

**REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

**HENDERSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Resolution in Support of the FBRMPO's Regional Transit Feasibility Study

**PRESENTER:** Tristan Winkler, FBRMPO Director

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. Resolution

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

The French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board met on October 24, 2019 and voted to solicit resolutions of support for the Regional Transit Feasibility Study. The study will explore regional transit options aimed to improve service including the feasibility of potential routes, available funding, and a cost benefit analysis of a consolidated system.

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

Staff requests the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution of support.

**Suggested Motion:**

*I move the Board approve the resolution in support of the FBRMPO's Regional Transit Feasibility Study.*



**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE FRENCH BROAD RIVER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION’S REGIONAL TRANSIT FEASIBILITY STUDY PHASE ONE**

**WHEREAS**, the French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization (FBRMPO) allotted funding through the Unified Planning Work Program for a two-phase Regional Transit Feasibility Study that is intended to stretch over FY20 and FY21; and

**WHEREAS**, this study aligns with the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), which recommends a “feasibility study to explore regional transit options” and recommends that the FBRMPO “coordinate efforts between transit providers to improve regional transit service;” and

**WHEREAS**, this study considers the feasibility of potential routes, available funding for, and a cost-benefit analysis of regional transit; and

**WHEREAS**, NCDOT’s 2040 Statewide Transportation plan recommended increased focus on regional planning to increase flexibility and responsiveness while examining logistical needs through investments; and

**WHEREAS**, the FBRMPO region is growing in population and experiencing more cross-county commuting; and

**WHEREAS**, this study will serve as the first step towards improving public transit in the region by providing a deeper understanding of existing needs, system conditions, and recommendations for improvement; and

**WHEREAS**, the FBRMPO Board requested a resolution of support be sent to the government entities included in this study;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by **HENDERSON COUNTY** to support the FBRMPO Regional Transit Study to move forward and examine how to implement and improve regional transit.

**ADOPTED** this day, the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

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Signature

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Date