

CITY OF CONCORD

In the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT ANY PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE IMPLEMENTED IN NEW HAMPSHIRE AS A RESULT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE CAPITOL CORRIDOR RAIL AND TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS INCLUDE SERVICE TO CONCORD

The City of Concord resolves as follows:

WHEREAS, The City of Concord is a member of the New Hampshire Rail Transit Authority; and

WHEREAS, The New Hampshire Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the New Hampshire Rail Transit Authority, commissioned a New Hampshire Capitol Corridor Rail and Transit Alternatives Analysis (heretofore "Capitol Corridor Study"); and

WHEREAS, The "Capitol Corridor Study" presented a number of alternatives including the extension of passenger rail to Concord; and

WHEREAS, Passenger rail, if constructed in New Hampshire, can have a positive impact on economic development and quality of life for current and future New Hampshire residents and business owners; and

WHEREAS, The City recently participated in the drafting of a "Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy" with twenty other central NH municipalities that highlighted the scarcity of transit/transportation alternatives as a regional challenge to development; and

WHEREAS, The State of New Hampshire and the City of Concord already own land in the Stickney Avenue area identified by the Capitol Corridor Study as a potential location for a multi-modal station reducing the need for additional property acquisition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of City of Concord that:

1. It is the City's strong recommendation that any passenger rail service implemented in New Hampshire as a result of the New Hampshire Capitol Corridor Rail and Transit Alternatives Analysis include service to Concord.
2. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.