

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH WISE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON AGING FOR TITLE III FEDERAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Area Agency on Aging for State Planning Region 4A by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC); and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is entrusted to allocate federal and state funds distributed through HHSC for nutrition and transportation services; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG recently issued a Call for Projects for these services for Fiscal Years 2025-2029 and did not receive any responsive applications from agencies with capacity to serve Wise County; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG considers nutrition and transportation services to be essential in nature; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has an Agreement for Title III Federal Services (Agreement) with Wise County Committee on Aging that will terminate September 30, 2024; and

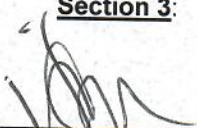
WHEREAS, NCTCOG wishes to extend its Agreement with Wise County Committee on Aging through December 31, 2024, so that it may issue another Call for Projects and obtain Board authorization to enter into a new agreement with the successful applicant(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

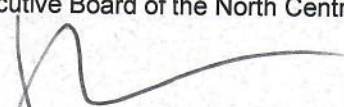
Section 1: A contract extension between NCTCOG and Wise County Committee on Aging for Title III Federal Services, with a revised term ending December 31, 2024, be and is hereby approved.

Section 2: The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out the initiatives described herein, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Section 3: This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.


Victoria Johnson, Vice President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that the resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 26, 2024.


Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR ROAD AND HIGHWAY ASSET MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals (RFP) #2024-096 for Road and Highway Asset Management Software was advertised and proposals received on July 29, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, proposals were evaluated by a committee comprised of NCTCOG and member agency staff; and,

WHEREAS, following evaluation, it is recommended that contracts be awarded to Blynscy Inc., GoodRoads, Inc., and Vialytics Americas, Inc.; and,

WHEREAS, the contracts are intended to be utilized by NCTCOG, its member governments and other participating entities as part of NCTCOG's Cooperative Purchasing Program; and,


WHEREAS, NCTCOG has complied with federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings for this procurement #2024-096.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Contracts between NCTCOG and Blynscy, Inc., Goodroads, Inc. and Vialytics Americas, Inc., for Road and Highway Asset Management Software Services, for maximum five (5) year terms, be and are hereby approved.


Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out this program, including agreements with member governments and other entities wishing to participate in NCTCOG's TXShare Cooperative Purchasing Program, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

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RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE FY25 CONTRACT RENEWAL AMENDMENT WITH THE STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION OFFICE

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been active for the last 50 years in bringing together North Central Texas (NCT) governmental and quasi-governmental organizations to share best practices, lessons learned and resources to ease the burden of developing and supporting sustainability initiatives; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG's Regional Energy Management Program seeks to provide education and resources on energy management and energy efficiency; and,

WHEREAS, the State Energy Conservation Office initially issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on July 28, 2022, for Regional Energy Management Assistance for the Regional Energy Management Program; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG submitted a response to the RFP on August 22, 2022, and was awarded a contract for a performance period of 1-year in FY23 with option for two (2) one-year renewals, the first of which was exercised on September 7, 2023, and;

WHEREAS, NCTCOG submitted a contract renewal amendment with SECO on August 30, 2024 for FY25 and is seeking NCTCOG Executive Board endorsement.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board endorses the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 contract renewal amendment and the receipt of approximately \$250,000 from the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO). Matching funds in the amount of \$50,000 will be provided through in-kind and cash match.

Section 2. These funds shall be incorporated into the 2025 fiscal year budget.

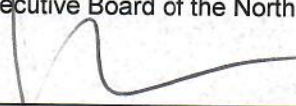
Section 3. The Executive Director or designee is the authorized representative for purposes of furnishing such information and executing such documents as may be required in connection with the preparation and filing of such application for financial assistance and the rules of the State Energy Conservation Office, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Section 4. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.



