

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-03-___ (R)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, SUPPORTING THE DESIGNATION OF AN INTERSTATE HIGHWAY ROUTE BEGINNING AT THE JUNCTION OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 30 AND THE OUTER LOOP IN ROCKWALL COUNTY, CONTINUING NORTH AND WEST ALONG THE FUTURE ALIGNMENT OF THE OUTER LOOP TO ITS JUNCTION WITH US 75 AND THEN CONTINUING NORTH ALONG US 75

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas, understands that improvements to the Panama Canal will be completed in 2015 and will accommodate wider and longer ships, thereby increasing the capacity of the canal; and

WHEREAS, with this increase in capacity, the City Council of the City of McKinney is concerned that there will be an increase in volume of freight that will be transported via truck, from the ports in Texas to the Midwest, passing through Dallas on its way; and

WHEREAS, according to a study completed by the Oklahoma DOT, more freight is currently transported along the shorter US 75/69 corridor than along I-35 and the study indicates truck traffic along the US 75/69 route is currently increasing at a rate of 2% per year; and

WHEREAS, currently, of all roads in the DFW Metroplex, US 75 is the most congested, carrying 275,000 vehicles per day on the section just north of I-635 and once the constrictions in Oklahoma are removed, an increase in traffic along this segment of the corridor is anticipated; and

WHEREAS, TxDOT is currently conducting a study to relieve the congestion on US 75 between McKinney and Dallas and the cities along the corridor wish that the section of US 75 remain a commuter corridor, as it functions today; and

WHEREAS, to relieve the current congestion along this section of US 75 and provide additional capacity for future growth, the Outer Loop must be constructed as a bypass route for interstate traffic.

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

- Section 1. The City of McKinney supports the designation of an interstate highway route beginning at the junction of Interstate Highway 30 and the Outer Loop in Rockwall County, continuing north and west along the future alignment of the Outer Loop to its junction with US 75 and then continuing north along US 75.
- Section 2. The City of McKinney supports the inclusion of the Outer Loop in the 2040 Mobility Plan.
- Section 3. The City of McKinney supports the concept that the Outer Loop should serve as a bypass of the Metroplex for interstate traffic, thereby allowing the section of US 75 from McKinney to Dallas to be used as a commuter corridor, as it functions today.
- Section 4. 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 19th DAY OF MARCH, 2013.

CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS

BRIAN LOUGHMILLER
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