METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 North Capitol Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20002

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE LAW FIRM OF GREEHAN, TAVES, PANDAK & STONER PLLC

WHEREAS, since July 1, 2010, the law firm Greehan, Taves, Pandak & Stoner PLLC has provided legal services and Sharon E. Pandak, Partner in the firm has served with distinction as the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' General Counsel throughout this period; and

WHEREAS, COG and Greehan, Taves, Pandak & Stoner mutually desire to continue this relationship for an additional two fiscal years from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the new contract provides for continuity of legal services across a range of projects and programs critical to COG and the region and also includes, contingency succession planning provisions to insure a smooth transition if required; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director, Deputy Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer have assessed COG's ongoing and potential legal service requirements and recommend that the new contract include retainer provisions for \$17,000 per month in FY 2017 and \$18,000 per month in FY 2018, as well as continued inclusion of time and material provisions for litigation and administrative proceedings and other highly specialized projects requiring significant additional effort beyond the retainer; and

WHEREAS, funding to support legal expenses is included in COG's FY 2017 indirect cost allocation plan and applicable project budgets, and will be similarly included in COG's FY 2018 indirect cost allocation plan and applicable project budgets;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to enter into a contract for legal support with Greehan, Taves, Pandak & Stoner, PLLC, with a monthly retainer fee of \$17,000 in FY 2017 and \$18,000 in FY 2018 and continued inclusion of time and material provisions for specialized projects.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on June 8, 2016.

Laura Ambrosio
COG Communications Specialist