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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH HIGHLAND ECONOMICS LLC FOR THE TRANSPORTATION AND STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been active for the last 50 years in promoting sound floodplain and watershed management; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG's Strategic Plan directs staff to identify and implement regional measures for a reduction of flooding through proper management of watersheds and stream corridors, and strategic conservation of open spaces within existing watersheds which will provide a network for ecological benefits, recreational opportunities, and the protection of existing water supply sources; and,

WHEREAS, the Integrated Watershed Based Planning for Regional Transportation and Stormwater Management in the Upper Trinity River Basin Project (i.e., Integrated Transportation and Stormwater Management Project) seeks to proactively engage communities in comprehensive planning efforts that integrate transportation, environmental, and stormwater needs in order to address the health, safety, and welfare concerns of the region while helping local governments manage their growth and development in a cost-effective manner; and,

WHEREAS, Community Development Block Grant mitigation funds were available in Presidentially Declared Areas for Texas following floods in 2015 and 2016; and,

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2023, the Executive Board endorsed submittal of the grant application and receipt of approximately \$4,000,000 from the Texas General Land Office to support the Integrated Transportation and Stormwater Management Project; and,

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2024, the Texas General Land Office executed a grant agreement to provide financial assistance in the amount not-to-exceed \$3,973,930 to NCTCOG to finance a Community Development Block Grant mitigation project; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG issued a Request for Proposals for environmental economics services on July 12, 2024, to receive qualified responses from environmental economics consulting firms to assist with environmental economic analyses and, following evaluation, the Evaluation Committee is recommending Highland Economics LLC; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has complied with federal and state regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. A contract between NCTCOG and Highland Economics LLC for environmental economics consulting services supporting the expansion of the integrated Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure (TSI) project, in an amount not to exceed \$132,000, be and is hereby approved.

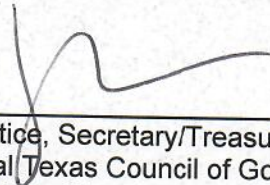
Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out the initiatives described herein, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

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RESOLUTION ENDORSING GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTAL TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE COMPOSTING FOOD WASTE REDUCTION GRANT OPPORTUNITY

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as state-designated planning agency for municipal solid waste in the 16-county region by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG's Regional Solid Waste Management Plan directs staff to Support Materials Management Education and Training; Promote Creation and Expansion of Waste Management Programs; Measure Regional Waste Reduction Efforts; Support and Encourage Innovative Technologies for Other Waste; Promote Public and Private Sector Partnerships; and,

WHEREAS, the Composting and Food Waste Reduction (CFWR) Pilot Project seeks to proactively engage communities in comprehensive planning efforts that reduce municipal food and waste, divert commercial food waste from landfills, generate compost, increase local agricultural producers access to compost, and encourage waste management and permaculture business development to address the health, safety, and welfare concerns of the region while helping local governments manage their growth and development in a cost effective manner; and,

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued a request for abridged applications to the CFWR Pilot Program Grant on June 9, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG is eligible to apply for assistance to the USDA as a special district government (e.g. regional planning districts, landfill districts, etc.); and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG submitted an abridged application to the USDA on September 9, 2024, requesting funding in the amount of \$300,000, with \$75,000 local match provided by regional participants' contributions; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is seeking NCTCOG Executive Board endorsement of its grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** The Executive Board endorses NCTCOG's USDA Composting and Food Waste Reduction (CFWR) Pilot Project Grant application.
- Section 2.** If awarded, the Executive Board authorizes receipt of approximately \$300,000 from the USDA. These funds will be incorporated into the appropriate fiscal year(s) budget. Required local match funds in the amount of \$75,000 will be provided by the regional participants.
- Section 3.** Executive Director or designee is the authorized representative for purposes of furnishing such information and executing such documents as may be required in connection with the preparation and filing of such application for financial assistance and the rules of the USDA, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.
- Section 4.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.



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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FY2025 PURCHASE OF COMPUTER HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONTRACT SERVICES FOR THE AGENCY

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,


WHEREAS, NCTCOG staff annually reviews and determines anticipated computer hardware, software and information technology contract services needs for the upcoming year; and,

WHEREAS, the FY2025 purchase of Computer Hardware, Software and Information Technology Contract Services is contained in Attachment A and is recommended for Executive Board approval; and,


WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments will comply with federal and state regulations regarding contracting and procurement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** The NCTCOG Executive Board authorizes the purchase of Computer Hardware, Software and Information Technology Contract Services, consistent with Attachment A, in an amount not to exceed \$3,473,000.
- Section 2.** The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute contractual agreements consistent with Attachment A, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.
- Section 3.** The Executive Director or designee is authorized to increase contract amounts for purchase categories in Attachment A, up to a maximum of twenty-five percent (25%), subject to the total authorized amount contained in Section 1.
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Attachment A

