



**CENTRAL TEXAS
Regional Mobility Authority**

AGENDA ITEM #9 SUMMARY

Approve the resolution enacted by the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) relating to IH 35 Corridor improvements and requesting that the Texas Department of Transportation lead and coordinate those improvement efforts.

Strategic Plan Relevance: Regional Mobility
Department: Executive Director
Associated Costs: None
Funding Source: Not applicable
Board Action Required: Yes

Description of Matter:

This resolution supports a resolution adopted by the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board on January 14, 2013. That resolution expresses CAMPO's support for the Texas Department of Transportation to be the lead agency to coordinate efforts to relating to IH 35 Corridor improvements.

TxDOT is the logical choice as the lead agency to coordinate efforts addressing congestion in the IH 35 Corridor. This resolution expresses support by the Mobility Authority for that concept and for the resolution adopted by CAMPO.

Reference documentation:

Draft Resolution
Resolution enacted by CAMPO

Contact for further information:

Andy Martin, General Counsel

**GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY**

RESOLUTION NO. 13-___

**APPROVING THE RESOLUTION ENACTED BY THE CAPITAL AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (CAMPO) RELATING TO IH 35
CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS AND REQUESTING THAT THE TEXAS
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION LEAD AND COORDINATE THOSE
IMPROVEMENT EFFORTS.**

WHEREAS, a portion of IH 35 within the boundaries of the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (“CAMPO”) has been identified as the fourth most congested corridor in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2013, the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board adopted a resolution addressing the importance of the IH 35 corridor to the CAMPO region and stating the CAMPO Board’s desire to have the Texas Department of Transportation lead and coordinate efforts to provide a multimodal corridor solution and implementation plan for improvements to IH 35;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors agrees with the members of the CAMPO Board that the Texas Department of Transportation is the logical agency to lead and coordinate the improvements to the IH 35 corridor with the active involvement of regional partners, including the Mobility Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby requests the Texas Department of Transportation to lead and coordinate efforts to provide a large scale, comprehensive corridor solution for improvements to IH 35 that span the CAMPO region, as stated by the CAMPO Board in its resolution attached to this resolution as Exhibit 1.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 27th day of February, 2013.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Approved:

Andrew Martin
General Counsel for the Central
Texas Regional Mobility Authority

Ray A. Wilkerson
Chairman, Board of Directors
Resolution Number: 13-___
Date Passed: 02/27/2013

EXHIBIT 1 TO RESOLUTION NO. 13-____

CAMPO RESOLUTION

[attached beginning on the following page]



February 4, 2013

Mr. Greg Malatek, P.E.
District Engineer
Texas Department of Transportation - Austin District
P.O. Drawer 15426
Austin, TX 78761 – 5426

Dear Mr. Malatek:

On January 14, the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board took action to approve the accompanying resolution articulating the importance of improvements to the IH 35 corridor through the CAMPO region and seeking TxDOT's leadership in this critical corridor.

We have been asked to convey this information to TxDOT on behalf of the Policy Board. I've also included, for information purposes, the background material that staff provided in support of the resolution.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 512.974.2275 or maureen.mccoy@campotexas.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Maureen McCoy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail on the "y".

Maureen McCoy
Director

Attachments

Copy: Sandy Guzman, Senator Kirk Watson
Marc Williams, TxDOT



RESOLUTION

Relating to Improvements to the IH 35 Corridor through the CAMPO Region and Requesting that TxDOT coordinates Improvement Efforts

WHEREAS, pursuant to federal law, the Governor of the State of Texas designated the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Austin region in 1973 and in 2010 CAMPO's boundary was expanded to include Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis and Williamson Counties; and

WHEREAS, CAMPO's Transportation Policy Board is the regional forum for cooperative decision-making regarding transportation issues in Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis and Williamson Counties in Central Texas; and

WHEREAS, a portion of IH 35 through the CAMPO region has been identified as the fourth most congested corridor in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the vitality of the CAMPO region, the state and the nation is dependent upon this backbone corridor; and

WHEREAS, CAMPO and its member jurisdictions have invested over \$ 90 million in improvements and conceptual studies in the IH 35 corridor over the last several years; and

WHEREAS, it is time to undertake a large scale, comprehensive corridor solution along IH 35 spanning our region; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is the logical agency to spearhead the multi-jurisdictional improvement initiative in the IH 35 corridor with active involvement of regional partners.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Transportation Policy Board hereby votes in support of TxDOT leading the effort for a multimodal corridor solution and Implementation Plan for IH 35 through the CAMPO region and bringing resources to bear for such; and

Hereby orders the recording of this resolution in the minutes of the Transportation Policy Board; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board delegates the signing of the necessary documents to the Board Chair.

