

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF COLLIN

**Subject: Resolution, Supporting the Evaluation of Freeway Corridors in the Southeast Part of Collin County – Engineering**

On **October 23, 2017**, the Commissioners Court of Collin County, Texas, met in **regular session** with the following members present and participating, to wit:

<b>Keith Self</b>		<b>County Judge, Presiding</b>
<b>Susan Fletcher</b>	<b>Not Present</b>	<b>Commissioner, Precinct 1</b>
<b>Cheryl Williams</b>		<b>Commissioner, Precinct 2</b>
<b>Chris Hill</b>		<b>Commissioner, Precinct 3</b>
<b>Duncan Webb</b>	<b>Not Present</b>	<b>Commissioner, Precinct 4</b>

During such session the court considered adoption of the following resolution supporting the evaluation of freeway corridors in the southeast part of Collin County.

**WHEREAS**, various population projections indicated that Collin County will grow to a population in the range of 1,500,000-2,500,000 by 2040; and

**WHEREAS**, the traffic volumes resulting from this population growth has been projected to result in gridlock conditions in the southeast part of Collin County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners Court of Collin County passed a Court Order on February 1, 2016, that identified the need for additional freeways in Collin County and subsequently requested that the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) study the feasibility of such freeways; and

**WHEREAS**, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) is the policy body, and the NCTCOG through its Transportation Department is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) that conducts regional transportation planning in North Texas, and is responsible for developing multimodal transportation plans and programs in support of coordinated regional mobility in North Central Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas outlines mobility, quality of life, system sustainability, and implementation as the transportation goals of the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTC is in the process of developing the next update to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, Mobility 2045; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTC, the TxDOT, and Collin County are committed to developing solutions that assure adequate future mobility and, as such, have placed special emphasis

on identifying priority projects in Collin County to be included in the Mobility 2045 Plan; and

**WHEREAS,** NCTCOG has presented a Collin County Strategic Roadway Action Plan (CCSRP) to the staff and elected officials of Collin County local governments in response to the growing need to improve mobility in North Texas, and for consideration for expedited implementation; and

**WHEREAS,** the CCSRП has determined that a north-south freeway in the eastern part of Collin County that would connect SH 121 near its crossing of the Outer Loop to the President George Bush Turnpike (PGBT), is projected to save approximately \$7 billion in travel time; and

**WHEREAS,** a new freeway will also be needed to relieve the east-west portion of SH 78 from the east side of Lake Lavon and Lake Ray Hubbard in the vicinity of the City of Lavon to the west side of the lakes in the vicinity of the City of Wylie;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:**

Section 1. The Commissioners Court supports the placement of a north-south freeway corridor in the Mobility 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the purpose of determining an acceptable route and for the additional purpose of conducting the necessary environmental reviews to advance such a project.

Section 2. The Commissioners Court further supports the placement of a new freeway to relieve SH 78 from the east side of Lake Lavon and Lake Ray Hubbard in the vicinity of the City of Lavon to the west side of the lakes, in the vicinity of the City of Wylie in the Mobility 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the purpose of determining an acceptable route and for the additional purpose of conducting the necessary environmental reviews to advance such a project.

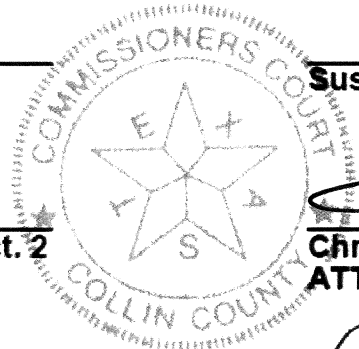
PASSED AND APPROVED this 23<sup>RD</sup> day of October, 2017.

Keith Self, County Judge

Not Present

Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct. 1

Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct. 2



Chris Hill, Commissioner, Pct. 3  
ATTEST:

Not Present

Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct. 4

  
Stacey Kemp, Ex-Officio Clerk  
Commissioners' Court  
Collin County, T E X A S