

RESOLUTION NO. 22-26

**A RESOLUTION CALLING FORTH THE CONCERNS OF THE CITY OF OREGON CITY WITH THE IMPACTS OF THE I-205 TOLLING PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oregon City supports a functional regional interstate system that prioritizes equity, safety, a vibrant economy, healthy and active communities, climate action, disaster resilience, and the reliable movement of people and goods; and

**WHEREAS**, the current I-205 Tolling Project proposed by ODOT will toll all lanes in an effort to raise revenue and reduce congestion on the freeway; and

**WHEREAS**, the current I-205 Tolling Project proposal does not meet the needs or resolve the diversion currently affecting I-205 between Stafford Road and OR 99E due to the existing bottleneck and will likely do more harm to the environment and quality of life in the surrounding communities by redistributing traffic and emissions in areas unprepared for it; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing bottleneck on I-205 between Stafford Road and OR 99E already results in significant congestion, unnecessary safety issues, and diversion into local communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oregon City has seen no evidence that the proposed toll project will help to resolve the original diversion that was to be solved with the project and no evidence that the toll project will mitigate additional diversion resulting from tolling; and

**WHEREAS**, this proposal will disproportionately affect residents and businesses in the City of Oregon City and surrounding communities and negatively impact commerce and contribute to economic slowdown.

**NOW, THEREFORE, OREGON CITY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

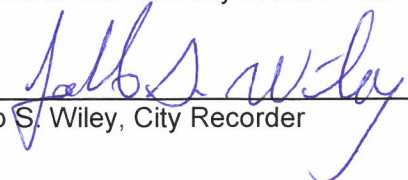
**Section 1.** ODOT should recognize the widespread and substantial public opposition to tolling and evaluate other sources of funding.

**Section 2.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Commission.

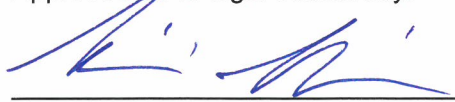
Approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Commission held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022.

  
DENYSE C. MCGRIFF  
Commission President

Attested to this 15th day of June 2022

  
Jakob S. Wiley, City Recorder

Approved as to legal sufficiency:

  
City Attorney