RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE SUBMISSION OF SMART SCALE (HB2) APPLICATIONS REQUESTING TRANSPORTATION FUNDING BY LOCALITIES

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville-Albemarle Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Transportation and the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission, completed a comprehensive Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) in May, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the 2040 LRTP includes the following transportation improvements; and

WHEREAS, the MPO Policy Board has identified transportation projects which are critical to improve safe and efficient movement of people and goods along public roadways in the Charlottesville-Albemarle Metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, during its 2014 session, the Virginia General Assembly enacted legislation in the form of House Bill 2 (“HB2”) now titled “Smart Scale”, which established new criteria for the allocation of transportation funding for projects within the state; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) during its board meeting of June 17, 2015 approved the Policy and Guidelines for Implementation of a Project Prioritization Process in accordance with Smart Scale; and

WHEREAS, many of the transportation projects identified by the MPO meet the eligibility criteria for funding under Smart Scale; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Area of Charlottesville-Albemarle, for the MPO, the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County to submit HB2 applications requesting state funding for eligible transportation projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Policy Board of the MPO fully endorses submission of a Smart Scale application requesting funding for the following transportation projects:
Being Submitted by Charlottesville

1. W Main Streetscape Ph 3 – 8th St NW to Roosevelt Brown Ave.
2. Preston Ave & Grady Ave Intersection Improvements
3. Emmet Street Multimodal Phase Two
4. Ridge Street Multimodal Improvements.

Being Submitted by Albemarle

1. Access Management on US 250 East from VA 20 (Stoney Point Rd) east to Hanson Rd.
2. John Warner Pkwy / Rio Rd Intersection Improvements
3. Belvedere/Rio Rd Intersection Improvements
4. Old Lynchburg Rd./5th St. Ext. /County Office Bldg. Intersection Improvements
5. Rt. 20/53 Intersection Improvements

Being Submitted by the Planning District Commission but within the MPO Area

1. 107 Park and Ride Lot
2. Rt. 29 Shared Use Path
3. Rt. 29/Fray’s Mill/Burnley Station Intersection Improvements
4. 5th Street Hub and Trails

Being Submitted by the CA-MPO within the MPO Area

1. US 29 and Fontaine Ave Interchange Improvement
2. Hillsdale Drive South Extension
3. Hydraulic Road and US 29

ADOPTED this 22nd day of July, 2020 by the MPO Policy Board being duly assembled.

ATTESTED:

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Michael Payne, Chair
Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Policy Board