

RESOLUTION 2259-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE PLACEMENT OF A ONE PERCENT (1%) TRANSPORTATION SURTAX REFERENDUM ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 COUNTYWIDE BALLOT FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE VOTERS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, traffic congestion, public transportation and safety are pressing concerns of great public importance in the City of Winter Park and throughout Central Florida; and

WHEREAS, Orange County Mayor Demings has engaged in a transportation initiative to study the transportation priorities of the residents of Orange County and address the transportation needs throughout Orange County; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Demings and Orange County staff have held and participated in town hall and community meetings, stakeholder discussions, speaking engagements, and community events throughout the County to solicit public input and hear the transportation concerns, challenges, and priorities of County residents; and

WHEREAS, Orange County has conducted assessments of transportation deficiencies and related funding needs in the community and found that such deficiencies and funding needs in the community cannot be met through currently existing funding sources; and

WHEREAS, in order to address funding deficiencies for transportation needs including roadways, transit, safety, and operations and maintenance, Mayor Demings has proposed the levy of a one-cent Charter County and Regional Transportation System Sales Surtax ("Transportation Surtax") by the County, subject to approval by a majority of the countywide electors voting in a referendum; and

WHEREAS, the County is considering placing the question of the Transportation Surtax before the countywide electors on the November 8, 2022 general election ballot; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission also finds that current transportation deficiencies within the City and across Orange County cannot be met through current funding sources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The City Commission of the City of Winter Park hereby supports the placement of a one percent (1%) Transportation Surtax referendum on the November 8, 2022 countywide ballot for consideration by the voters of Orange County, Florida.

ADOPTED THIS 9th DAY OF March, 2022.

Phillip M. Anderson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rene Cranis, City Clerk