

RESOLUTION NO. 1193-11-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS SUPPORTING FUNDING THE DIRECT CONNECT AT THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH US 59 AND STATE LOOP 224.

WHEREAS, in 2013 TxDOT and I-69 Angelina and Nacogdoches County's Committees performed robust public outreach to inform local citizens of alignment options for I-69 in Nacogdoches County including the direct connect project at South US 59 and State Loop 224; and

WHEREAS, public input received during 2013 and 2014 indicated over 70 percent of participants supported the US 59 upgrade option including the direct connect at South US 59 and State Loop 224; and

WHEREAS, the Nacogdoches County Committee members recommended the direct connect at South US 59 and State Loop 224 as the first priority for the City of Nacogdoches and Nacogdoches County; and

WHEREAS, the direct connect will relieve traffic congestion for day to day traffic and those vehicles transporting freight along the US 59 corridor, as well as greatly enhance the movement of traffic from coastal areas during hurricane evacuations; and

WHEREAS, voters in Nacogdoches County as well as throughout the State have overwhelmingly supported increased funding for transportation improvements; and

WHEREAS, connectivity is critical to the long term economic viability of the State of Texas including the I-69 corridor for both imports and exports; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Nacogdoches City Council the city supports Texas Department of Transportation's efforts for upgrading the existing US 59 alignment to interstate standards through Nacogdoches to US 259 and reaffirms the direct connect at South US 59 and State Loop 224 as the first priority for the City of Nacogdoches and Nacogdoches County.

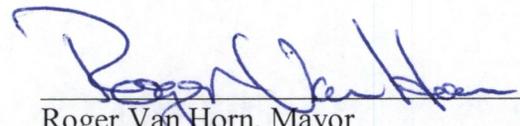
NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the City of Nacogdoches encourages the Texas Department of Transportation Commission to allocate funding for the construction of the direct connect at south US 59 and State Loop 224 from Prop 7 funding in 2019.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15 day of November, 2016.

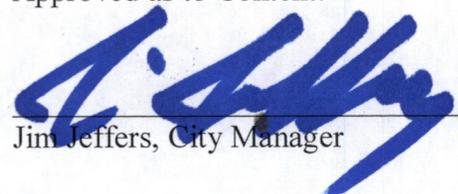
ATTEST:


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