

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-10-____ (R)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, PROVIDING SUPPORT OF A US 380 FREEWAY ALIGNMENT GENERALLY BETWEEN FUTURE RIDGE ROAD AND COMMUNITY AVENUE RELATED TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION US 380 COLLIN COUNTY FEASIBILITY STUDY

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation initiated the US 380 Collin County Feasibility Study in 2017 in order to analyze potential roadway alternatives for US 380 through Collin County, Texas to support projected long term growth and mobility within the county and the region; and

WHEREAS, through the efforts of the feasibility study, the Texas Department of Transportation provided a recommended freeway alignment in May 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas approved a resolution in October 2019 which supported the goals of the US 380 Collin County Feasibility Study while opposing any alternative that converts the existing US 380 into a limited access roadway and providing guiding principles for alternatives which provide “bypass” alignments from existing US 380; and

WHEREAS, following the completion of the US 380 Collin County Feasibility Study in March 2020, the Texas Department of Transportation has initiated the environmental study phase of the project, which seeks to further evaluate the impacts of the recommended freeway alignment and previous alignments considered during the study based on additional environmental factors and more thorough technical data; and

WHEREAS, this environmental phase is expected to take two to four years to complete before the Texas Department of Transportation can begin right-of-way acquisition; and

WHEREAS, the City of McKinney, Texas has identified a portion of the US 380 freeway alignment generally between future Ridge Road and Community Avenue as being a high priority due to current development pressures along the corridor and the efforts by the North Texas Municipal Water District to construct a new major water delivery pipeline serving the water needs of the City of McKinney, Texas and the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, the City of McKinney, Texas believes that this segment of the proposed US 380 Freeway has a low risk of moving to a new corridor due to the existing development in the area and the proximity of the Collin County Outer Loop to the north, and

WHEREAS, a suggested adjustment to the US 380 freeway alignment has been developed generally between future Ridge Road and Community Avenue generally following the 2019 Texas Department of Transportation recommended freeway alignment while providing additional buffer from existing residential development and reducing impacts to future development as shown in “Exhibits A-1 and A-2”. This suggested alignment has been presented to TxDOT and it must still be evaluated in TxDOT’s NEPA process which includes presenting and receiving public input.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas, hereby acknowledges and supports an alignment and footprint for a US 380 freeway generally between Ridge Road and Community Avenue, as depicted on “Exhibits A-1 and A-2.”

Section 2. The City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas, hereby provides the following guiding principles related to the alignment depicted on “Exhibits A-1 and A-2”:

- The ongoing environmental study phase by the Texas Department of Transportation should continue to evaluate US 380 freeway alignment alternatives west of future Ridge Road with an emphasis on providing the most efficient and direct route through Collin County, Texas. Any such alignment alternatives should be evaluated technically and fairly while seeking to reduce disruptions to existing development and the environment.
- The proposed US 380 freeway alignment generally between future Ridge Road and Community Avenue should be designed to include a full or partial depression of freeway mainlanes and sound barriers, where reasonable and feasible, to provide maximum physical, visual, and sound separation.
- The proposed US 380 freeway alignment generally between future Ridge Road and Community Avenue should include grade-separated intersections with efficient ramping at the existing and future arterial intersections of Ridge Road, Lake Forest Drive, County Road 1006 (Future Unnamed Arterial), Bloomdale Road, Hardin Boulevard, and Community Avenue.
- Protection and preservation of Erwin Park, including a design component of the US 380 freeway, which provides a grade-separated pedestrian crossing to Erwin Park.
- Continued evaluation of a US 380 freeway alignment and associated interchange with US 75 which keeps the Laud Howell Parkway/US 75 intersection intact and places a US 380/US 75 interchange further south than depicted in the 2019 Texas Department of Transportation recommended alignment while seeking to maximize access to future development, minimize impacts to planned development, and minimize any impacts to Collin County government facilities.

Section 3. The City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas, hereby requests Texas Department of Transportation to present this option as depicted in “Exhibits A-1 and A-2” in the NEPA process.

Section 4. The City Council of the City of McKinney, hereby requests the Collin County, Texas Commissioners Court to concurrently support the US 380 freeway alignment as depicted on “Exhibits A-1 and A-2” generally between future Ridge Road and Community Avenue and immediately begin efforts for strategic land banking to preserve the corridor for the potential future US 380 freeway utilizing funds allocated for such use in the Collin County 2018 Bond Program.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after the date of passage and is so resolved.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, ON THE 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2020.

CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS:

GEORGE C. FULLER
Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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