## **RESOLUTION NO. 2019-045**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS URGING THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) TO PROCEED WITH CONSTRUCTION OF SH 170 IMPROVEMENTS AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.

- WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of North Richland Hills, Texas has deemed it necessary and in the best interest of the citizens of the City of North Richland Hills to support the accelerated expansion of SH 170; and
- WHEREAS, the accelerated expansion of SH 170, known as the Alliance Gateway Freeway, is critically necessary in order to guarantee that the region can meet the growing needs for capacity in the Alliance Corridor and to ensure unimpeded mobility throughout northeast Tarrant and south Denton Counties for the area for residents, commuters and businesses; and
- WHEREAS, SH 170 provided the transportation infrastructure to support massive industrial, residential and real estate expansion throughout northeast Tarrant and southeast Denton Counties, and enabled the Alliance Corridor to become a leading global logistics hub and economic center for the entire North Texas region; and
- WHEREAS, SH 170 is an essential highway for motorists and industrial traffic needing east/west access across the north end of the Metroplex, and average drive time to and from IH-35W along SH 170, which is only seven miles in distance, is in excess of 45 minutes during the morning and evening rush hours; and
- WHEREAS, there is significant employment growth currently underway within the corridor with the impending opening of Charles Schwab Corporation, as well as the growth of other area companies, will attract an additional 15,000 daytime workers and residents to the area; and
- **WHEREAS**, enhancements to SH 170 will be the "last piece of the puzzle" in connecting a regional transportation network across the Alliance Corridor; and
- WHEREAS, SH 170 has become one of the most important roadways in North Texas and is a vital link for area companies and residents (more than 400,000 within the corridor), between Fort Worth Alliance Airport and Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport, as well as Downtown Fort Worth to the south; and
- **WHEREAS**, continued growth and prosperity for our region depends on its expedited completion.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS, THAT:

- **SECTION 1.** The City Council hereby finds that the recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution as if written herein.
- **SECTION 2.** The City Council hereby declares its support urging the Texas Department of Transportation to proceed with the accelerated expansion of SH 170, known as the Alliance Gateway Freeway.
- **SECTION 3.** That this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after the date of its adoption, and it is so resolved; and all Resolutions of the City Council of the City in conflict herewith are hereby amended or repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.

	CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS
ATTEST:	By: Oscar Trevino, Mayor
Alicia Richardson, City Secretary	
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL	_ITY:
Maleshia B. McGinnis, City Attorney	
APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:	
Mike Curtis Managing Director	