

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-102

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING 2024 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR THE CITY OF WALLA WALLA

WHEREAS, the City of Walla Walla passed Municipal Ordinance A-2405 on May 13, 1970 which classified the City of Walla Walla as a nonchartered code city under Title 35A of the Revised Code Washington (RCW); and

WHEREAS, section 35A.11.020 of the Revised Code of Washington provides in pertinent part that “[t]he legislative body of each code city shall have all powers possible for a city or town to have under the Constitution of this state, and not specifically denied to code cities by law;” and

WHEREAS, it is part of the normal and regular conduct of the City of Walla Walla to identify its legislative priorities to provide input to its congressional representatives; and

WHEREAS, the Walla Walla City Council has considered this matter during a regularly and duly called public meeting of said Council, has given this matter careful review and consideration, finds that good government and the best interests of the City of Walla Walla will be served by identifying its legislative priorities, and members of the legislative body and members of the public have been afforded an approximately equal opportunity for the expression of an opposing views.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Walla Walla resolves as follows:

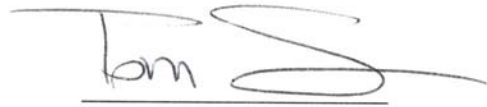
Section 1: The City of Walla Walla hereby adopts the following federal legislative priorities for 2024:

- Support fully funding US Highway 12 Phase 8 and the US Highway 12/Clinton Street intersection, which completes the US 12 Highway corridor, improves safety, emergency response times, and efficiency on this critical travel corridor.
- Support transportation funding to install a roundabout at the intersection on SR 125 and Myra Road and extend Myra Road south to Taumarson Road.
- Support pursuing additional resources and policies to increase affordable housing and reduce homelessness at the state, county, and municipal level.
- Support funding broadband infrastructure and providing incentives in rural cities/towns of all sizes to foster economic development and provide greater technological equity with the urban centers.
- Support funding for the US Forest Service to improve wildland fire fighting capacity and fire prevention through fuel reduction in the Walla Walla watershed. Further, the City

supports including wildland fires as a natural disaster in order to qualify affected communities for Federal and State disaster relief assistance.

- Support legislation which assists communities in combatting the devastating effect of fentanyl on its residents.
- Support the Association of Washington Cities 2024 Federal Legislative Priorities.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Walla Walla, Washington, this 25th day of October, 2023.



Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk

Approved as to form:



City Attorney