

City of Conway, Arkansas Resolution No. <u>R-14-22</u>

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF CONWAY TO PARTNER WITH THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

I-40/ HWY 64 TRAFFIC OPERATIONS IMPROVEMENTS.

Whereas, a traffic analysis has been completed that evaluated various options to improve access to the future redevelopment of the former Cantrell Field Airport; and

Whereas, this analysis identified a need to improve traffic operations at the interchange of Interstate 40 and Highway 64; and

Whereas, the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (the Department) is willing to handle all phases of the project; and

Whereas, the City of Conway (the City) will be responsible for relocating city owned utilities, and for providing \$2.0 million of project costs for matching funds for this project and the Dave Ward Drive project as described in Minute Orders 2014-080 and 2014-081 contingent upon the successful rededication of the city's sales tax and outstanding bond issue on September 9, 2014; and

Whereas, it is recognized that significant changes to the estimated construction cost or project design may necessitate adjustments to the project termini or to the funds committed to complete the projects as originally proposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION I: The City will participate in accordance with its designated responsibilities in this project contingent upon the city's successful sales tax rededication and bond issue and also agreeing to cover the Department's engineering and design expenses on the Dave Ward Drive project incurred prior to the September 9, 2014 vote in the advent of an unsuccessful rededication.

SECTION II: The Mayor or his designated representative is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate agreements and contracts necessary to expedite the construction of this project.

SECTION III: The City pledges its full support and hereby requests that the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department initiate action to implement this project.

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 22nd day of July, 2014.

Attest:

Michael O. Garrett City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: and

Mayor Tab Townsel