

Memorandum Date: November 6, 2006  
Order Date: November 8, 2006

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SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

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**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works Engineering

**PRESENTED BY:** Celia Barry, Transportation Planning, and  
Lane Transit District Staff

**AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** ORDER/IN THE MATTER OF ENDORSING THE PIONEER  
PARKWAY EmX CORRIDOR

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Attached is an updated Board Order that more clearly specifies that the Board is being asked to endorse the Pioneer Parkway EmX project concept. The Order submitted with the initial Board packet memo (October 19, 2006 Cover Memo) indicated that endorsement of the specific corridor, which is delineated in the Environmental Assessment Executive Summary and is the Locally Preferred Alternative, is being requested.

The distinction seems important to clarify because the project is in the planning stages and actual design and construction have not yet occurred.

**VII. ATTACHMENT**

Replacement Board Order

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY  
STATE OF OREGON

ORDER NO.

)IN THE MATTER OF ENDORSING THE  
)PIONEER PARKWAY BUS RAPID TRANSIT EmX  
)CORRIDOR

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners most recently adopted *TransPlan*, the Eugene-Springfield Transportation System Plan in July 2002, including Bus Rapid Transit as a policy to address traffic congestion; and

**WHEREAS**, the Springfield City Council unanimously concurred with the EmX Steering Committee's recommendation on November 19, 2001, that Lane Transit District (LTD) move forward with the evaluation of alternatives and project development activities that would extend the EmX system from the downtown Springfield Station north into the Gateway area; and

**WHEREAS**, Lane Transit District evaluated alignment alternatives and operational alternatives in an extensive public involvement process between 2001 and 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, the Springfield City Council, the LTD Board of Directors, and the Metropolitan Policy Committee endorsed the Locally Preferred Alternative for the Pioneer Parkway EmX project in May 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, the EmX Steering Committee recommended endorsement of the Locally Preferred Alternative on October 17, 2006, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Springfield City Council held a public hearing on the project concept and adopted the proposal on November 6, 2006; and

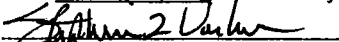
**WHEREAS**, Lane Transit District and the Federal Transit Administration are processing an Environmental Assessment with a proposed Finding of No Significant Impact for the Locally Preferred Alternative for the Pioneer Parkway Corridor EmX project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners considered the proposed project concept at its work session on November 8, 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lane Transit District Board of Directors requests the Board of County Commissioners to endorse the Pioneer Parkway EmX project concept; **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT**

**ORDERED**, that the Board of County Commissioners formally endorses the Pioneer Parkway Bus Rapid Transit EmX project concept as generally described and proposed in Exhibit A, the Environmental Assessment Executive Summary for the project, included herein.

**DATED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of November, 2006.

APPROVED AS TO FORM Date <u>11-16-2006</u> Lane County  OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL
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Bill Dwyer, Chair  
Lane County Board of Commissioners