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TriMet  
1800 SW 1st Avenue  
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**RE: Support for TriMet's STIF Discretionary Grant Application for Proposed Regional Transit Priority Spot Improvements**

Dear Mr. Norman:

The City of Wilsonville, operator of the South Metro Area Regional Transit (SMART) agency, is pleased to provide this letter of support for TriMet's application to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) Discretionary Grant program to fund Transit Priority Spot Improvements throughout the region.

As a community located in both Clackamas and Washington Counties that seeks to improve public transit mobility options in the South Metro I-5 Corridor, we very supportive of TriMet's efforts to provide regional transit priority spot improvements.

Targeted investments to improve the speed and reliability of bus service are aligned with the priority outcomes identified in the Washington County Transportation Futures Study and the pending Clackamas County Transit Development Plan, as well as Wilsonville's SMART Transit Master Plan.

We are regional partners in achieving the vision of the Metro Regional Transit Strategy and believe that investing in Transit Priority and other enhanced bus service will contribute to progress toward this vision. As TriMet identifies potential improvements within our area, Wilsonville/SMART will consider contributing funds or coordinating implementation for prioritized Transit Priority Spot Improvements.

The measured outcomes of piloted Transit Priority Spot Improvements make us optimistic that these investments produce results that improve the customer experience of using transit, encourage a mode shift from single occupant vehicles to public transit, and contribute to reducing congestion in the greater Portland metro region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tim Knapp".

Tim Knapp, Mayor  
City of Wilsonville