

RESOLUTION NO. 14-19

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ADEQUATE FUNDING OF THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM; GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZING CITY SECRETARY TO AUTHENTICATE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE TO SAID RESOLUTION, AND AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL INSTRUMENTS REQUISITE IN IMPLEMENTING SAID RESOLUTION, AND AUTHORIZING CITY SECRETARY TO AUTHENTICATE CITY MANAGER'S SIGNATURE TO THIS RESOLUTION.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas, was held in Commerce, Texas, at City Hall, on the 17th day of June 2014, at 6:00 p.m.; a majority of Council Member's being present and constituting a quorum, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of Texas in accordance with federal law; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with the North Central Texas Council of Governments, and has been and continues to be the regional forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and

WHEREAS, US Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx recently concluded his Invest in America, Commit to the Future Bus Tour in Garland, Texas, highlighting the need for a national investment in roads, bridges, ports and transit systems; and

WHEREAS, during the bus tour, Secretary Foxx stressed the importance of transportation projects' ability to provide ladders of opportunity to create jobs, plan for the future and spur economic development; and

WHEREAS, the balance in the Highway Trust Fund is expected to be exhausted by August 2014, which could lead to transportation projects being delayed; and

WHEREAS, transportation needs far outpace the ability of the Highway Trust Fund at the federal level and the State Highway Fund at the state level, leading to a backlog of needed transportation projects;

WHEREAS, voices from across the nation such as elected officials, business leaders and citizens need to be heard on the need to address transportation funding needs; and

WHEREAS, several initiatives at the federal and state levels, such as the November 2014 election for Proposition 1, the need to address the Highway Trust Fund shortfall, the reauthorization of MAP-21 in Congress and the upcoming 84th Texas Legislature, present real opportunities to address transportation funding needs in a meaningful way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Regional Transportation Council supports the need to adequately fund transportation.

Section 2. Members of the Regional Transportation Council will carry the message about the ability of transportation projects to create jobs and spur economic development along with the need to adequately fund transportation to groups in their communities such as chambers of commerce, other business groups, neighborhood associations, and others.

Section 3. The Director of Transportation is permitted to communicate this position of support on behalf of the Regional Transportation Council.

Section 4. This resolution will be transmitted to the United States Department of Transportation, the North Central Texas Congressional and Legislative Delegations, partner transportation organizations and all impacted local governments in the Dallas-Fort Worth region.

Section 5. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City of Commerce, Texas, be authorized and he is hereby authorized to execute this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Secretary be authorized and she is hereby authorized to attest to the signature of the Mayor to this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Secretary be authorized and she is hereby authorized to attest to the signature of the City Manager to any and all instruments requisite to implementing this Resolution.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNING BODY of the City of Commerce, Texas, at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas, on the 17th day of June 2014.

ATTEST:


Marty Cunningham, City Secretary

CITY OF COMMERCE:


John Ballotti, Mayor

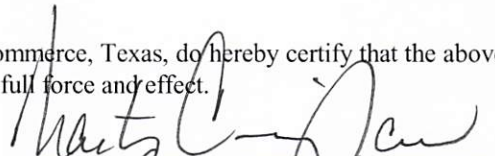
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Jay Garrett, City Attorney

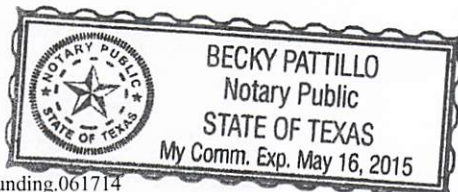
I, Marty Cunningham, City Secretary of the City of Commerce, Texas, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution and that the same has not been repealed and is in full force and effect.

(Seal)


Marty Cunningham, City Secretary

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this the 18th day of June 2014 to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

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Notary Public, State of Texas