THURSTON REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-04

RELATING to the Metropolitan Planning Area boundary for the Thurston Regional Planning Council Metropolitan Planning Organization.

WHEREAS, Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC) is designated by the governor as the official Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Olympia-Lacey, WA Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, TRPC has the specific responsibility to direct and administer the federally required comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing metropolitan transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, 23 CFR 450.312(a) requires that MPOs define a Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) that, at a minimum, include the entire Olympia-Lacey, WA Urbanized Area, as defined by the Bureau of the Census, plus the contiguous area expected to become urbanized within a 20-year forecast period; and

WHEREAS, the current MPA boundary for the MPO contains the minimum area as defined in 23 CFR 450.312(a); and

WHEREAS, 23 CFR 450.312(a)(3) allows for MPA boundaries to be further expanded to encompass the entire metropolitan statistical area, as defined by Office of Management and Budget; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 23 CFR 450.312(g), the proposed expansion will not cause the MPA boundary to overlap with the MPA boundary of any adjacent MPO; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 23 CFR 450.310(l), adding members to the MPO that represent new units of general purpose government, resulting from the expansion of the MPO, does not require a re-designation of the MPO; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Board (TPB) of TRPC recommends adoption of the new MPA boundary for the MPO.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT TRPC approves the MPA for the MPO as the Olympia-Tumwater, WA Metropolitan Statistical Area, as shown on the map attached hereto and made a part thereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT TRPC staff are instructed to transmit this adoption to the appropriate state and federal agencies.

ADOPTED this 2nd day of June 2017.

ATTEST:

Marc Daily, Executive Director
Thurston Regional Planning Council

Tom Oliva, Chair
Thurston Regional Planning Council