DESIGNATING THE NORTH CORRIDOR AS THE AUTHORITY'S HIGHEST PRIORITY TRANSIT CORRIDOR PURSUANT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S PLANNING GUIDELINES AND AUTHORIZING THE INITIATION OF PHASE II ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS IN THIS CORRIDOR.

WHEREAS, the METRO Regional Transit Plan was approved by area voters in August of 1978; and

WHEREAS, the METRO Regional Transit Plan called for a Transitway Development Program; and

WHEREAS, in August of 1979 the METRO Board of Directors approved contracts for professional services related to the definition of the Transitway Development Program under Phase I Transitway Alternatives Analysis; and

WHEREAS, this Phase I analysis has evaluated the area travel corridors based on local as well as national criteria such as potential transit ridership, capital and operating cost efficiencies, and social, economic and natural environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, based on these criteria, the Southwest/Westpark Corridor was designated as the Authority's initial priority corridor; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Boards designation and concurrence by UMTA, Alternatives Analysis Phase II was initiated in the corridor; and

WHEREAS, Phase II Alternatives Analysis was completed on the Southwest/ Westpark Corridor pursuant to MTA Board directives and in accordance with UMTA planning guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the completion of the Phase II Alternatives Analysis in the Southwest/Westpark Corridor will permit the designation of a second priority corridor pursuant to UMTA guidelines; and

WHEREAS, based on the findings of Phase I Alternatives Analysis and based on local as well as national criteria, the North Corridor has consistently ranked highest among remaining area corridors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: Since the Alternatives Analysis Studies are complete on the Southwest/Westpark Corridor, the North Corridor now be designated as the Authority's highest priority transit corridor pursuant to UMTA quidelines.

Section 2: Contingent upon the Urban Mass Transportation Administration commitment of planning funds, Phase II Alternatives Analysis be initiated in this corridor.

Section 3: The Planning and Programming staff are directed to complete the necessary documentation of methodologies and procedures, description of alternatives and secure UMTA approval of such.

Section 4: The Executive Director be authorized to negotiate and execute, and Board Secretary or Assistant Secretary to attest to necessary intergovernmental agreements as required inorder to conduct and/or coordinate the planning activities in the North Corridor.

Section 5: The Executive Director be authorized to negotiate and execute, and the Board Secretary or Assistant Secretary to attest to agreements for services secured consistant with MTA procurement procedures.

Section 6: Compensation to be paid for services to be performed under such an agreement or agreements shall not exceed \$750,000.

PASSED this 17th day of December, 1980.

APPROVED this 17th day of December, 1980.

ATTEST:

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

Minfa Laufenzo, Secretary ASSISTANT SECRETARY APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Walter J. Addison, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Legal Counsel

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ALLOCATE \$530,000 FROM BUDGETED FUNDS AND TO EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENTS WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AS ARE NECESSARY TO INCORPORATE REQUESTED ADDITIONAL WORK IN THEIR PROPOSED NORTH FREEWAY REHABILITATION STUDY TO ACCOMMODATE METRO BUSWAY GOALS IN THIS CORRIDOR.

WHEREAS, the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation is negotiating a contract for the study of the North Freeway (IH-45) Rehabilitation from the North Belt to the Katy Freeway (IH-10) interchange; and

WHEREAS, METRO desires to expedite the replacement of Contraflow on the North Freeway with an exclusive busway due to Contraflow's operational cost and the impact on non-peak traffic; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation is willing to provide within the scope of their Rehabilitation Study the following provisions:

- A feasibility study of the construction of a locally funded temporary busway or HOV facility which would provide service prior to the anticipated freeway reconstruction.
- Provisions for the inclusion of a busway or HOV facility to operate during the freeway's reconstruction. This involves a complex traffic control plan which will reroute all traffic around construction over a period of several years.
- Provision for the inclusion of a busway or HOV facility in the completed reconstruction of the freeway.

