

**WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A JOINT APPLICATION TO THE TRANSPORTATION  
INVESTMENTS GENERATING ECONOMIC RECOVERY DISCRETIONARY GRANT  
PROGRAM FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE CROSS-CITY TRAIL AND  
IMPROVEMENTS TO THE RIVER TO THE SEA BIKEWAY**

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization provides transportation planning services for the City of Wilmington, Town of Carolina Beach, Town of Kure Beach, Town of Wrightsville Beach, Town of Belville, Town of Leland, Town of Navassa, New Hanover County, Brunswick County, Pender County, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority and the North Carolina Board of Transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 17, 2009, the President signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which includes a new Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) discretionary grant program, with \$1.5 billion to be awarded by the U. S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) for capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure with national or regional significance for a variety of multimodal transportation uses; and

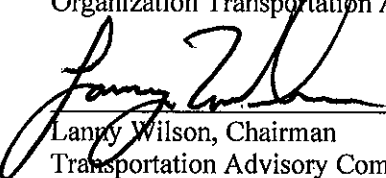
**WHEREAS**, TIGER grant projects should be completed by February 17, 2012, have an overall financing package with federal funds not to exceed \$300 million, and maximize job creation and economic benefit; and

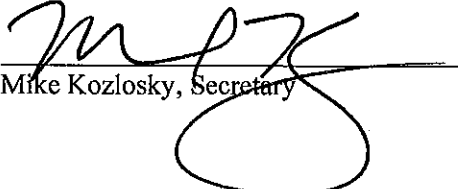
**WHEREAS**, on June 17, 2009, the USDOT issued a final notice of funding availability, project selection criteria, and application requirements for submitting TIGER grant applications, which are due September 15, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, the primary TIGER grant selection criteria are (a) Long-term Outcomes (State of Good Repair, Economic Competitiveness, Livability, Sustainability, and Safety) and (b) Job Creation and Stimulus; and the secondary grant selection criteria are (a) Innovation and (b) Partnership.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Advisory Committee approves the submission of a joint application by the City of Wilmington, University of North Carolina – Wilmington, New Hanover County and Town of Wrightsville Beach to the federal TIGER discretionary grant program by the due date of September 15, 2009.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Advisory Committee on September 9, 2009.

  
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Lanny Wilson, Chairman  
Transportation Advisory Committee

  
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Mike Kozlosky, Secretary