1 2	RESOLUTION NO. 2022 - <u>07-14</u>		
3	A RESOLUTION relating to Clark County Council priorities for the I-5 Interstate		
4	Bridge Replacement (IBR) Program.		
5	WHEREAS, the I-5 Interstate Bridge Replacement (IBR) Program is a massive		
6	community project that is estimated to cost between \$3.2 to \$4.8 billion dollars; and		
7	WHEREAS, Washington residents' top priority for the new I-5 Interstate Bridge		
8	is a reduction in traffic congestion, resulting in time saving and more predictable trip		
9	durations for passenger vehicles, freight, and transit; and		
10	WHEREAS, population in Clark County and the entire Portland metropolitan area		
11	is expected to increase over the next forty (40) years, requiring additional transportation		
12	capacity across the Columbia River; and		
13	WHEREAS, additional third and fourth corridors between Clark County and		
14	Oregon will be necessary to accommodate future population growth in the region, and it		
15	is critical that planning for these corridors begin promptly; and		
16	WHEREAS, historically voters in Clark County have voted in opposition to the		
17	addition of light rail public transit across the I-5 Bridge; and		
18	WHEREAS, Interstate 5 is a corridor of national significance, linking national		
19	and international markets from Canada to Mexico and throughout the entire Pacific Rim,		
20	and yet the existing I-5 Interstate Bridge has significant problems for freight mobility that		
21	must be addressed; and		
22	WHEREAS, the IBR Program recently recommended a Modified Locally		
23	Preferred Alternative (LPA); and		
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24	WHEREAS, the LPA will be further evaluated through an environmental review		
25	process, through which the IBR Program is soliciting public comment that will help		
26	determine how to move forward; and		
27	WHEREAS, the Clark County Council provides public input through adoption of		
28	this Resolution.		
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30	NOW, THEREFORE,		
31	BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED BY THE CLARK COUNTY		
32	COUNCIL, STATE OF WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:		
33	Section 1. The Clark County Council supports replacement of the I-5		
34	Interstate Bridge in a manner that supports relief of traffic congestion and seismic safety		
35	Section 2. The County Council opposes every light rail project in Clark		
36	County unless it is first supported by a majority of the voters in a county-wide advisory		
37	vote of the people. The Council supports C-TRAN's bus rapid transit as the best current		
38	alternative for rapid transit on the I-5 bridge because if its cost effectiveness compared to		
39	the MAX light rail option, its effectiveness in serving riders throughout the area and its		
40	flexibility in responding to evolving transportation needs of the area.		
41	Section 3. The County Council additionally supports creation of a truck-only		
42	lane (TL) on the I-5 bridge replacement that will separate heavy freight-carrying trucks		
43	from passenger vehicles, reducing safety conflicts by eliminating mixed flow operation		
44	between the vehicle classes, and increasing freight mobility across the bridge.		

45	Section 4. The County Council	also calls for a fourth passenger venicle		
46	through-lane on the I-5 bridge replacement in an effort to reduce traffic congestion and			
47	all of the associated negative impacts of traffic congestion.			
48	Section 5. The County Council further urges community partners to begin			
49	work in support of a third bridge crossing the Columbia River between Clark County,			
50	Washington, and Oregon.			
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	ADOPTED on this 20 day of	of <u>July</u> , 2022.		
52 53 54 55 56	Attest:  Clerk to the Council	CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON  Karen Dill Bowerman, Chair		
57 58 59 60 61 62 63	Approved as to Form Only: ANTHONY GOLIK Prosecuting Attorney	Temple Lentz, Councilor		
64 65 66	By: Leslie Lopez, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney	Julie Olson, Councilor		
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