WHEREAS, this effort will be performed at a cost of \$530,000 and is scheduled to be completed by March 1982.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Board authorize the Executive Director to allocate \$530,000 from budgeted funds for the above described purpose and to execute such agreements

with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation as are necessary to incorporate the additional work in their proposed study contract.

Section 2: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 17th day of December, 1980.

APPROVED this 17th day of December, 1980.

Llury C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Assistant Secretary APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Walter J. Addison, Executive

Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR STATE FUNDING ASSISTANCE FOR THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY'S FY 81 BUS REHABILITATION PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 80-153, passed November 26, 1980, the Board approved an intensive rehabilitation program for the Metropolitan Transit Authority; and

WHEREAS, this bus rehabilitation program is vitally important to transit in Houston; and

WHEREAS, Section 4(c) of Article 6663c Vernon's Civil Statutes authorizes the State Highway and Public Transportation Commission to provide 50% of the total cost of a public transportation capital improvement project if federal funds are unavailable to assist the project and if the Commission determines that the project is vitally important to the development of public transportation in the State; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway and Public Transportation Commission has determined the importance of bus rehabilitation to the development of public transportation in the State by awarding on July 21, 1980 to the Metropolitan Transit Authority a 50% grant in the amount of \$3,132,000 for rehabilitation of up to 87 buses (Project DHT-50-0003).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Executive Director is hereby authorized to file an application with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, requesting state funding assistance for the Metropolitan Transit Authority's Bus Rehabilitation Program.

Section 2: The Executive Director is hereby authorized to furnish such

additional information as the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation may require in connection with the application or the project.

Section 3: The Manager of Planning and Programming is hereby authorized to conduct a Public Hearing in connection with the project, if a hearing should be required by the State.

Section 4: Funds to meet the Metropolitan Transit Authority's local share requirement have been set aside in the Metropolitan Transit Authority's 1981 Budget.

Section 5: The Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute and the Assistant Secretary to attest to any contracts for financial assistance which result from approval of this application.

Section 6: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 17th day of December, 1980. APPROVED this 17th day of December, 1980.

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Hinta Lagrenzo, Secretary
Assistant Secretary
Approved AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Walter J. Addison, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

#### A Resolution

CONCURRING IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY OF HOUSTON TO ENTER INTO THE DESIGN PHASE OF THE JOINT CITY/METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY WEST-PARK STREET PROJECT.

WHEREAS, on December 26, 1979, the City of Houston and the Metropolitan Transit Authority entered into a "Mass Transportation Improvement Projects Agreement" which provides a mechanism for joint investment in capital improvement project of mutual benefit to both governmental units; and

WHEREAS, Westpark Street was formally designated as the first joint City/Metropolitan Transit Authority project; and

WHEREAS, the agreement assigns responsibility for engineering and design to the City of Houston' Director of Public Works who is required to present a Preliminary Engineering Report on the designated project at the conclusion of the first phase of the study for concurrence by the City Council and the Metropolitan Transit Authority Board of Directors prior to the City's initiating final design and engineering; and

WHEREAS, the Preliminary Engineering Report for the Westpark Street project was published by the City's consulting engineers in September 1980 and was provided to Metropolitan Transit Authority staff for review and comment in October; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 1980 the Metropolitan Transit Authority Executive Director provided staff comments to the City's Director of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the Preliminary Engineering Report for the Westpark Street project was concurred in by City Council on December 4, 1980.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: Concurrence is hereby given in the City of Houston's recommendation to enter into the design phase of the joint City/Metropolitan Transit Authority Westpark Street project, subject to the following conditions:

- a. The City design engineers coordinate closely with MTA Southwest/Westpark rail rapid transit preliminary engineering team during the next critical phase.
- b. The scope of the City's design phase include as a specific work element the development of a transit operating scheme with the assistance of the MTA staff.
- c. Emphasis be placed on the Hillcroft to Newcastle phase as the first priority, followed by the Newcastle to Edloe section.
- d. The City notes that MTA has no current plan to operate an exclusive transit service on a facility between Edloe and Shepherd and that the City should proceed with design on that segment only at their own initiative.
- e. The City be advised that MTA does not consider exclusive transit lanes west of Hillcroft as an immediate priority, but that MTA does recommend construction of median auto lanes in this section in order to facilitate conversion of the southern most lanes to transit access for the Southwest/Westpark rail line in the future.

