

AGENDA ITEM 18

Discuss and consider a resolution encouraging construction of freight rail in the SH 130 corridor.

Moved: **Commissioner Limmer**

Seconded: **Commissioner Boatright**

Motion: To approve a resolution encouraging construction of freight rail in the SH 130 corridor.

Vote: **5 - 0**

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Resolution

The State of Texas }

 } Know All Men By These Presents:

County of Williamson }

That on this, the 11th day of March, A. D. 2003, the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas, met duly called and convened lawful Session at the County Courthouse in Georgetown, Texas, with the following members present:

John Doerfler, County Judge, Presiding
Mike Heiligenstein, Commissioner Precinct One, and
Greg Boatright, Commissioner Precinct Two, and
David Hays, Commissioner Precinct Three, and
Frankie Limmer, Commissioner Precinct Four

WHERE, among other matters, came up for consideration and adoption the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has entered into an Exclusive Development Agreement with Lone Star Infrastructure (LSI) to construct SH 130; and

WHEREAS, SH 130 has been historically planned as a multi-modal corridor to include toll lanes, freight rail, and passage rail; and

WHEREAS, the Record of Decision and Final Environmental Impact Statement acknowledged that freight rail could be included in the SH 130 corridor; and

WHEREAS, TxDOT has initiated a study to insure the technical and financial capability of future freight rail in the SH 130 corridor; and

WHEREAS, TxDOT is considering modifications to Lone Star Infrastructure's current SH 130 corridor design proposal to insure the future construction of freight rail; and

WHEREAS, Williamson County provided TxDOT \$45 million for the acquisition of right of way for the SH 130 multi-modal corridor;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Williamson County strongly encourages TxDOT to provide for the future construction of freight rail in the SH 130 corridor, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Williamson County recommends that TxDOT modify the Exclusive Development Agreement with Lone Star Infrastructure to insure the most financially feasible construction of freight rail in the SH 130 corridor.

The foregoing Resolution was lawfully moved by Commissioner Limmer, duly seconded by Commissioner Boatright, and was then adopted by a vote of 5 voting for and 0 voting against. County Judge John C. Doerfler was duly authorized to sign said resolution as the act and deed of Commissioner's Court of Williamson County and of said County.

John C. Doerfler 3-11-03
John Doerfler, Williamson County Judge

Attest:

Nancy E. Rister
Nancy Rister, Williamson County Clerk

AGENDA ITEM 19

Discuss and take appropriate action on road bond program.

There was no action taken on this agenda item.

AGENDA ITEM 20

Discuss and take appropriate action on jail/courthouse annex expansion.

Ed Lee stated that there is a meeting scheduled Thursday, March 12, to talk with contractors about the schedule of the courts so that noise disruption can be minimized during construction. He asked for a Notice to Proceed for the courts annex addition to give authorization to contractors so that they can proceed with their bonding for the project. Joe Latteo stated that the lower-level parking garage will be closed this weekend for painting.

Moved: **Judge Doerfler**

Seconded: **Commissioner Boatright**

Motion: To approve a Notice to Proceed for the courthouse annex expansion.

Vote: **5 - 0**

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