## RESOLUTION NO. \_\_727-14

## A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING STA MOVING FORWARD: A PLAN FOR MORE AND BETTER TRANSIT SERVICES

## SPOKANE TRANSIT AUTHORITY Spokane County, Washington

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SPOKANE TRANSIT AUTHORITY as follows:

WHEREAS, the Spokane Transit Authority (STA) is a municipal corporation operating and existing under and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Washington, including RCW Title 36, Chapter 57A, Public Transportation Benefit Area; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW Title 36, Chapter 57A, Section 060, the STA Board of Directors adopted Connect Spokane: A Comprehensive Plan for Public Transportation in 2010, which was most recently amended in 2014; and,

WHEREAS, the Spokane Regional Transportation Council (SRTC) Metropolitan Transportation Plan: Horizon 2040, referencing the Washington State Office of Financial Management population forecasts, anticipates that Spokane County will grow by nearly 165,000 persons and 68,000 additional jobs will be created by the year 2040; and,

WHEREAS, Horizon 2040 identifies transportation improvements, including transit improvements consistent with Connect Spokane, to be completed to meet the increased demand for transportation resulting from population growth; and,

WHEREAS, the STA Board of Directors and STA staff have engaged in planning an implementation strategy for Connect Spokane; and,

WHEREAS, the planning process included extensive deliberations among members of the STA Board of Directors, the STA Citizen Advisory Committee, Corridor Advisory Panels, local jurisdictions, STA employees, and interested stakeholder groups, as well as the general public, culminating in the draft plan titled "STA Moving Forward: A Plan for More and Better Transit Services;" and,

WHEREAS, *STA Moving Forward* sets forth a plan for maintaining and expanding the transit system, which includes fixed-route bus, paratransit and vanpool services; and,

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing on the Draft Plan was held on November 20, 2014; and,

WHEREAS, a Washington State Environment Policy Act (SEPA) Checklist was completed for the Plan and a determination of Non-Significance (DNS) was issued on November 25, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of STA as follows:

- Section 1. The STA Board of Directors hereby adopts STA Moving Forward: A Plan for More and Better Transit Services.
- Section 2. The STA Board of Directors directs the Chief Executive Officer to prepare for their approval, where needed, the necessary instruments to pursue the funding mechanisms.
- Section 3. This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon passage.

ADOPTED by STA at a regular meeting thereof held on the 18th day of December 2014.

ATTEST:

Jan Watson

Clerk of the Authority

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Chair of the Board

Approved as to form:

Laura McAloon

Legal Counsel for Spokane Transit Authority