Resolution to Amend the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan
To incorporate the Route 250 Free Bridge Improvements into the 2040 LRTP

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Policy Board is concerned about the welfare and safety of the residents of the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County and the conditions of its transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Policy Board is invested in the current and future traffic issues on and surrounding the U.S. 250 corridor in the City of Charlottesville and in Albemarle County; and

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Policy Board is concerned about growth and planned development along the U.S. 250 corridor in Albemarle County and farther east; and

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Policy Board recognizes that the U.S. 250 corridor is a multi-jurisdictional roadway and must accommodate the needs of both state and local traffic; and

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Policy Board understands that the U.S. 250 Corridor is a Corridor of Statewide Significance; and

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO did complete the Ecologic Project considering multiple options for traffic improvements at Free Bridge and recommending a combination of bridge improvements and bike/pedestrian additions; and

WHEREAS, the MPO Policy Board is considering the endorsement of the Virginia Department of Transportation Smartscale funding application for the Free Bridge multi-modal improvements at its July 27th, 2016 MPO Policy Board meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Citizen’s Transportation Advisory Committee and the MPO Technical Committee have both previously reviewed the inclusion of this project into the Long Range Transportation Plan Visioning List and application of the project for Smartscale (HB2) funding; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Policy Board chooses to amend the MPO’s Long Range Transportation Plan (2040 LRTP) to include the transportation improvements for U.S. 250 at Free Bridge to include multi-modal transportation improvements for vehicle, pedestrian and bicycle.

Adopted this 27th day of July, 2016 by the Charlottesville-Albemarle Metropolitan Planning Organization.

ATTESTED:

[Kristin Szakos, Chair]
Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Policy Board

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[Date: 7-27-16]