CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON RESOLUTION NO. 403

A RESOLUTION, relating to highway and traffic congestion; and urging the State Highway Commission and Department of Highways to expedite the early completion of the extension of SR 520 to SR 202 and the completion of the Avondale Connector.

WHEREAS, the extension of SR 520 from the Evergreen Point Bridge to SR 202 (Redmond-Fall City Highway) was placed on the State Highway System in 1965, was thereafter funded, the necessary right-of-way acquired and portions have been constructed, but since such time, due to numerous delays caused by accelerating costs, decreasing highway revenues and other demands made upon the highway fund, the extension of SR 520 has not been completed to date; and

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond, in connection with the planning, construction and improvement of its streets and highways and traffic circulation system, has at all times acted in reliance upon the early completion of SR 520; and

WHEREAS, traffic volumes on Redmond Way, the principal east/west arterial through the City of Redmond and which carries a large proportion of non-local motor vehicle traffic originating east or west of Redmond and traveling through Redmond, have increased tremendously in recent years to the extent that there is serious and severe traffic congestion throughout the central business district of Redmond, impairing traffic safety and causing numerous hazards to traffic, pedestrians and shoppers, and which condition has created a serious economic detriment to the commercial establishments located in Redmond; and

WHEREAS, the early completion of SR 520 to SR 202 and the completion of the Avondale Connector will relieve traffic congestion upon Redmond Way, which is a state highway forming a part of the city street system, and will greatly enhance the free movement of traffic and the economic development of the City of Redmond; and such improvements are urgently and vitally necessary for the public health, peace and safety of the citizens of Redmond and other citizens of the State of Washington; Now, Therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND DO RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Early completion of SR 520 urged. That the State Highway Commission and the Department of Highways be urged to expedite the early completion of the extension of SR 520 from the Evergreen Point Bridge to SR 202 (Redmond-Fall City Highway) and the completion of the Avondale Connector.in order to greatly improve traffic safety, the free movement of traffic and to relieve the severe traffic congestion now encumbering Redmond Way by completing this vital east/west route for through traffic.

2. Copies of resolution to be forwarded. That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the State Highway Commission, Department of Highways, the Governor's Office and other appropriate agencies which may be instrumental and interested in obtaining the early completion of this urgently needed highway improvement.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Redmond, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, and APPROVED by the Mayor this 2000 day of July, 1976.

CITY OF REDMOND

SELWYN L. YOUNG

MAYOR

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