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MEMO

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To: Commissioners Court

From: Clarence Daugherty, P.E., Director of Engineering

Subject: Resolution Approving An Alignment for the Future US 380 Freeway Along CR 164 and

Bloomdale Rd and Authorizing the Engineering Department to Acquire the Associated

Land

Over the last year, the City of McKinney, Collin County, the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) have worked on determining the "footprint" of a segment of the future US 380 alignment that will be in the Bloomdale corridor. This footprint has now been determined to the satisfaction of the staffs of the City of McKinney, Collin County and the NTMWD. Although the TxDOT has determined the validity of this as an option for the future freeway, it cannot establish this as the alignment at this time. The TxDOT is in the process of conducting an Environmental Impact Statement for the freeway in this segment and must allow this process to determine the final alignment.

There is no alternative alignment for this segment between the future Ridge Road and approximately Community Avenue (other than along the existing US 380 alignment which the City of McKinney has gone on record opposing). Therefore, the staffs of the City of McKinney and Collin County are confident that the "footprint" depicted in the attached illustrations will be the alignment. It is urgent that the land for this segment be acquired as soon as possible because there are developments along this alignment that are platting their residential development and will build houses in this alignment if the land is not acquired from them soon. In addition the NTMWD needs to install a large water supply line to the City of McKinney as soon as possible for the City to be able to adequately serve their growing population. The easement that they need is part of the alignment that has been established.

Attached is a draft resolution for consideration by the Commissioners Court. This resolution is similar to a resolution passed by the McKinney City Council on October 6, 2020, approving this alignment. This resolution also authorizes and directs the Collin County Engineering Department to facilitate the County's acquisition of the land in this segment. Funds are available from the County's 2018 Bond Fund.

Action Requested: It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the attached resolution and authorize and direct the Engineering Department to begin acquiring land in this corridor.