#	Category	Vendor(s)	Costs
1	Client Devices and Accessories: Includes the cost of all printers, scanners, computers, tablets, monitors, headsets, accessories, and associated warranties. These items are typically purchased off a cooperative purchasing contract.	CDWG, Dell, SHI	\$600,000
2	Client Productivity Software and Software as a Service (SaaS): Includes the cost of client productivity and collaboration software or software as a service. This includes Adobe, Smartsheet, Zoom, Docusign, and other SaaS or productivity software. These items are typically purchased off a cooperative purchasing contract.	Carahsoft, Cartovista, CDWG, Echo360, Insight, MainMicro, Quark Software, SHI	\$400,000
3	Network, Internet, and Associated Services: Includes the cost of equipment for the network routers, switches, firewalls, access points, and data network equipment and associated warranties and software maintenance. These items are typically purchased off a cooperative purchasing contract.	CDWG, Flair Data Systems	\$150,000
4	Data Center and Infrastructure Equipment: Includes the cost of replacing, upgrading, or purchasing new data center server, storage, and data protection equipment, including any warranties or software maintenance contracts. These items are typically purchased off a cooperative purchasing contract.	CDWG, FreeIT	\$275,000
5	Cabling and Wiring Services: Includes the cost of cabling services, installing patch panels and equipment racks, and testing existing cabling and wiring. This will be purchased off a cooperative purchasing contract.	NCS	\$150,000
6	Internet, Telephone, and Wide Area Network Services: Includes the cost for Internet and telephone connectivity for the Agency and the cost of the wide area network connectivity required for the Workforce Department. This will be purchased off a cooperative purchasing contract.	TxDIR	\$225,000
7	Financial System Software Maintenance: Includes the maintenance of Deltek financial software. This is a sole source purchase.	Deltek	\$165,000
8	Transportation Modeling Software: Includes the maintenance of Caliper Transcad Modeling and add-ons software. This is a sole source purchase.	Caliper	\$78,000
9	Website Licensing and Support: Includes the cost of licensing and related services for the main NCTCOG website and other websites on the Kentico platform. This will be purchased off a cooperative purchasing contract.	SHI	\$70,000
10	Security Software, Services, and Hardware: Includes funds for the maintenance, support, and associated services for security hardware and software. Typically purchased off a cooperative purchasing agreement.	Carahsoft, ePlus, General Datatech, Kudelski Security, Optiv, SHI	\$460,000
11	Unified Communications Software, Hardware, and Services: Includes the cost of services, hardware, and subscriptions for our Unified Communications as a Service (UCaaS) phone system and associated services, including recording, contact center, and add-ons. Typically purchased off of a cooperative purchasing agreement with a 36-month term.	Ring Central	\$900,000
		TOTAL AUTHORIZATIONS:	\$3,473,000

RESOLUTION ENDORSING SUBMITTAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 RAILROAD CROSSING ELIMINATION PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Dallas-Fort Worth region is in nonattainment of the federal air quality standard for ozone and NCTCOG is actively involved in the development and implementation of the State Implementation Plan for air quality; and,

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) includes project development, technical support for transportation corridors, and surface access to aviation planning; and,

WHEREAS, in July 2024, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) announced the solicitation of projects for the FY 2023-24 Railroad Crossing Elimination Program (RCEP); and,

WHEREAS, on September 12, 2024, the RTC approved submittal of an application for a total of \$20,000,000 in funding under the FY 2023-2024 RCEP, as well as participation in application development and funding assistance for other projects submitted by partnering agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board endorses submittal of the FY 2023-2024 RCEP application to the FRA in the amount of \$20,000,000, as detailed in Attachment 1.


Section 2. The Executive Board instructs staff to work with FRA and partner agencies to determine the most efficient methods to bring those funds to the region, with intention for TxDOT to be the implementing agent for the project submitted by NCTCOG, as specified in the appropriate application.

Section 3. NCTCOG is authorized to receive approximately \$20,000,000 in FY 2023-2024 RCEP funds, subject to Section 2.

Section 4. These funds shall be incorporated into the appropriate FY budgets, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), and other planning/administrative documents.

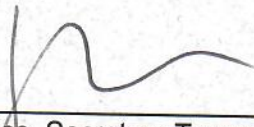
Section 5. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of NCTCOG to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 6. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.



