

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH GOTRIANGLE FOR THE DURHAM-ORANGE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT PROJECT (2018-12-05/R-14)**

WHEREAS, the Town Council has established goals to Facilitate Getting Around, Support Community Prosperity, and Create a Place for Everyone; and

WHEREAS, GoTriangle is seeking funding that would bring an estimated \$1.238 billion federal matching investment in transportation infrastructure to serve Chapel Hill and Durham; and

WHEREAS, construction of a major infrastructure facility such as the Durham-Orange light rail line necessitates cooperation between a number of partners in order to keep the project on schedule and under budget; and

WHEREAS, GoTriangle is proposing to undergo review and approval of an Engineering Construction Permit to minimize impacts on Chapel Hill, even though the planned improvements located in Chapel Hill are exempt from local regulation under state statutes; and

WHEREAS, an existing Reimbursement Agreement for the Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit Project was executed on June 29, 2018 to refund the Town for staff time spent reviewing the project plans; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration requires execution of this Agreement to demonstrate ongoing coordination between GoTriangle and the Town; and

WHEREAS, GoTriangle has agreed to meet applicable labor wage laws, such as the Davis-Bacon Act; and

WHEREAS, GoTriangle has agreed to continue to work with the Town to gather input from community stakeholders on the design of the stations; and

WHEREAS, GoTriangle and the Town have revised the agreement to include additional provisions to address topics such as stormwater management, parking lot landscaping, relocation of public utilities, environmental evaluations, opportunities for public input, noise impacts, and cost reimbursement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager to execute on behalf of the Town a Cooperative Agreement with GoTriangle for the Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit Project to sustain cooperation and coordination between the Parties.

This the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.