

TITLE: Regional Mobility Planning, Specifically Related to Major Projects in Collin

County

**COUNCIL GOAL:** Direction for Strategic and Economic Growth

**MEETING DATE:** May 2, 2016

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## RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

Discuss and provide feedback.

## **ITEM SUMMARY:**

- This item is to discuss potential long term transportation needs for Collin County, including major projects, limited access roadways (LARs), and recent actions of the Collin County Commissioners Court.
- The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) and Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently completed an update to the Regional Mobility Plan known as Mobility 2040.
- Following approval of the plan, the RTC requested that each Collin County municipality provide a recommendation of three major projects (e.g. highways/freeways) that would help advance and improve the long term transportation needs of the County. Recommended projects should be limited to those contained in the Mobility 2040 Plan.
- Similarly, the Collin County Commissioners Court recently reviewed the 2014
  Mobility Plan for Collin County and concluded that "limited access
  roadways" (LARs) was a major element that should be added to the Collin
  County Mobility Plan.

- As such, the Court signed an Order to establish a list of priority LARs to be considered for inclusion in the Collin County Mobility Plan. Locations included are: (1) US Highway 380; (2) State Highway 78; (3) a North-South corridor west of Lavon; and (4) the Collin County Outer Loop. A memorandum to Collin County Mayors, a copy of the Court Order, and a map of the four identified LARs locations are attached to this agenda item for your reference.
- At the request of RTC, Staff is asking that City Council consider what three major projects might most be needed in McKinney to help the city and county achieve long term growth and mobility goals.
- Additionally, due to potential implications to the transportation element of the ONE McKinney 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update, Staff is also requesting Council feedback related to the LARs locations identified by the Collin County Commissioners Court.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

- For more information about the Collin County 2014 Mobility Plan, visit: <a href="http://www.co.collin.tx"><a href="http://www.co.collin.tx">http://www.co.collin.tx</a>.
- For more information about the Regional Mobility Plan (Mobility 2040 Plan), visit: <a href="https://www.nctcog.org/mobility2040">www.nctcog.org/mobility2040</a> <a href="https://www.nctcog.org/mobility2040">http://www.nctcog.org/mobility2040</a>.

## **SUPPORTING MATERIALS:**

Commissioners Court Memo and Info Letter from RTC McKinney Thoroughfare Plan (2015) Mobility 2040 Project Maps Presentation