CITY OF SALEM

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Staff Report

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TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mayor Chuck Bennett

SUBJECT:

Creation of City Council Transit Committee

Ward(s): All Wards

Councilor(s): All Councilors

Neighborhood(s): All Neighborhoods

MOTION:

I move that council adopt resolution no. 2017-29 to create the City Council Transit Committee.

DISCUSSION:

There is a concern in the community that the public transportation system does not adequately serve our residents. Council has identified a vibrant and convenient public transportation system as a goal during our strategic planning process. The City can play an important role in furthering and supporting the public transportation system through the development and management of the street system, through zoning to facilitate access to transit, and review of development that impacts the public transit system.

It is important that not only the City and Transit, but employers and transit riders, coordinate and communicate effectively with each other in order improve the public transportation system.

Therefore, I believe the creation of a Transit Committee, comprised of members of council, riders, and the public, to investigate solutions, and advise the City on policies and actions that will improve the public transportation system is necessary.

Attachments:

1. Resolution No. 2017-29.