

RESOLUTION NO. 13-96

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, SUPPORTING THE CONCEPT OF AN AREA OR MULTI-COUNTY TOLLWAY AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE THE DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF TOLLWAYS IN THE DALLAS-FORT WORTH REGION AND ASSUME EXISTING ASSETS AND OPERATIONS OF THE TEXAS TURNPIKE AUTHORITY (TTA) IN THE DALLAS-FORT WORTH AREA.

WHEREAS, the mobility needs for the Dallas-Fort Worth area far exceed local, State, and Federal funding potential over the next two decades; and

WHEREAS, efforts to maintain the economic growth and vitality of the City of Mesquite and the entire region depend in part on the ability of citizens to move through the region in an efficient and timely manner, with full regard to issues of air quality and cost effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, discussions indicate the existing structure of the Texas Turnpike Authority (TTA) may be subject to change during the next legislative session through the Sunset process for the Texas Department of Transportation and the TTA, thus potentially negatively impacting the region's ability to move forward with additional mobility projects involving full or partial toll options; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite has determined it would be in the best interest of mobility needs to support the development of a tollway authority comprised of several counties in this region.

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

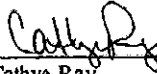
SECTION 1. The City of Mesquite acknowledges the benefit of a locally controlled tollway authority to support continued efforts to solve mobility problems within the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

SECTION 2. Copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition, the Regional Transportation Council, Dallas County, and other appropriate local and State government officials having input into the Texas Sunset Process and subsequent legislation directed at the creation of such a local authority.

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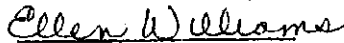
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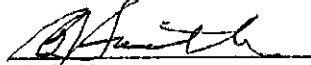
DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 6th day of May 1996.


Cathye Ray
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Ellen Williams
City Secretary


B.J. Smith
City Attorney