City of College Place

RESOLUTION NO. 848

A RESOLUTION, BY THE CITY OF COLLEGE PLACE, APPROVING THE NEW WALLA WALLA VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT, AND AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP THEREIN.

WHEREAS, current federal law requires that every Urbanized Area (UZA) with a population threshold of 50,000 residents or more be represented by an MPO, and the Census Bureau has designated the Walla Walla, WA-OR Urbanized Area with over 50,000 people in population, requiring the formation of a bi-state Metropolitan Planning Organization in Oregon and Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Walla Walla, WA-OR Urbanized Area encompasses the cities of Walla Walla and College Place, Washington, in Walla Walla County, and the city of Milton-Freewater, Oregon, in Umatilla County, and includes numerous entities responsible for transportation facilities and services; and

WHEREAS, the City of College Place acknowledges the need to engage in seeking designation as an MPO, and the need to develop an Interlocal agreement in order to engage in cooperative planning and decision making on transportation issues and the benefits to be derived therefrom; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 845 authorized the Mayor to execute a previous version of this Interlocal Agreement, the terms of which have been modified slightly;

WHEREAS, a revised Interlocal Agreement, which differs slightly from the previous version approved by Council, has been developed and approved by authorized representatives from College Place and other designated local agencies that form the Policy Board of the new MPO;

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of College Place do resolve as follows:

- 1. The revised Walla Walla Valley MPO Interlocal Agreement is hereby approved, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to affirm membership for the City of College Place in the MPO so created and to execute such agreement.
- 2. The mayor is also authorized to make minor changes to the agreement of a non substantive nature prior to execution, with the advice of the City Attorney and City Administrator, without returning the matter to the Council if, in his judgment, such changes are needed to meet the

pending deadline established by the federal government in order to avoid loss of federal funding for pending projects.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the College Place city Council this 11th day of March, 2013

APPROVED:

Rick Newby — Mayor

ATTEST:

Sarah K. Scott - City Clerk