RESOLUTION NO. ____________

BY THE COUNCIL: BISTERFELDT, CLEGG, EBERLE, JORDAN, MAPP, AND SHEALY,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF BOISE, TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER LETTERS TO THE ADA COUNTY HIGHWAY DISTRICT FOR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ADA COUNTY HIGHWAY DISTRICT 2006-2010 FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM, AND TO THE COMMUNITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHWEST IDAHO FOR THE 2006-2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS AND PRIORITIES, AND APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND PRIORITIES FOR THE 2006-2010 FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM AND 2006-2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ON BEHALF OF BOISE CITY, AND INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHWEST IDAHO FOR CONSIDERATION FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2030 COMMUNITIES IN MOTION REGIONAL LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, a Boise City Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Committee was formed for the purpose of recommending transportation projects to the City Council for consideration for inclusion in the Ada County Highway District (ACHD) 2006-2010 Five Year Work Program and the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) 2006-2010 Transportation Improvement Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Committee made specific recommendations as to Language of Intent, Policies and to Specific Projects; and,

WHEREAS, the TIP Committee’s recommendations were approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission on August 12, 2004; and,

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that roadways will continue to be expanded to meet increasing transportation needs; and

WHEREAS, the Boise City Council recognizes that future roadway designs must take into account the land use context that they serve, to take advantage of the opportunities the adjacent land uses provide for trip capture and a more livable community; and,
WHEREAS, the concerns of Boise citizens for an effective transportation system, integrating a safe and efficient roadway system with transit, bicycle and pedestrian systems which are connected, safe and conducive to travel guided the TIP committee’s discussions; and,

WHEREAS, the recommended transportation projects represent the development and expansion of essential roadways and a multi-modal system for the benefit of the City; and,

WHEREAS, the recommended transportation policies and projects comply with numerous policies of the Boise City Comprehensive Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Boise City Council considered the recommended policies and projects in regard to the health, welfare, and safety of the citizens of Boise,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOISE, IDAHO:

Section 1. That the Letter to the Ada County Highway District (ACHD) requesting discussion of the City’s Language of Intent, and the 2006-2010 Transportation Policies, Recommendations and Priorities, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit “A” are incorporated herein by reference, be, and the same are hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 2. That the City requests that the ACHD consider adopting at the next joint City/ACHD meeting, the Intent Language stated below as a framework for evaluating and prioritizing any and all projects that impact the City, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit “B”, are incorporated herein by reference, be, and the same are hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 3. That the City’s Transportation Policy Directions and Recommendations to the ACHD for development of the 2006-2010 annual Five Year Work Program with a request for consideration and discussion at the joint City/ACHD and meeting, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit “C” are incorporated herein by reference, be, and the same are hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 4. That the City’s Project Recommendations to ACHD for arterial and collector projects for inclusion in the 2006-2010 Five Year Work Program, copies of
which are attached hereto as Exhibit “D” are incorporated herein by reference, be, and the same are hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 5. That the Letter to COMPASS requesting discussion of the City’s Language of Intent, and forwarding 2006-2010 Transportation Improvement Program Recommendations and Communities in Motion Plan Policies, Recommendations and Priorities, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit “E” are incorporated herein by reference, be, and the same are hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 6. That the City requests that the COMPASS Board consider adopting as an element and policy of the Communities in Motion Plan, the Intent Language stated below as a framework for evaluating and prioritizing any and all projects that impact the City, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit “F”, are incorporated herein by reference, be, and the same are hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 7. That the City’s Transportation Policies, for consideration in the COMPASS Communities in Motions Plan and the 2006-2010 TIP copies of which are attached as Exhibit “G”, are incorporated herein by reference, be, and the same are hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 8. That the City’s Transportation Projects, for consideration in the 2006-2010 TIP, copies of which are attached as Exhibit “H”, are incorporated herein by reference, be, and the same are hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 9. That the City’s Transportation Project Recommendations for consideration in the COMPASS Communities in Motion Plan, copies of which are attached as Exhibit “I” are incorporated herein by reference, be, and the same are hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 10. That the Mayor is authorized to execute and deliver said Letters for and on behalf of the City of Boise City.

