A RESOLUTION APPROVING A REVISED VERSION OF 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 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 Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) of the MPO approved a revised MOU on October 9, 2013; and,

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2014, the Board of Aldermen approved the revised MOU and authorized the Mayor to sign it; and,

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2014, the TAC subsequently approved a version of the MOU revised further by non-substantial changes; and,

WHEREAS, the Board finds it prudent to re-approve the March 12, 2014, MOU and reauthorize the Mayor to sign it, in order to ensure the highest degree of consistency in its approval process;

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, dated March 12, 2014, including any subsequent versions of it with non-substantive changes only.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen authorizes the Mayor to execute the revised Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC-MPO) Memorandum of Understanding as included in Attachment B, dated March 12, 2014, including any subsequent versions of it with non-substantive changes only.

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 18th day of March in the year 2014.