

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF THE BEXAR COUNTY
REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, Nearly \$4 billion dollars worth of state transportation projects have been identified for construction to provide improved mobility in Bexar County; and,

WHEREAS, The State of Texas has asked the local community to help shoulder the financial burden of building these identified state projects; and,

WHEREAS, Texas voters approved Proposition 15 in November 2001 allowing the creation of Regional Mobility Authorities (RMAs). In June 2002, the Texas Department of Transportation adopted 43 Tex.Admin.Code, §26.01, a set of rules for the creation and operation of an RMA which now have been codified by the Legislature as Chapter 370 of the Transportation Code; and,

WHEREAS, RMAs have the ability to undertake many types of transportation improvement projects, including: turnpikes, passenger and freight rail, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, Intermodal hubs, and border inspection stations; and

WHEREAS, A recently completed study of potential local RMA projects, funded by a \$500,000 grant from the Texas Department of Transportation, has identified several potential toll projects to improve mobility in our community which the Bexar County Commissioners Court may support; and

WHEREAS, This general support for RMAs and toll projects does not extend to the conversion of: existing state highway lanes within Bexar County, State Highway 151, or Loop 1604 from State Highway 90 to FM 471 to toll facilities.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT BEXAR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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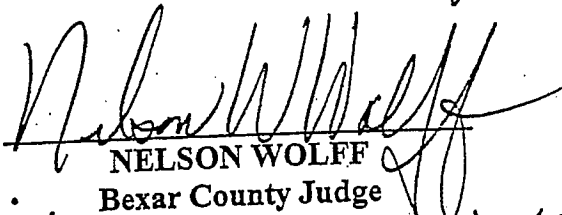
1. Supports the formation of the Bexar County Regional Mobility Authority with the exception that it does not support the conversion of: existing state highway lanes within Bexar County, State Highway 151, or Loop 1604 from State Highway 90 to FM 471 to toll facilities; and

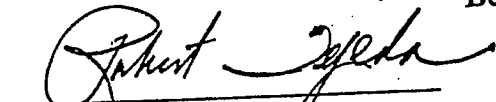
2. Authorizes the Bexar County Judge to execute a petition to the Texas Transportation Commission to form the Bexar County Regional Mobility Authority, and that the Petition will contain all the elements required by law, including:

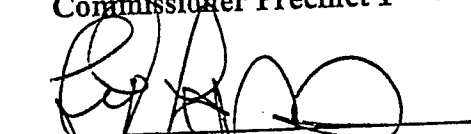
- Bexar County Commissioners Court Resolution;
- Description of Proposed RMA Projects
 - New capacity added to Loop 1604 from FM 471 to IH 35 in Northeast Bexar County
 - New capacity added to US 281 from Loop 1604 to Comal County Line
 - New connector/exchange ramps at US 281 and Loop 1604
 - New connector/exchange ramps at IH 10 and Loop 1604
 - New capacity added to IH 35 from Loop 1604 to downtown San Antonio

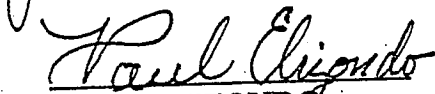
- Statement that the RMA will not convert: existing state highway lanes within Bexar County, SH 151 or Loop 1604 from State Highway 90 to FM 471 to toll facilities
- Statement that these Proposed RMA Projects are consistent with the approved plan of the San Antonio-Bexar County Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Statement of known environmental, social, economic, or cultural resource issues
- Statement of known opposition and/or controversies regarding proposed projects
- Statement of preliminary financing plan
- RMA Board Structure
 - Initial board to consist of 7 members
 - 6 appointed by Commissioners Court
 - 1 appointed as presiding officer by the Governor of Texas

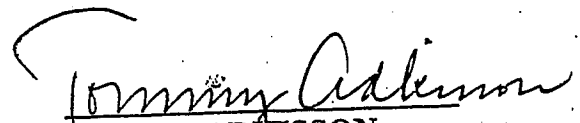
PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 12th DAY OF August, 2003.


 NELSON WOLFF
 Bexar County Judge


 ROBERT TEJEDA
 Commissioner Precinct 1


 LYLE LARSON
 Commissioner Precinct 3


 PAUL ELIZONDO
 Commissioner Precinct 2


 TOMMY ADKISSON
 Commissioner Precinct 4