

April 13, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. M-4378

A RESOLUTION relating to the light rail transit (LRT) component of the Interstate 5 Bridge Replacement (IBR) Program.

WHEREAS, the City of Vancouver (“the City”) remains a committed supporter of the IBR Program; and

WHEREAS, extensive analysis of high capacity transit modes and alignment has been conducted in collaboration with the IBR Program and partners; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the City and IBR Program partners approved a Modified Locally Preferred Alternative transit system that extended LRT from Oregon to a station at Evergreen Boulevard near Library Square; and

WHEREAS, the City of Vancouver has invested staff and consultant resources to develop concept plans for the area near the planned LRT station; and

WHEREAS, the City led, with WSDOT as a co-applicant, a successful application for \$30 Million in federal Reconnecting Communities grant funding to construct a lid over I-5 and connecting with the station at Evergreen Boulevard near Library Square; and

WHEREAS, the Evergreen Boulevard near Library Square station is a planned multimodal hub that connects LRT with C-TRAN’s local and Bus Rapid Transit system; and

WHEREAS, non-transit vehicular analysis conducted for IBR Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement accounts for dispersion of traffic to and from the station at

Evergreen Boulevard near Library Square in a manner that does not cause the City's Downtown local street system to fail; and

WHEREAS, recent IBR Program analysis proposes that LRT terminate at the Vancouver Waterfront station area rather than near the planned station at Evergreen Boulevard near Library Square; and

WHEREAS, the IBR Program's Modified Locally Preferred Alternative consists, in part, of new LRT service with an interim Minimum Operating Segment northern terminus immediately south of E. Evergreen Boulevard near Library Square in Vancouver, WA.

WHEREAS, the City is a willing and able partner in seeking additional funding to support a light rail alignment that includes a station at Evergreen Boulevard near Library Square;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

The Vancouver City Council strongly recommends that LRT extend beyond the planned Waterfront Station and connect with C-TRAN's existing and planned bus system at a multimodal hub by Evergreen Boulevard near Library Square to achieve the stated purpose and needs of the IBR Program.

ADOPTED at a Regular Meeting of the Vancouver City Council this 13th day of April, 2026.

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