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## CITY OF LAKE ELMO, MINNESOTA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-011**

## Support for funding for the I-94 Corridor Transportation Feasibility Analysis

**WHEREAS,** the Interstate 94 (I-94) Corridor is the principal east/west route for traffic thru Ramsey Washington, and St. Croix Counties connecting St. Paul to the eastern metropolitan area, and;

WHEREAS, the I-94 Corridor is experiencing robust employment and population growth, and;

WHEREAS, the I-94 Corridor is experiencing increasing levels of congestion, reducing mobility in the corridor, and;

WHEREAS, there are no planned highway improvements to the I-94 Corridor in the Metropolitan Council's 2030 Transportation Policy Plan, and;

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation has identified I-94 as a high priority Interregional Corridor and is supportive of planning for mobility improvements in the Corridor, and;

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Elmo recognizes the need to plan for mobility improvements in the I-94 Corridor, and;

WHEREAS, this planning should take a multi-modal, highways and transit, approach to maintaining Corridor mobility, and;

WHEREAS, maintaining mobility is necessary for the continued prosperity and economic vitality of residents, businesses, and commuters throughout the Eastern Metropolitan area, and:

**WHEREAS**, the first step in planning for a multi-modal I-94 Corridor is to complete a Transportation Feasibility Analysis which includes analyzing highway and transit improvements.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Lake Elmo supports the multi-modal evaluation of the I-94 Corridor and a request of \$1 million in State funds for the completion of the I-94 Transportation Feasibility Analysis.

ADOPTED BY the Lake Elmo City Council on February 6, 2007.

Dean A. Johnston, Mayor

ATTEST:

Thomas Bouthilet, Interim City Administrator