RESOLUTION No. 35590

- Encourage Multnomah County to widen the sidewalks on the Hawthorne Bridge as part of the deck reconstruction and bridge repainting project in 1997-98 (Resolution)
- WHEREAS, the Hawthorne Bridge carries over 2200 bicyclists per day and over 2000 pedestrians per day, and
- WHEREAS, lack of good bicycle and pedestrian access to Willamette River bridges has been identified as a primary barrier to more frequent bicycling and walking, and
- WHEREAS, the current sidewalks are of substandard width at only 6 feet wide, and
- WHEREAS, the substandard width causes numerous conflicts and is inadequate for shared use by bicycles and pedestrians, and
- WHEREAS, Multnomah County is preparing to undertake a project to reconstruct the Hawthorne Bridge deck and repaint the bridge, for an estimated \$20 million, and
- WHEREAS, a full 12-month bridge closure will allow for a more cost-effective project that may save enough money to fund the sidewalk widening, estimated at \$1.3 million, and
- WHEREAS, the City supports the 12-month closure in order to allow for the savings, and expects Multnomah County to dedicate the savings to fund the sidewalk widening, and
- WHEREAS, Multnomah County identified the Hawthorne Bridge sidewalk widening as a top priority in the Willamette River Bridges Access Project in 1994, and
- WHEREAS, the State Transportation Planning Rule requires Portland to reduce per capita vehicle miles traveled by 10% over the next 20 years, and the inadequacy of the Hawthorne Bridge sidewalks are a barrier to meeting that goal, and
- WHEREAS, Multnomah County is a regional partner in meeting the Transportation Planning Rule's requirements to reduce per capita vehicle miles traveled and in improving livability for all Portland residents, and
- WHEREAS, the City desires to work with Multnomah County to assure completion of this crucial bicycle and pedestrian link

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Portland, Oregon, that the City Council assumes that Multnomah County will apply savings from the 12-month closure to widen the sidewalks on the Hawthorne Bridge as part of the deck reconstruction and bridge repainting project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council direct City transportation staff to work with Multnomah County staff to complete the project

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