

STATE OF TEXAS            ,

COUNTY OF COLLIN        ,

**AN ORDER OF THE COLLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PROVIDING FOR DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO DIRECTOR OF HOMELAND  
SECURITY TO EXECUTE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS, MEMORANDUMS OF  
UNDERSTANDINGS AND SIMILAR INSTRUMENTS FOR SHARING OF DATA  
WITH OTHER LOCAL JURISDICTIONS; IMPOSING CONDITIONS TO SUCH  
DELEGATION OF SIGNATURE AUTHORITY**

**WHEREAS**, the Collin County Commissioners Court has created the North Central Texas Fusion Center so as to aid law enforcement in its efforts detect and prosecute crime and to mitigate threats and hazards in the North Central Texas Region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Collin County Director of Homeland Security has negotiated interlocal agreements, memorandums of understanding and other similar agreements with other local jurisdictions to share certain data between the North Central Texas Fusion Center and other similar agencies so as to enhance the intelligence capabilities of the parties' respective operations in furtherance of their respective missions; and

**WHEREAS**, historically the Collin County Director of Homeland Security has requested that the Commissioners Court approve said agreements with other local jurisdictions, although such agreements to not involve an additional expenditure of County tax dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the Commissioners Court to delegate its authority to approve and execute such agreements with other local jurisdictions for data sharing with respect to the activities of the North Central Texas Fusion Center to the Collin County Director of Homeland Security; on the condition that no such agreements shall require Collin County to make additional expenditures of County funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Collin County Director of Homeland Security will notify the County Commissioners of such interlocal agreements, memorandums of understanding and other similar agreements with other local jurisdictions when such become effective.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COLLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:**

1.     **Approval and Incorporation of Recitals.** The foregoing recitals , including the terms and conditions set forth therein are hereby incorporated into this Order as findings of fact and conditions of authority.

2. **Delegation of Approval Authority.** The Collin County Director of Homeland Security is hereby delegated the full power and authority to execute interlocal agreements, memorandums of understanding and similar instruments with other jurisdictions for sharing of data in connection with the North Central Texas Fusion Center, save and except such authority is limited to only those agreements and instruments that do not require an additional expenditure of County funds. Such agreements and instruments, once executed by the Collin County Director of Homeland Security shall be fully binding on Collin County as if said approval thereto was granted by the Commissioners Court.
  
3. **Notification to Commissioners Court.** The Collin County Director of Homeland Security will notify the County Commissioners of such interlocal agreements, memorandums of understanding and other similar agreements with other local jurisdictions when such become effective.
  
4. **Retained Authority of Commissioners Court.** The Commissioners Court retains the authority to approve any agreements or instruments which do not meet the guidelines set forth in this Order, it being intended that the delegation of authority to the Collin County Director of Homeland Security as memorialized in this Order is of a limited nature and subject to the further control of the Commissioners Court, as it may find necessary. This Order may be rescinded at any time by a majority vote of the Commissioners Court.
  
5. **Compliance with Texas Open Meetings Act.** The meeting at which this Order was considered and passed was duly noticed and held in strict compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, ch. 551 Tex. Gov't. Code.

**BE IT SO ORDERED.**

Passed and Approved this 6th day of April, 2015, by a vote of 4 in favor and 0 against, 0 abstaining.



*Keith Self*

Keith Self, County Judge

*Susan Fletcher*

Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct. 1

Not Present

Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct. 2

*Chris Hill*

Chris Hill, Commissioner, Pct. 3

*Duncan Webb*

Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct. 4

**ATTEST:**

*Stacey Kemp*

Stacey Kemp, Ex-Officio Clerk  
Commissioners Court  
Collin County, TEXAS