Section 11. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Boise City, Idaho, this _____ day of ________________, 2004.
APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Boise City, this _____ day of
________________, 2004.

ATTEST:                        APPROVED:

______________________          ________________________
City Clerk                   Mayor
Exhibit “A”

Letter to the Ada County Highway District (ACHD) for the Transportation 2006-2010 Policies, Recommendation and Priorities

October 28, 2004

Mr. John Franden, President
Board of Commissioners
Ada County Highway District
318 East 37th Street
Garden City, Idaho 83714-6499

Dear President Franden,

The City of Boise is pleased to submit the following Language of Intent, Transportation Policy, Planning and Roadway project requests to the Ada County Highway District (ACHD) for consideration as the ACHD develops the 2006-2010 Five Year Work Program (FYWP). The City requests that with the exception of the Ustick Rd., Five Mile/Cole Rd. project the projects listed and assigned a program year in the current work plan continue as City identified priorities. The City requests that the Ustick, Five Mile/Cole Rd. project move back in the FYWP to 2008 or 2009 from its current placement in FY 2007 to enable more complete discussion on what the design should be.

The Boise City Council recognizes that the request for consideration of the following intent language, policies and projects is a change in direction in how we have formerly forwarded the City’s transportation recommendations. We recognize that development of the FYWP does not easily accommodate discussion of policy issues. Since there is no other forum to engage in this discussion, we are including the following policy intent language and ask your consideration of the issues involved and the discussions required to continue moving toward a fully integrated transportation system. The City believes that these policy recommendations are important as the Highway District grapples with significant funding issues; as the ACHD budget allocations move closer to a 50/50 split between Maintenance/Operations and Capital Improvements Projects; as growth continues to place more pressure on all county infrastructure systems; as the City supports the adopted goals and policies of the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho which call for a total rate of 25% of all travel in the region be made via alternative transportation; as transportation and air quality are inextricably linked; and as an integrated transportation system allowing many travel options is in the best interests of the citizens of Boise.
Recommended Policy Projects

• **Transit Capital Funds**: Work toward increased funding at the state and national levels

• **Percentage of Surface Transportation Project-Urban (STP-U) Funds for Transit/Alternative Transportation**: Discuss as a Commission and with the COMPASS Board, the possibility of dedicating a specific percentage of STP-U funds to alternative transportation

• **State Street Transit Scenario**: Continue to allocate funding and staff time to implement the Transit Scenario recommended by the State Street Study adopted by the City of Boise and the ACHD Commission in 2004.

• **Ridge-to-Rivers/ Bicycle and Pedestrian Connectivity**: Allocate additional annual funding toward completion and interconnection of the Ridge-to-Rivers plan within the city and county bicycle and pedestrian system.

• **Transportation/Traffic Management Center**: Boise City supports the current study toward development of a concept for a regional transportation/traffic management center.

• **Roadway Improvements**: The City supports that the ACHD design roadway improvements in accord with the land use context they serve and take advantage of and support opportunities the adjacent land uses provide for trip capture and a more livable community.

Recommended Roadway Projects
Projects are referenced by name only with Attachment “D” providing additional detail

1. **Sidewalks with emphasis on safe routes to school**.
2. **East Park Center Bridge**: Move project forward in the FYWP schedule if possible, in consultation with the City and other affected parties.
3. **Bicycle Boulevard, 3rd Street**.
4. **State Street Corridor Study**: Implement the Intelligent Transportation System recommendations and other easily achievable projects from the State Street Study Transit Scenario.
5. **Traffic Signals, 3rd/Myrtle, 5th Front**: Request in 2006, coordinate the ACHD and ITD signal projects at these intersections.
6. **Maple Grove Extension**: Continue project with construction in 2006.
7. **Warm Springs Roundabout**: Allocate the additional funds to complete the entire project in 2007 in conjunction with the STP-Enhancement funds received.
9. **Safety Improvements Boise Ave/Amity Bridge**: Include for funding in FY 2009 or 2010.
10. **30th Street Extension**: Retain in 2009 placement.
11. **Cloverdale Road Improvements**: Continue as scheduled with continued cooperation with Boise City in regard to the City’s sewer projects along
Cloverdale Road.

