

RESOLUTION No. 37055

Support HR 3636, the Update, Promote, and Develop America's Transportation Essentials Act of 2013, and other efforts to stabilize federal funding for transportation infrastructure (Resolution)

WHEREAS, safe, affordable, and adequately maintained transportation infrastructure is essential to Portland's economy and a thriving community; and

WHEREAS, federal gas tax revenues support both the Highway Trust Fund and the Mass Transit Account; and

WHEREAS, the federal Highway Trust Fund and Mass Transit Fund are both expected to be insolvent as soon as 2014; and

WHEREAS, the federal gas tax has remained the same since 1993, while the costs of building and maintaining transportation infrastructure have continued to grow; and

WHEREAS, as vehicles become more efficient and use less gasoline per mile, the gas tax is increasingly unable to fund essential transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Blumenauer has introduced HR 3636, the Update, Promote, and Develop America's Transportation Essentials (UPDATE) Act of 2013, which would raise the gas tax, index it to inflation, and also replace the gas tax by 2024 with a funding source for road transportation that is sustainable over the long term; and

WHEREAS, federal gas tax revenues are shared with states, which in turn provide funding to local projects; and

WHEREAS, Oregon receives more than \$500 million per year in federal gas tax revenues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that City Council supports HR 3636, the UPDATE Act of 2013, and other efforts to stabilize federal funding for transportation infrastructure.

Adopted by the Council: JAN 29 2014

Commissioners: Mayor Charlie Hales and Steve Novick

Prepared by: Matthew Robinson

Date Prepared: December 23, 2013

LaVonne Griffin-Valade

Auditor of the City of Portland

By


Deputy

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<p>INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Charlie Hales Commissioner Steve Novick</p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>JAN 24 2014</u></p>
<p>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales <i>JP</i></p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz</p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman</p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Novick <i>ms</i></p> <p>BUREAU APPROVAL Bureau: Mayor's Office</p> <p>Prepared by: Matthew Robinson Date Prepared: 1/16/2014</p> <p>Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances</p> <p>City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan</p> <p>Council Meeting Date January 29, 2014</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <i>[Signature]</i> Deputy</p> <p>ACTION TAKEN:</p>

AGENDA
<p>TIME CERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Start time:</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p>CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>REGULAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: 15 min (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:	
	YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz ✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish ✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman —	
4. Novick	4. Novick ✓	
Hales	Hales ✓	