

RESOLUTION 18-R-20

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS, EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT FOR FM 528 EXTENSION FROM BUSINESS 35 TO STATE HIGHWAY 6 (THE PROJECT), AND FOR APPROVAL AND FUNDING IN THE H-GAC TRANSPORTATION IMPLEMENTATION PLAN; AND SETTING FORTH OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Alvin, Texas (the “City”), is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, authorized to finance its activities by issuing obligations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alvin has a general need to more safely and efficiently direct traffic traveling between Friendswood and Manvel and through Alvin; and

WHEREAS, a serious evacuation danger exists for Galveston County residents that can be limited by the railroad underpass on Highway 6 in Alvin (this underpass flooded due to loss of power during IKE); and

WHEREAS, Highway 6 is limited to TxDOT permitted high load trucks due to this same railroad underpass; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alvin recognized these state highway limitations and added the FM 528 Extension Project (The Project) (an extension of FM 528 from Business 35 to Highway 6) to its Mobility Plan in 2003, and then initiated the acquisition of right-of-way, preliminary engineering, and environmental studies to move the Project to the formal submittal phase for funding consideration; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alvin updated its Thoroughfare Plan on April 7, 2016, and included the FM 528 Extension Project as a priority; and

WHEREAS, the Project is being submitted to the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) call for projects; and

WHEREAS, Brazoria County, through its Commissioners Court, has pledged a 10% match from a previous transportation bond program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alvin has spent over \$600,000 on the FM 528 Extension to date to obtain right of way, engineering, and environmental work, and is committed to contributing up to \$1 million toward the design and construction that will place the project in a “Project Ready Status”,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS, that the City of Alvin hereby passes this resolution of support and urges H-GAC to place it in the TIP for Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) funding at its earliest opportunity for the completion of the FM 528 Extension Project from Business Highway 35 west and south to State Highway 6.

AND, IT IS SO RESOLVED.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 7th day of June 2018.

CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS

ATTEST:

By: _____
Paul A. Horn, Mayor

By: _____
Dixie Roberts, City Secretary