

RESOLUTION NO. 015-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP SUPPORTING A MOBILITY PROJECT ADJACENT TO THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR IMMEDIATE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE; AND, AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT/GENERAL MANAGER TO SUBMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL (H-GAC) ASKING THAT THE MOBILITY PROJECT BE ADDED TO THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Mobility is very important to the residents and businesses in The Woodlands Township and south Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, the Woodlands Road Utility District No. 1 (WRUD) has committed funding for engineering design, environmental assessment and a 20% local share cost match, and will act as the local sponsor, for construction of a roadway project in South Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, mobility improvements are necessary at the Research Forest Drive and IH-45 Intersection to reduce existing traffic congestion, and

WHEREAS, the traffic congestion in this area is expected to become worse as additional traffic is added to this intersection by new commercial and residential growth and changes in traffic patterns as a result of extending Research Forest Drive to FM 2978, and

WHEREAS, the Woodlands Township supports moving forward with a proposed traffic mitigation project (The "Project") which will include exploring alternative transportation design alternatives , including, but not limited to, a northbound to westbound direct connector at IH-45 and Research Forest Drive as proposed by the Woodlands Road Utility District No. 1 (WRUD), and including a project assessment that examines social, economic and natural resource impacts, and

WHEREAS, it is important that the future development of the alternative transportation design alternatives include collaboration between The Woodlands Township, the City of Shenandoah and the City of Oak Ridge North in determining the best "build" solution for traffic mitigation at the Research / I45 Interchange, and


WHEREAS, the Project will include public input which is a vital element in this process, and

WHEREAS, The Woodlands Township supports approval and funding by the Houston-Galveston Area Council in the 2013- 2016 Transportation Improvement Plan for the "Project" as described above;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP THAT THE PRESIDENT/GENERAL MANAGER IS AUTHORIZED TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL REQUESTING THAT THE "PROJECT" DESCRIBED ABOVE AND SPONSORED BY THE WOODLANDS ROAD UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 BE ADDED TO, AND APPROVED, FOR FUNDING IN THE H-GAC 2013-2016 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26 day of Sept, 2012.

THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP



Chairman, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 016-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP SUPPORTING A MOBILITY PROJECT IN AND ADJACENT TO THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR IMMEDIATE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE; AND, AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT/GENERAL MANAGER TO SUBMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL (H-GAC) ASKING THAT THE MOBILITY PROJECT BE ADDED TO THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Mobility is very important to the residents and businesses in The Woodlands Township and south Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, the Woodlands Road Utility District No. 1 (WRUD) has committed funding for engineering design, environmental assessment and a 20% local share cost match, and will act as the local sponsor, for construction of a roadway project in The Woodlands Township and South Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, mobility improvements are necessary at the Research Forest Drive and the Grogan's Mill Road intersection to reduce existing traffic congestion, and

WHEREAS, the traffic congestion in this area is expected to become worse as additional traffic is added to this intersection by new commercial and residential growth and changes in traffic patterns as a result of extending Research Forest Drive to FM 2978, and

WHEREAS, the Woodlands Township supports moving forward with a proposed traffic mitigation project (The "Project") which will include exploring alternative transportation design alternatives, including, but not limited to, a grade separation at the Grogan's Mill Road and Research Forest Drive intersection, as proposed by the Woodlands Road Utility District No. 1 (WRUD), and including a project assessment that examines social, economic and natural resource impacts, and

WHEREAS, it is important that development of future alternative transportation design alternatives include collaboration between The Woodlands Township and the City of Shenandoah in determining the best "build" solution for traffic mitigation at the Grogan's Mill Road and Research Forest Drive intersection, and

WHEREAS, the Project will include public input which is a vital element in this process, and

WHEREAS, The Woodlands Township supports approval and funding by the Houston-Galveston Area Council in the 2013- 2016 Transportation Improvement Plan for the "Project" as described above;


NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP THAT THE PRESIDENT/GENERAL MANAGER IS AUTHORIZED TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL REQUESTING THAT THE "PROJECT" DESCRIBED ABOVE AND SPONSORED BY THE WOODLANDS ROAD UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 BE ADDED TO, AND APPROVED, FOR FUNDING IN THE H-GAC 2013-2016 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26 day of Sept, 2012.

THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP


Chairman, Board of Directors

ATTEST:


Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 017-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP SUPPORTING A MOBILITY PROJECT IN AND ADJACENT TO THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR IMMEDIATE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE; AND, AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT/GENERAL MANAGER TO SUBMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL (H-GAC) ASKING THAT THE MOBILITY PROJECT BE APPROVED AND ADDED TO THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Mobility is very important to the residents and businesses in The Woodlands Township and south Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, the Woodlands Road Utility District No. 1 (WRUD) has committed funding for engineering design, environmental assessment and a 20% local share cost match, and will act as the local sponsor, for construction of a roadway project in South Montgomery County; and


WHEREAS, the project will be a northbound braided ramp at IH-45 and State Highway 242 that will enhance highway traffic mobility in and near The Woodlands Township; and

WHEREAS, The Woodlands Township supports approval and funding by the Houston-Galveston Area Council in the 2013- 2016 Transportation Improvement Plan for the WRUD proposed mobility project;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP THAT THE PRESIDENT/GENERAL MANAGER IS AUTHORIZED TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL REQUESTING THAT THE WOODLANDS ROAD UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 PROJECT NAMED ABOVE BE ADDED TO, AND APPROVED, FOR FUNDING IN THE H-GAC 2013-2016 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

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