



## RESOLUTION

### REGARDING WRITING TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE SENATE URGING RESTORATION OF CAPITAL FUNDS FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE CAPITAL CORRIDOR RAIL PROJECT

### *CITY OF NASHUA*

*In the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen*

**WHEREAS**, after thorough study the New Hampshire Rail Transit Authority and the New Hampshire Department of Transportation issued the Capital Corridor Rail & Transit Alternatives Analysis this past January and recommended that rail service be extended to Nashua, Manchester and the Manchester airport from Boston;

**WHEREAS**, rail service will bring substantial economic benefits to Nashua – according to the Rail Transit Authority, rail service would add 2,900 private sector jobs to Nashua and would bring substantial new property tax revenue through new development and construction near the rail stations;

**WHEREAS**, rail service will help Nashua to retain and attract the young families and young people that our community needs for future prosperity;

**WHEREAS**, the addition of rail service as recommended by the Rail Transit Authority will also bring substantial benefits to the State of New Hampshire – according to the Rail Transit Authority those benefits including the addition of nearly 7,000 private sector jobs and additional tax revenue;

**WHEREAS**, Governor Hassan included \$4 million in her capital budget to take the next steps with respect to rail service, namely, to do more detailed engineering and to prepare an environmental impact statement – both necessary to qualify the extension for federal subsidy;

**WHEREAS**, the New Hampshire House of Representatives cut the \$4 million in rail funds before sending the capital budget over to the New Hampshire State Senate; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Senate is now considering the capital budget and could restore the rail funds.

**RESOLUTION**

**R-15-135**

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua to write a letter to the New Hampshire State Senate requesting that the \$4 million in rail funds be restored to the capital budget and stating the benefits that would accrue to our community and to the State of New Hampshire by the extension of rail service to New Hampshire as recommended by the New Hampshire Rail Transit Authority.

**LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2015**

**RESOLUTION:** R-15-135

**PURPOSE:** Regarding writing to the New Hampshire State Senate urging restoration of capital funds for the continuation of the Capitol Corridor Rail Project

**ENDORSERS:** Alderman-at-Large Jim Donchess

**COMMITTEE  
ASSIGNMENT:**

**FISCAL NOTE:** None.

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**ANALYSIS**

This resolution provides for the Board of Aldermen to send a letter to the New Hampshire State Senate urging the Senate to restore the \$4,000,000 in capital budget rail funds related to the continuation of the capital corridor rail project.

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**Approved as to form:** Office of Corporation Counsel

By: 

Date: April 22, 2015



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