1. Collector Project: Highland, Broadway/Park Center: Continue in FY 2006

As noted earlier in our letter, we also request that with the exception of the Ustick, Five Mile/Cole project, ACHD maintain the already approved projects in their current placement as the 2006-2010 FYWP project list is developed.

We appreciate the Commission’s consideration of the City of Boise’s transportation priority projects.

Sincerely,

David H. Biter
Mayor

cc: Don Costello
    Tricia Nilsson
Exhibit “B”

The City requests that the ACHD consider adopting the Intent Language stated below as a framework for evaluating and prioritizing any and all projects that impact the City.

The City of Boise recognizes that in order to meet current and future transportation needs within the City and region, an emphasis needs to be placed on designing and funding a balanced transportation system. A balanced system includes roadways and alternate modes. Alternative modes depend on an effective roadway system designed to fully integrate vehicle, transit, bicycle and pedestrian travel. Options for travel allow the public to make choices in regard to transportation mode, route and time of day. Creating a balanced system also requires the close inter-working of transportation and land use planning and implementation. Creating a balanced transportation system will require new approaches, shifting perceptions as to options, and careful attention to the language with which the options are discussed. Modifying funding priorities is not easily achieved but is recommended by the City of Boise as an imperative in solving the local and regional transportation challenges.

The purpose of transportation is to bring people and goods to places where they are needed, and to concentrate the greatest variety of goods and people within a limited area, in order to widen the possibility of choice without making it necessary to travel.

Lewis Mumford, 1958
The Boise City Council has adopted the following Transportation Policies in reference to the annual update of the Ada County Highway District (ACHD) Five Year Work Program (FYWP). The City requests the ACHD to consider these policy recommendations and directions as the Commission develops the 2006-2010 FYWP.

1. **Transit Capital Funds:** That the ACHD consider supporting recommendations proposed by the Legislative Interim Committee on Transportation and Air Quality, which might positively affect a reduction of the number of vehicles miles traveled on Ada County roads.

2. **Percentage of Surface Transportation Project-Urban Funds for Transit/Alternative Transportation:** That the ACHD and COMPASS support discussion at the COMPASS Board in regard to designating a specific percentage of Surface Transportation–Urban (STP-U) funds toward transit development and operations and other alternative modes.

3. **Ridge-to-Rivers/ Bicycle Connectivity and Bicycle/Pedestrian Increased Funding:** That the City requests COMPASS in regard to the “Communities in Motions” plan to dedicate increased attention and funding for the Ridge-to- Rivers system. The City requests that the ACHD in the 2006-2010 Five Year Work Program allocate additional funds to an interconnected bicycle system and toward improving and completing the sidewalk system. The City requests that this allocation be beyond the standard allocation and in accord with the recommendations of the Highway District’s Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Data Collection Project. The percentage of increase should be considered in a Boise City/ACHD joint meeting.

4. **State Street Transit Scenario:** That the ACHD incorporate within the 2006-2010 Five Year Work Program, funding for Intelligent Transportation Systems and other near terms projects as recommended in the Transit Scenario of the State Street Corridor Study (Study) adopted in 2004 by the Boise City Council and the ACHD. The City requests that ACHD continue to proceed with the next stages toward implementation of the State Street Study upon completion of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the ACHD and all affected jurisdictions.

5. **ValleyRide, Additional Funding:** That the COMPAS Board and the ACHD allocate significantly increased funding for expansion of ValleyRide service and routes as recommended with the final recommendations of the current ValleyRide Regional Operations and Capital Improvement Program and Infrastructure planning studies.

6. **Traffic Management Center:** That the City supports the ongoing work toward agency determination and definition of a concept for a regional Transportation Management Center.

