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RESOLUTION NO. 01-2003

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, CLEARLY STATING THE CITY'S SUPPORT TO RECONSTRUCT AND IMPROVE THE TOWN EAST BOULEVARD OVERPASS AT THE U. S. HIGHWAY 80 INTERCHANGE.

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has determined that the existing Town East Boulevard overpass at U. S. Highway 80 should be replaced and the interchange improved; and

WHEREAS, TxDOT has these improvements scheduled in the Year 2011 for this overpass and interchange; and

WHEREAS, the existing Town East Boulevard overpass is a four-lane divided roadway that cannot adequately carry current traffic volumes; and

WHEREAS, the existing Town East Boulevard overpass has traffic volumes of 30,000 vehicles per day; and

WHEREAS, the existing roadway at each end of the bridge is a six-lane thoroughfare; and

WHEREAS, the area south of U. S. Highway 80 and in the vicinity of Town East Boulevard includes the United Parcel Service on Samuell Boulevard, the Union Pacific Intermodal Facility on Forney Avenue and Skyline Business Park on Town East Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, the area south of U. S. Highway 80 and in the vicinity of Town East Boulevard generates approximately 2,400 trucks per day, adding to traffic congestion at the Town East Boulevard overpass at the U. S. Highway 80 interchange; and

WHEREAS, in March 1998 Dallas County, part of the four-county nonattainment area in north central Texas was reclassified by EPA as a "serious" nonattainment area; and

WHEREAS, traffic congestion at the Town East Boulevard and U. S. Highway 80 interchange contributes to the poor air quality in the Dallas County area.

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

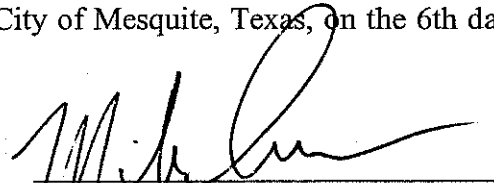
SECTION 1. That the City of Mesquite (the "City") hereby adopts this resolution to clearly state support to advance proposed reconstruction and improvements to the Town East Boulevard overpass at the U. S. Highway 80 interchange at the earliest time.

SECTION 2. That the City will support this request by committing funds for the plans, specifications and estimate for these overpass and interchange improvements in the amount of one million dollars and assist the construction cost with an additional two million dollars.

SECTION 3. That the City will request support from Dallas County for the advancement of this project with a commitment of two million dollars.


SECTION 4. That the City agrees to work with the Dallas District of TxDOT and Dallas County to accomplish these objectives.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 6th day of January, 2003.



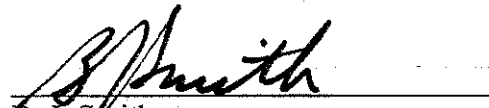
Mike Anderson
Mayor

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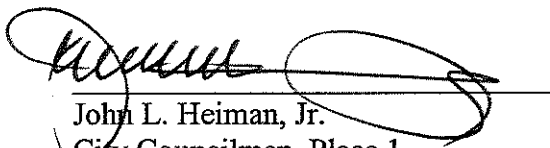


Ellen Williams
City Secretary

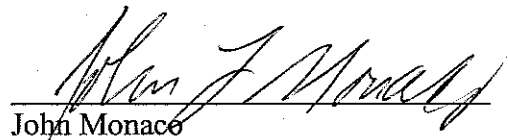
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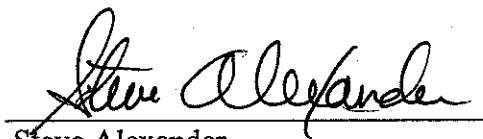
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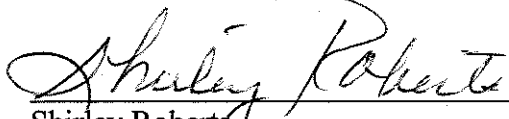
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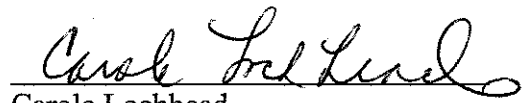
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