikes within its jurisdiction.

This Resolution takes effect immediately upon its passage and will be included in the joint application to the Oregon Department of Transportation for 2009-2011 Transportation Enhancement Funds.

Adopted by the City Commission of the City of Warrenton this 13th day of June, 2006.

APPROVED:



Gilbert Gramson, Mayor

ATTES:



Linda Engbretson, City Recorder