7. **Roadways Improvement:** That as roadways continue to be constructed and expanded to meet increasing transportation demands, which the City requests that the ACHD design roadway improvements in accord with the land use context they serve and take advantage of and support opportunities that adjacent land uses provide for trip capture and a more livable community.
Exhibit “D”

Boise City Council Priority Arterial and Collector Projects Recommended for Inclusion in the ACHD 2006-2010 Five Year Work Program (FYWP), with the recognition that Highland, Broadway/Park Center is a collector project, carried forward from the 2005-2009 5YWP

1. **Sidewalks with emphasis on Safe-Routes-to School:** To implement sidewalk priority projects in upcoming Five Year Work Plans with a first focus on improving the sidewalk/bicycle network to provide elementary and secondary students safe routes to schools based on the results of the ACHD Pedestrian/Bicycle Study and discussion between ACHD and the City of Boise as to which projects in the City should receive first funding.

2. **East Park Center Bridge:** Move project forward in the FYWP schedule if possible, in consultation with the City and other affected parties.

3. **Bicycle Boulevard, 3rd Street with improved bicycle and pedestrian access from 3rd Street to Julia Davis Park and to the Greenbelt.** Project includes traffic signals at 3rd/Myrtle and 5th/Front. Enhanced crosswalk features are recommended for the improved intersections, as appropriate on 3rd Street, and at other sites recommended by the Downtown Boise Mobility Study.

4. **State Street Corridor Study:** Implement the Intelligent Transportation System and other near-term recommendations from the State Street Corridor Study Transit Scenario.

5. **Traffic Signals, 3rd/Myrtle, 5th/Front:** Request funding in FY 2006 or 2007 work plan. Coordinate the ACHD portions of the signalization projects with the Idaho Transportation Department’s portion of each signal project.

6. **Maple Grove Extension:** continue project with construction in 2006.

7. **Warm Springs Roundabout:** Allocate additional funds to complete the entire project in 2007 in conjunction with the STP-Enhancement funds received.

8. **36th Street Extension/Intersection Hill/Catalpa/36th:** Retain in the work plan for construction in 2008.

9. **Safety Improvements Boise Ave/Amity Bridge:** Request inclusion in the 2009 or 2010 work plan.

10. **30th Street Extension:** Retain in FY 2009 for construction.

11. **Cloverdale Road Improvements:** Continue as scheduled. The City requests continued cooperation in regard to the City’s sewer projects along Cloverdale Road.

12. **Ustick, Five Mile/Cole Rd.:** Move back in the FYWP to FY 2008 or FY 2009 from FY 2007

**Collector Project**

1. Highland, Broadway/Park Center, 2006
Exhibit “E”

Boise City Council Letter to the COMPASS Board Recommending Policies and Projects for Consideration in the 2006-2010 TIP and the Communities in Motion Long Range Transportation Plan.

Ms. Patricia Nilsson  
Principal Planner  
Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho  
800 S. Industry Way, Meridian, ID  83642

Dear Ms. Nilsson,

The City of Boise pleased to submit the following Language of Intent, Policy, Planning and Roadway project requests to the COMPASS Board for consideration as COMPASS develops the 2006-2010 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Additionally, in accord with current COMPASS efforts in forming and writing the Communities in Motion Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), the Boise City Council requests your consideration of the City’s recommended polices and projects for that Plan, which are included in this transmittal.

In company with the newly recommended projects the City supports the continuation of transportation projects programmed in the current work program.

The Boise City Council recognizes that the request for consideration of the following Policies and Projects is a change in direction in how we have formerly forwarded the City’s transportation recommendations. We recognize that development of the TIP does not easily accommodate discussion of policy issues. Since there is no other forum to engage in this discussion we are including policy intent language, and ask your consideration of the issues involved and the discussions required to continue moving the region toward a fully integrated transportation system.

The City further requests that as COMPASS progresses with the development of the Communities in Motion Plan, the COMPASS Board consider adopting the attached Language of Intent as a framework for evaluating and prioritizing any and all projects that impact the City.

