RESOLUTION NO. 2004-201

RESOLUTION BY THE PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE ENDORSING A PARTNERSHIP RELATED TO THE PROPOSED METRA COMMUTER RAIL PUBLIC TRANSIT SERVICE PROJECT IN THE KENOSHA/RACINE/MILWAUKEE CORRIDOR

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that Racine County endorses a partnership with the Counties and Cities of Kenosha, Milwaukee and Racine, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, which will undertake those activities found to be necessary to position the proposed Metra Commuter Rail Public Transit Service project in the Kenosha/Racine/Milwaukee corridor such that the proposed project will be able to be approved by the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, for entry into the preliminary engineering stage of the project development process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that no expenditure of Racine County funds on these activities other than in-kind staff assistance and administrative support approved by the County Executive be made unless authorized by budget or subsequent resolution of the Racine County Board of Supervisors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that SEWRPC is authorized to act as fiscal agent for the partnership and for Racine County in regard to securing available Federal and State funds to support the activities of the partnership.

Respectfully submitted, 1st Reading **PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND FACILITIES** COMMITTEE 2nd Reading Gilbert Bakke, Chairman **BOARD ACTION** Adopted For Hubert H. Braun, Vice-Chairman Against Absent Daniel F. Sharkozy, Secretary VOTE REQUIRED: Majority Prepared by: Corporation Counsel Karen A. Nelson Robert Grove

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WHEREAS, the Cities and Counties of Kenosha, Milwaukee and Racine, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission are attempting to establish a partnership which will undertake those activities found necessary to position the proposed Metra Commuter Rail Public Transit Service project in the Kenosha/Racine/Milwaukee corridor such that the proposed project will be able to be approved by the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, for entry into the preliminary engineering stage of the project development process; and

WHEREAS, certain Federal and State funds have been made available for advanced planning including the preparation of a draft environmental impact statement and preparation of Federal Transit Administration specified reports and supporting information.