The above resolution being read, a motion to convey the importance of the IH 35 corridor to the CAMPO region and the desire to have TxDOT coordinate improvement efforts in the corridor of the was made on January 14, 2013 by Commissioner Long, duly seconded by Judge Biscoe.

Those voting "AYE":

Commissioner Conley	Mayor Leffingwell
Judge Biscoe	Commissioner Long
Mayor Blackmore-Hlista	Mr. Mills
Commissioner Beckett	Council Member Moman
Mayor Pro-Tem Cole	Mayor Powell
Commissioner Cyrier	Council Member Riley
Mayor Garver	Council Member Spelman
Mayor Pro-Tem Gonzales	

Those "Opposed":

Abstaining: Greg Malatek

Absent and Not Voting: Commissioner Eckhardt, Mayor Guerrero

SIGNED this 25th day of January, 2018

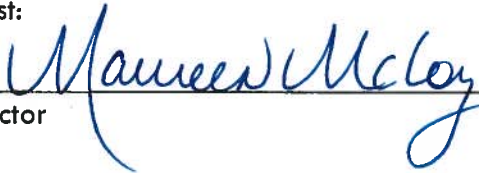


SARAH ECKHARDT on behalf of Will Conley

Chair, CAMPO Board

Attest:

Director





January 7, 2013

REVISED Transportation Policy Board	Agenda Item 3
Consider and take appropriate action on a resolution to the Texas Department of Transportation articulating the importance of improvements to the IH 35 corridor through the CAMPO region	

According to TxDOT, a portion of IH 35 through the CAMPO region is the 4th most congested corridor in the state of Texas. Additionally, there was a need identified in the CAMPO 2035 Plan for a corridor study between San Marcos and Georgetown.

The Transportation Policy Board approved over \$13 million in funds toward IH 35 projects/studies and the Mobility Investment Priority (Rider 42) task force has allocated almost \$13 million in Rider 42 funds for study and implementation on IH 35 between SH 45(N) and SH 45(S) as outlined below:

County	Source	Work Description	Funds Committed (millions)
Hays	Prop 12	SH 80 and Loop 82 intersections	\$4.8
Hays/Williamson	Cat 12	Studies/project development (remainder of \$136.5 million)	\$6.5
Williamson	STP MM	Operational Study	\$1.8
Travis	Rider 42	Studies/project development/incident management from 45N to 45S	\$12.8
TOTAL			\$25.9

Additionally, the transportation partners in the region have recently committed the following investments in the IH 35 corridor:

Agency	Work Description	Funds Committed (millions)
Williamson County	Frontage Roads, ramps, auxiliary lanes, interchanges (pass through finance program)	\$12
Hays County	Frontage Roads, ramps, auxiliary lanes, interchanges (pass through finance program)	\$19
City of Austin	IH 35 conceptual study; 51 st Street interchange; <u>various project design; bicycle and pedestrian facilities</u>	<u>\$41.9</u>
City of Round Rock	Improve ramps and add auxiliary lanes	\$8
City of Georgetown	Northwest Blvd Interchange	\$8

TOTAL	\$5166
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The conceptual study being wrapped up by the City of Austin/TxDOT has brought forth some potential improvement concepts and created a platform for moving forward with a large scale, comprehensive corridor study. For this effort to be successful, it is essential that it be well coordinated with one entity spearheading the project. Since IH 35 is an interstate highway and is of international, national and regional significance, TxDOT is the logical choice to manage the corridor study through the CAMPO region and beyond.

It is critical that the TxDOT leadership understand the importance of this corridor to the vitality of the CAMPO region (and beyond) by acknowledging the financial commitment CAMPO and its member jurisdictions have made to this corridor over the last several years. However, there is still a tremendous need for additional resources for further study and implementation of improvements. The attached resolution (**Attachment A**) conveys that message to the TxDOT administration and Texas Transportation Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Transportation Policy Board approves the accompanying resolution (**Attachment A**) for conveyance to the Texas Department of Transportation articulating the importance of improvements to the IH 35 corridor through the CAMPO region and seeking TxDOT's leadership in this critical corridor.