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FY 2023-24 Railroad Crossing Elimination Program (RCEP) – Project Details

PROJECT			COST / FUNDING STATUS						
TITLE	NEW	E / W	NON-FEDERAL			FEDERAL			TOTAL COST
			NCTCOG City / County	Other Public	Private (Rail) *	NCTCOG	Other	RCEP Grant	
SUBMITTED BY NCTCOG									
Ennis Avenue <i>(Business US 287)</i>	Yes	East	\$7,000,000 ¹	\$12,360,000 <i>(TxDOT)²</i>	\$2,000,000 <i>(UPRR)</i>	\$21,440,000 ³	\$2,000,000 <i>(TxDOT)⁴</i>	\$20,000,000	\$64,800,000

* Railroad contributions to be confirmed.

1. City of Ennis - \$7M (+ \$5M NCTCOG loan to be repaid by the City, not counted in total)
2. State matching funds and State right-of-way (ROW) funds
3. Category 2 & Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds
4. District Discretionary (Category 11 funds)



FY 2023-24 Railroad Crossing Elimination Program (RCEP) – Project Details

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TITLE	NEW	E / W	NON-FEDERAL			FEDERAL			TOTAL COST
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SUBMITTED BY NCTCOG									
Ennis Avenue (Business US 287)	Yes	East	\$7,000,000 ¹	\$12,360,000 (TxDOT) ²	\$2,000,000 (UPRR)	\$21,440,000 ³	\$2,000,000 (TxDOT) ⁴	\$20,000,000	\$64,800,000
SUBMITTED BY OTHERS									
Bonds Ranch Road	Yes	West	\$27,000,000 ⁵	\$15,000,000 (TxDOT) ⁶	\$6,000,000 (BNSF / UPRR)	\$20,000,000 ⁷	N/A	\$38,000,000	\$106,000,000
Prairie Creek Road	No	East	\$12,691,590 ⁸	N/A	\$1,500,000 (UPRR)	\$5,322,653 ⁹	\$1,602,360 (Earmark)	\$15,138,299	\$36,254,902

* Railroad contributions to be confirmed.

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| 1. City of Ennis - \$7M (+ \$5M NCTCOG loan to be repaid by the City, not counted in total) | 6. State matching funds |
| 2. State matching funds and State right-of-way (ROW) funds | 7. STBG funds |
| 3. Category 2 & Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds | 8. City of Dallas - \$9,450,590; Dallas County - \$3,241,000 |
| 4. District Discretionary (Category 11 funds) | 9. Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) funds |
| 5. City of Fort Worth, Tarrant County, & Regional Toll Revenue (RTR) - \$9,000,000 each | |



RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH AVI-SPL FOR THE PURCHASE, MAINTENANCE, AND MONITORING OF AUDIO/VIDEO EQUIPMENT IN THE TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL ROOM

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

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WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG staff has identified the need to replace outdated audio/visual equipment in the Transportation Council Room; and,

WHEREAS, Subtask 1.04 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program includes activities related to Computer and Audio/Video resources, which supports audio and visual activities for meetings including equipment maintenance; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed vendor, AVI-SPL, is available through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) cooperative purchasing contract # 230901; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has complied with Federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. A contract between NCTCOG and AVI-SPL for the purchase of audio/visual equipment, including ongoing support for a three-year period in an amount not to exceed \$260,000, be and is hereby approved.

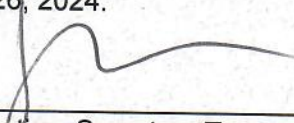
Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements with AVI-SPL to carry out this initiative in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

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Councilmember, City of Burleson

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE AND PLACEMENT OF EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS FOR TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVES IN FISCAL YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

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WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Dallas-Fort Worth region is in nonattainment of the federal air quality standard for ozone and NCTCOG is actively involved in the development and implementation of the State Implementation Plan for air quality; and,

WHEREAS, there has been significant regional interest to enhance coordination, communication, and awareness of various programs administered by NCTCOG; and,


WHEREAS, it has become beneficial for various NCTCOG Transportation Department program areas to administer and coordinate multimedia education campaigns in an effort to reach all audiences efficiently, effectively, and responsibly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

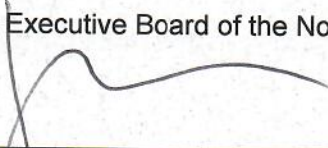
Section 1. NCTCOG is authorized to enter into agreements with various multimedia outlets for the purchase and placement of education campaigns initiated in Fiscal Year 2025 for Transportation Department Initiatives in an amount up to \$1,779,750, as reflected in Attachment 1.