Sincerely,

David H. Bieter  
Mayor
Exhibit “F”

The City requests that the COMPASS Board consider adopting the Intent Language stated below as a framework for evaluating and prioritizing any and all projects in the Communities in Motion Plan that impact the City.

The City of Boise recognizes that in order to meet current and future transportation needs within the City and region, an emphasis needs to be placed on designing and funding a balanced transportation system. A balanced system includes roadways and alternate modes. Alternative modes depend on an effective roadway system designed to fully integrate vehicle, transit, bicycle and pedestrian travel. Options for travel allow the public to make choices in regard to transportation mode, route and time of day. Creating a balanced system also requires the close inter-working of transportation and land use planning and implementation. Creating a balanced transportation system will require new approaches, shifting perceptions as to options, and careful attention to the language with which the options are discussed. Modifying funding priorities is not easily achieved but is recommended by the City of Boise as an imperative in solving the local and regional transportation challenges.

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Lewis Mumford, 1958
Exhibit “G”

Boise City Council Policy Recommendations to the COMPASS Board with the Request for Consideration and Discussion, in Regard to the Communities in Motion Long Range Transportation Plan and the 2006-2010 TIP

• Transit Capital Funds

The City of Boise requests the COMPASS Board to support efforts of ValleyRide, other transit providers across the state, and the Interim Legislative Committee on Transportation and Air Quality, exploring local option tax authority for community support for transit development and operations. The City requests the COMPASS Board to support efforts at the national level seeking appropriation of additional funding for transit operations and capital.

• Development of Percentage of Surface Transportation Project-Urban Funds for Transit/Alternative Transportation

The City of Boise supports discussion at the COMPASS Board meetings in regard to designating a specific percentage of STU-U funds toward transit development and operations and other alternative modes, to assist COMPASS in achieving its alternative mode policy and in meeting the transportation model projections of trips per day/vehicle miles traveled, which includes the calculation for 25% trip capture by alternative modes.

• Ridge-to-Rivers

The City of Boise recommends increased attention and funding for The Ridge-to-Rivers system to assist in achieving an over-all balanced transportation system. The City supports increased funding for all aspects of a connected bicycle system. The City requests strengthened polices in support of an integrated bicycle system, within the Communities in Motion Plan.

• State Street Study

The City of Boise supports continued progress toward implementation of the Transit Scenario of the State Street Corridor Study adopted in 2004 by the City and ACHD. The City recommends funding from ACHD, ValleyRide and COMPASS to further the early implementation of the Transit Scenario.

• ValleyRide, Improved Service and Routing

The City of Boise recommends additional funding from COMPASS to significantly increase funding for expansion of ValleyRide service and routes as recommended in the current ValleyRide Regional Operations and Capital Improvement Program and Infrastructure Planning efforts.

• Roadways Improvements

The City of Boise requests that as roadways continue to be constructed and expanded to meet increasing transportation demands that COMPASS support design of roadway
improvements in accord with the land use context they serve and take advantage of and support opportunities the adjacent land uses provide for trip capture and a more livable community.
Exhibit “H”

The Boise City Council’s Project Recommendations to the COMPASS Board with a Request for Inclusion in the 2006-2010 TIP

• Rail Corridor Study, Advance

Advance the Phase II Feasibility Study of a railroad corridor between the cities of Nampa and Caldwell to 2006 from its designated year of 2008.

• Downtown Boise Circulator Study

Support this study and proceed if federal funds are received. Boise City would be the lead agency with involvement from ValleyRide, ACHD, CCDC, ITD, and other affected entities.
Exhibit “I”

Boise City Council Project Recommendations to the COMPASS Board with a request for inclusion in the Communities in Motion Long Range Transportation Plan

**South County Arterial Study, “Communities in Motion”**
Assure that the Study is included within the COMPASS “Communities in Motion” Plan, as a City supported project in accord with the Board adopted policy in the Destination 2025 Long Range Transportation Plan