

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL-CARRBORO
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING**

WHEREAS, Section 134 of Title 23 of the United States Code establishes requirements for the designation of metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), plans to be developed, transportation modes to be included in the planning process, and other factors; and,

WHEREAS, the aforementioned section requires a “performance-driven, outcome-based approach to planning” for an intermodal (including bicycle and pedestrian) transportation system; and,

WHEREAS, Section 66.2 of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes requires that MPOs develop comprehensive transportation plans (CTP); and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Carrboro has participated in the regional transportation process as an active member of the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC-MPO); and,

WHEREAS, the planning activities of the DCHC-MPO are governed by a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) approved and signed by the State and all MPO member jurisdictions; and,

WHEREAS, the current MOU was executed in January 1994; and,

WHEREAS, several changes are necessary to “reflect current federal and state legislation and regulations, planning practices of the MPO, updated population figures, and best planning principles”, as stated by MPO staff; and,

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Committee of the MPO approved the revisions on October 9, 2013, but it must be approved by member jurisdictions’ governing bodies in order to be fully executed; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Carrboro continues to be committed to working with all MPO member jurisdictions to further cooperative, comprehensive, and continuing transportation planning; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen reviewed the revisions to the MOU on February 4, 2014, and directed that a follow-up meeting be scheduled in order to receive more information;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen that the Board of Aldermen approves the revised Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC-MPO) Memorandum of Understanding as included in Attachment B.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen authorizes the Mayor to execute the revised DCHC-MPO Memorandum of Understanding as included in Attachment B.

ATTACHMENT A

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen authorizes the Mayor to execute the DCHC-MPO Memorandum of Understanding as included in Attachment B with the following alternative language replacing the current language on p. 6 regarding a quorum.

Current language

“A quorum of the MPO Board shall consist of a majority of the voting members whose votes together represent a majority of the possible weighted votes identified in the weighted vote schedule below.”

Alternative language

“A quorum of the MPO Board shall exist when both of the following two conditions are met:

1. A majority of the voting members are present.
2. The voting members who are present represent a majority of the possible weighted votes identified in the weighted vote schedule below.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen acknowledges that the process for payment of the local match by the Town of Carrboro to the MPO for MPO planning activities included in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) – including, but not necessarily limited to, the timing of payment and documentation necessary for payment – will be subject to further discussion by Town staff, MPO staff, staff from other MPO member jurisdictions, and, if necessary, the Board of Aldermen and MPO Transportation Advisory Committee.

This is the 25th day of February in the year 2014.