

**CITY OF MONROE
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-005**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING THE CITY'S UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL FUNDING TO SUPPORT RAIL AND ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe applied for \$250,000 to assess and design conceptual solutions for constructing railroad grade separations through the Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Program funded by the United States Department of Transportation in September of 2023; and

WHEREAS, a Railroad Community Survey revealed that the five Burlington Northern Santa Fe rail crossings bisecting the City impact the daily commutes of city residents, create barriers to essential services, have an impact on businesses, create environmental concerns and other community-specific challenges; and

WHEREAS, *Imagine Monroe* was adopted as the City's vision statement in 2021 and makes an aspirational commitment to a healthy environment, accessibility to goods and services, strengthening regional connections, and creating a safe place for all; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Monroe, Washington adopted the City's 2024 Legislative Agenda on December 12, 2023; and

WHEREAS, one of the priorities identified on the 2024 Legislative Agenda is to seek funding for an assessment of the five rail crossings that bifurcate the city and grade separation designs for the crossings identified in the assessment.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES TO GIVE ITS COLLECTIVE VOICE OF SUPPORT TO THE CITY'S RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM APPLICATION:

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Monroe, at its regular meeting thereof, and APPROVED by the Mayor this 27th day of February, 2024.

ATTEST:


Jodi Wycoff (Mar 1, 2024 07:57 PST)

Jodi Wycoff, City Clerk

CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON:


Geoffrey Thomas (Feb 29, 2024 20:44 PST)

Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Zach Lell (Feb 29, 2024 09:38 PST)

J. Zachary Lell, City Attorney

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