MESILLA VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION NO. 15-05

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIR TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT GENERATING ECONOMIC RECOVERY (TIGER) GRANT APPPLICATION BY COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA FOR THE SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is responsible for the planning and financial reporting of all federally funded and regionally significant transportation-related projects within the MPO Area; and

WHEREAS, the MPO in its 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan encourages mobility options for all the citizens of the MPO Planning area to give greater access to employment centers, services and other necessary activity centers and create a more livable and sustainable environment; and

WHEREAS, the South Central Regional Transportation District (SCRTD) is starting service to unserved areas of the County; and

WHEREAS, Doña Ana County contains a significant amount of people at or below poverty level which have no vehicles in the SCRTD service area; and

WHEREAS, the provision of public transportation in unserved areas of Doña Ana County will give greater access to jobs and services (health, education, social services) and

WHEREAS, the provision of public transportation by SCRTD will encourage the use of public transportation for those with vehicles thus reducing vehicular air pollution and energy consumption; and

WHEREAS, the County of Doña Ana is applying for a TIGER grant for capital purchases to assist in the operation of SCRTD;

NOW, **THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Policy Committee of the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization:

THAT the Policy Committee Chairman is authorized to sign a letter of support to the Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation endorsing the County of Doña Ana's application of TIGER grant for capital projects for SCRTD

THAT staff is directed to take appropriate and legal actions to implement this Resolution.

DONE and **APPROVED** this <u>13th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2015.

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Motion By:	Commissioner Hancock
Second By:	Commissioner Garrett
VOTE:	
Chair Flores	Abs
Vice Chair Sorg	Yes
Councilor Pedroza	Yes
Councilor Small	Yes
Commissioner Garrett	Yes
Commissioner Hancock	Yes
Commissioner Duarte-Benavidez	Yes
Mayor Barraza	Yes
Trustee Bernal	Abs
Mr. Doolittle	Yes

ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Recording Secretary	City Attorney