RESOLUTION

of the
ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

expressing
SUPPORT FOR A FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT APPLICATION FOR TIGER II FUNDING TO ANALYZE THE INTEGRATION OF THE CENTRAL FLORIDA COMMUTER RAIL SYSTEM (SUNRAIL) WITH FLORIDA HIGH SPEED RAIL; PROVIDING A CONDITIONAL COMMITMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS.

Resolution No. 2010-M-63

WHEREAS, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation ("FDOT") has committed to apply for a Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER II) Planning Grant with the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, Orange County is a member organization of the Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission along with Osceola County, Seminole County, the County of Volusia, and the City of Orlando which was established to participate, with FDOT, in the creation of SunRail and ultimately, to own and operate SunRail; and

WHEREAS, FDOT, along with local and federal partners, is also seeking to create High Speed Rail in Florida;

WHEREAS, the success of Florida’s approved High Speed Rail project is dependent in part on the system’s ability to connect to other major transportation systems such as SunRail and the Orlando International Airport; and

WHEREAS, the TIGER II Planning Grant will fund an analysis that will provide recommendations as to how best to integrate Florida’s High Speed Rail, Central Florida’s SunRail, the Orlando International Airport, the Orange County Convention Center, Lake Nona – Medical City area/Innovation Way, and Osceola Northeast District; and

WHEREAS, Orange County supports multimodal transportation projects in the Central Florida Region (SunRail) and the State’s Long Range Transportation Plan (High Speed Rail), which two projects constitute a public purpose and will operate to enhance the safety and efficiency of the traveling public and the citizens of Orange County.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

SECTION 1. Orange County hereby pledges its support and commitment to FDOT’s grant application for a TIGER II Planning Grant in order to fund the Orlando International Airport Connector Refresh Alternative Analysis project that will provide recommendations for integrating Florida’s High Speed Rail, Central Florida’s SunRail, the Orlando International Airport, the Orange County Convention Center, Lake Nona – Medical City area/Innovation Way, and Osceola Northeast District to optimize the safety and efficiency of the traveling public.

SECTION 2. Orange County hereby commits to provide “matching” funds to FDOT for the TIGER II project in the amount of $85,000, which is 5% of the total project cost of $1,700,000, subject to a subsequent agreement between Orange County and FDOT. “Matching” funds will be obligated at the time the TIGER II Planning Grant is awarded.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED this ___ day of AUG 17 2010, 2010.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Board of County Commissioners


By: Richard T. Crotty
Orange County Mayor

Date: 8.17.10

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller
As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners


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