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

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Purchase and Placement of Education Campaigns for Transportation Initiatives for FY2025					
Program Name	Funding Source	Funding Amount	Match Source	Match Total	Total
Public Involvement	TPF/STBG/ EPA/RTR/RTC Local/FHWA/ Private	\$ 359,500	TDCs/Local/ Private	71,550	\$ 385,750
Drive Aware North Texas (SAFETY)	STBG	\$ 300,000	TDCs	60,000	\$ 300,000
Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety (Look Out Texans) (SAFETY)	STBG	\$ 405,000	TDCs	81,000	\$ 405,000
Unmanned Aircraft Safety (SAFETY)	RTC Local	\$ 4,000	N/A	-	\$ 4,000
Freight North Texas (SAFETY)	STBG	\$ 150,000	TDCs	30,000	\$ 150,000
Congestion Management Program (CONGESTION RELIEF)	STBG	\$ 250,000	TDCs	50,000	\$ 250,000
Ozone Season Emissions Reduction Campaign (Air North Texas) (AIR QUALITY)	STBG	\$ 205,000	TDCs	41,000	\$ 205,000
Car Care Awareness (AIR QUALITY)	STBG	\$ 40,000	TDCs	8,000	\$ 40,000
Flexible Funding*	STBG/CMAQ/ TPF/FTA/RTR/ LOCAL/RTC LOCAL/FHWA	\$ 40,000	TDCs/TBD	10,000	\$ 40,000
OVERALL TOTAL		\$ 1,753,500		351,550	\$ 1,779,750

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF FORT WORTH TO IMPLEMENT BROADBAND TECHNOLOGY ALONG THE EAST ROSEDALE AVENUE AND EAST LANCASTER AVENUE CORRIDORS

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Dallas-Fort Worth region is in nonattainment of the federal air quality standard for ozone and NCTCOG is actively involved in the development and implementation of the State Implementation Plan for air quality; and,

WHEREAS Subtask 5.10 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program supports the coordination and assistance to local partners in their effort to expand and improve broadband access; and,

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2022, the RTC approved a total of \$3 million in funding in Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funding for the Fort Worth Broadband Project; and,

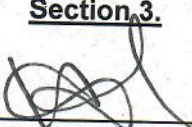
WHEREAS, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, provides authority for NCTCOG to enter into agreements with the City of Fort Worth for the provision of governmental functions and services of mutual interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. NCTCOG is authorized to enter into an Agreement with the City of Fort Worth to implement broadband technology along East Rosedale Avenue and East Lancaster Avenue corridors in an amount not to exceed the \$3,000,000 in Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds.


Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.



Victoria Johnson, Vice President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 26, 2024.



Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL LOCAL FUNDS FOR NORTH TEXAS ADVANCED AIR MOBILITY AND UNCREWED AVIATION SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

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WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, since 2017, NCTCOG has collaborated with regional cities and stakeholders on integrating Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Technologies and Uncrewed Aviation Systems; and,

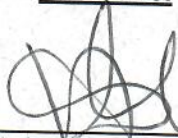
WHEREAS, on September 12, 2024, the RTC approved the allocation of \$1,700,000 in RTC Local funds to support staffing resources, Phase 2 of the North Texas Airspace Awareness Pilot, infrastructure development, and other costs associated with AAM and Uncrewed Aviation Systems operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** The NCTCOG Executive Board authorizes the use of \$1,700,000 in RTC Local funds to support the continued efforts in Advanced Air Mobility and Uncrewed Aviation Systems within North Texas.
- Section 2.** NCTCOG is authorized to use these funds for staffing, infrastructure development, and other necessary costs associated with the development and deployment of AAM technologies and uncrewed systems.
- Section 3.** These funds shall be incorporated into the appropriate fiscal year budgets, Transportation Improvement Program, and Unified Planning Work Program.

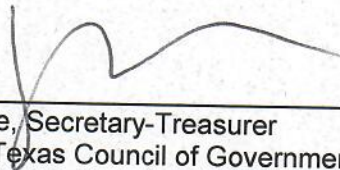
Section 4. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 5. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.



Victoria Johnson, Vice President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

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Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson

**CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ANNUAL FISCAL PROGRAM FOR FY2025
AND CONSIDER A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE ANNUAL FISCAL PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments' Bylaws require the approval and adoption of an annual budget by the Executive Board; and,

WHEREAS, the budget is funded by federal and state programs and local contracts for services requested by member governments; and,

WHEREAS, these individual grants and contracts control funding and expenditure amounts; and,

WHEREAS, the budget is comprised of programs and initiatives approved by the Executive Board and is amended throughout the year to reflect new and revised programs and initiatives; and,

WHEREAS, the budget has been presented to the Executive Board and a public hearing held for comments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** The North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board approves and adopts the FY2025 Annual Fiscal Program in the amount of \$329,801,532.
- Section 2.** The Executive Director and designees are authorized to receive federal, state, and local funding for FY2025.
- Section 3.** The Executive Director and designees are authorized to approve and accept any and all funding revisions for ongoing programs.
- Section 4.** The Executive Director and designees are authorized to approve and accept funding for new programs subject to Executive Board approval or ratification.
- Section 5.** The Executive Director and designees are authorized to transfer funds between programs and line items as necessary as allowed by applicable state and federal laws, regulations, and grant requirements.
- Section 6.** The Executive Director and designees are authorized to administer and update the Council of Governments Salary Schedules for classified positions in compliance with Section 391.0117(b) of the Local Government Code.
- Section 7.** The Executive Director and designees are authorized to execute contracts for goods and services up to \$100,000 and to equip and provide facilities as allowed by applicable state and federal laws, regulations, and grant requirements.

Section 8. The Executive Director and designees are authorized to execute contracts for goods and services as approved and funded by the Public Employees Benefits Cooperative (PEBC) Board or the NCT9-1-1 Board.

Section 9. This resolution shall be in effect as of October 1, 2024.



Victoria Johnson, Vice President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

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Jennifer Justice, Secretary/Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH HNTB CORPORATION TO COMPLETE THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT PROCESS FOR THE DALLAS TO FORT WORTH HIGH-SPEED TRANSPORTATION CONNECTIONS STUDY

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and nonprofit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by, and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

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WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Dallas-Fort Worth region is in nonattainment of the federal air quality standard for ozone and NCTCOG is actively involved in the development and implementation of the State Implementation Plan for air quality; and,

WHEREAS, Subtask 5.01 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program (Unified Planning Work Program) for regional transportation planning provides for conducting high-speed rail planning studies; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG initiated a Request for Proposals to hire a consultant to conduct a high-speed transportation connections planning study for the Dallas-Fort Worth region; and,

WHEREAS, the Executive Board authorized NCTCOG to enter into a contract with HNTB Corporation on April 23, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$11,000,000 of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funds, and a contract was executed on May 13, 2020, to conduct a phased approach subject to the availability of programmed funding for the high-speed transportation connections planning study; and,

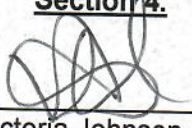
WHEREAS, on January 25, 2024, the Executive Board authorized NCTCOG to amend the contract with HNTB Corporation to add \$1,099,657 in STBG funds to support tunneling expertise and development of alternative alignments in coordination with project stakeholders to advance the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process; and,

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2024, the City of Dallas approved City Council Resolution 24-1978 stating that the City Council does not support construction of any above ground rail lines through the Downtown, Uptown, and Victory Park areas of Dallas except for streetcar expansion projects currently under consideration and that the City Council will reconsider the Dallas to Fort Worth high-speed rail alignment upon completion of the economic impact study; and,

WHEREAS, on August 8, 2024, the RTC approved \$1,650,343 in STBG funds to advance engineering and stakeholder engagement on an alternative alignment concept west of downtown Dallas by HNTB Corporation, responding to the City of Dallas resolution while still advancing the opportunity for a "one-seat" ride through the environmentally approved Dallas high-speed rail station. The additional funding allows HNTB Corporation to complete the NEPA process as required by the study contract and to maintain the targeted Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation rate per the contract.

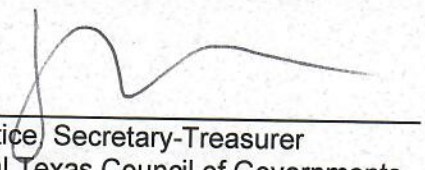
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** An amendment to the contract between NCTCOG and HNTB Corporation to add an additional \$1,650,343 in STBG funds to the current not-to-exceed amount of \$12,099,657 for a new total contract not-to-exceed amount of \$13,750,000, be and is hereby approved.
- Section 2.** These funds shall be incorporated into the appropriate FY budgets, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), UPWP, and other planning/administrative documents.
- Section 3.** The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute a contract amendment with HNTB Corporation in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments as described herein.
- Section 4.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.



Victoria Johnson, Vice President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

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