Section 2: Pursuant to the City/MTA agreement, all engineering costs are to be absorbed by the City of Houston with the MTA's financial obligation being incurred after approval of final design and acceptance of construction bids by the Board.

Section 3: This Resolution be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 17th day of December, 1980. APPROVED this 17th day of December, 1980.

ATTEST:

Dan Arnold, Chairman of the Board

Ninfa Lawrenzo Secretary KSISTANT Secretary APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Walter J. Addison, Executive Director

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Legal Counsel

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MANHATTAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR POLK STREET MAINTENANCE FACILITY.

WHEREAS, Invitations to Bid for remodeling of existing Administration
Building; dismantling existing Maintenance Building and Erecting New Maintenance Building; Erecting new Vault Pull Building; Install Underground Fuel
Storage; and Complete Site Work for the Polk Street Maintenance Facility were
advertised and issued in accordance with Board approved bidding and construction
procedures; and

WHEREAS, four (4) bids were received on November 20, 1980 at 2:00 p.m.; and WHEREAS, the apparent low bid was rejected at the request of the bidder because of an error in calculation; and

WHEREAS, Manhattan Construction Company submitted the lowest remaining responsive and responsible bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Executive Director be authorized to negotiate and execute and the Assistant Secretary to attest to an agreement with Manhattan Construction Company for construction work for the Polk Street Maintenance Facility.

Section 2: The total bid amount for the package is \$9,309,000.00.

Section 3: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 17th day of December, 1980.

APPROVED this 17th day of December, 1980.

ATTEST:

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

Ninfa Laurenzo, Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 80- 166(Page 2)

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Warter J. Addison, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER NUMBER TWO (2) TO THE AGREEMENT WITH BE. BELL BUILDERS FOR POLK STREET SWITCHGEAR AND MOTOR CONTROL CENTERS.

WHEREAS, the MTA entered an agreement with B. Bell Builders for "Design, Supply and Delivery only of Electrical Switchgear and Motor Control Centers" for the Polk Street Maintenance Facility on June 11, 1980; and

WHEREAS, revisions in the main and feeder breakers in the power distribution system are now required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Executive Director be authorized to execute Change Order No. 2 to the agreement with B. Bell Builders for electrical switchgear and motor control centers.

Section 2: Amount of this change order is \$6,464.71 increasing the total amount of the original package to \$101,167.71.

Section 3: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 17th day of December, 1980.

APPROVED this 17th day of December, 1980.

ATTEST:

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

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APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Walter J. Addison, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF A NEW CONTRIBUTORY NON-UNION PENSION PLAN AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transit Authority wishes to provide an improved pension plan for the Metropolitan Transit Authority's Non-Union employees; and

WHEREAS, a new proposed Contributory Non-Union Pension Plan has been developed by the staff and reviewed by the Internal Operations subcommittee and other members of the MTA Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transit Authority would like for the new Contributory Non-Union Pension Plan to go into effect on January 1, 1981.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Contributory Non-Union Pension Plan as proposed be formally adopted on behalf of the Metropolitan Transit Authority.

Section 2: The Board of Trustees of the Non-Union Pension Plan be instructed to take any and all action necessary for the implementation of the Plan.

Section 3: The Executive Director be authorized to execute any and all documents necessary for the implementation of the Non-Union Pension Plan.

Section 4: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 17th day of December, 1980.

APPROVED this 17th day of December, 1980.

ATTEST:

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

RESOLUTION NO. 80- 168 (Page 2)

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Walter J. Addison, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM: