

## Jeff Flanigan, City Administrator

August 2, 2016

Honorable Judge Keith Self and members of the County Commissioners Court Collin County Administration Building 2300 Bloomdale Rd., Suite 4192 McKinney, TX 75071

Re: Interlocal Agreement between Collin County and the City of Parker for the funding of the relocation of water utilities along FM2514

(Parker Road)

Dear Judge Self and Commissioners of the Court:

The TxDot project to widen FM2551 between FM1378 and FM2551 is a needed transportation improvement in the Parker, Lucas, Murphy and Wylie area of Collin County. The

Widening of the road also puts it in conflict with the City of Parker water lines to Parkers sole connection to the North Texas Municipal Water District . These water lines represent the City of Parker's sole source of water, and therefore a critical utility for the City. TxDot has recognized that the widening project of Parker Road will cause the construction to encroach upon what currently is an exclusive Parker waterline easement.

The early estimate for the relocation of the lines is \$1.7 million. TxDot represents that it will reimburse the City of Parker for the entire expense. However, as a reimbursement, the City of Parker would first be required to expend the \$1.7 million, which is fiscally difficult, and expensive.

The Interlocal Agreement attached with this letter provides the County would provide interim funding for the relocation project through a combination of Collin County discretionary funds, and remaining bond funds from a 2007 bond project for McCreary Road within Parker. The County would be promptly reimbursed by the City from the TxDot funds upon their receipt, all in accordance with the Interlocal Agreement attached.

This process benefits the County in allowing this road widening project to proceed promptly. It also benefits the City of Parker, allowing the City to avoid the expenses of a sale of a Certificate of Obligation or other short term financing, therefore making the financing of the project feasible, less expensive and more efficient.

On behalf of the City of Parker, Mayor Marshall and the members of the City Council, we respectfully request your favorable approval of this Interlocal Agreement. We believe it is a win win situation for Collin County, the City of Parker, and TxDot.

Sincerely yours,

Jeff Flanigan, City Administrator

Cc: Z Marshall, Mayor James E. Shepherd, City Attorney