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May 13, 2016

Mr. James T. Barfield
District Three Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation
Highway 90 East
Chipley, FL 32428-0607

Dear Mr. Barfield:

Enclosed, please find a certified copy of Resolution No. 19-16, adopted by the Pensacola City Council on Thursday, May 12, 2016, expressing support for the construction and operation of a unified Advanced Traffic Management System and a Regional Transportation Management Center for Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, the City of Pensacola, the City of Milton, and the City of Gulf Breeze.

The development and implementation of the regional ITS/ATMS will help improve public safety, reduce fuel consumption, reduce traffic congestion, and streamline communication and interagency coordination.

Sincerely,

Charles L. Bare
President of City Council

RESOLUTION
NO. 19-16

A RESOLUTION
TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A UNIFIED ADVANCED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND A REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT CENTER FOR ESCAMBIA COUNTY, SANTA ROSA COUNTY, THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, THE CITY OF MILTON, AND THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) consists of advanced communication technologies integrated into transportation infrastructure such as traffic control systems, monitoring/detection subsystems, and motorist information designed to maximize the use of existing transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the ATMS includes computerized signal systems and certain Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) components, including communications and networking, traffic signals, dynamic message signs (DMS), closed-circuit television (CCTV) video monitoring, incident detection, data collection and monitoring system, traffic operations center, regional center-to-center communications, and a public information portal; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of an ATMS include improved safety, improved air quality mitigation, improved congestion mitigation, improved emergency response, improved regional growth adaptability, improved evacuations, improved system communications, improved cross-jurisdictional traffic flow, improved integration of transportation systems, improved regional security, improved transportation agency operations, and reduced operations and maintenance costs by providing capabilities to remotely troubleshoot hardware and traffic operations before sending a technician to a traffic signal; and

WHEREAS, the development of ITS components such as an ATMS, Advanced Traveler Information and Emergency Management Systems is an effective and efficient method to improve public safety, reduce fuel consumption, and reduce traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the Florida-Alabama TPO has established an ITS subcommittee comprised of technical staff from participating local agencies meeting monthly to provide oversight of the development and implementation of the regional ITS/ATMS improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation (Department) recently completed the implementation of the ATMS Phase I on Brent Lane from North Palafox Street to North 12th Avenue, on North Palafox from Brent Lane to East Fairfield Drive, and on East Fairfield Drive from North Palafox Street to North 12th Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Department funded and entered into a Joint Project Agreement (JPA) with the City of Pensacola to administer the development of the Escambia-Santa Rosa Regional ATMS

Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan project which will be a blueprint for the modernization of the signal systems within Escambia County and Santa Rosa County. The projected completion date of the Regional ATMS Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan project is spring of 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Department has encouraged the creation of a unified regional ATMS, and agreed to provide funding assistance for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the system; and

WHEREAS, the joint operation and maintenance of the ATMS at a regional Transportation Management Center (TMC) would provide enhanced safety by streamlining communication and interagency coordination; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council finds the above recitals to be true and correct and incorporate them herein by reference.

SECTION 2. That the City Council hereby expresses its support for the Department's administration of the design and construction of a regional ATMS and a regional TMC for Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, the City of Pensacola, the City of Milton, and the City of Gulf Breeze.

SECTION 3. That the City Council will endeavor to establish interagency cooperation and coordination for the joint development, operation, and maintenance of a regional TMC to operate the regional ATMS through a regional Transportation Management Team.

SECTION 4. That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to James T. Barfield, District Three Secretary, FDOT.

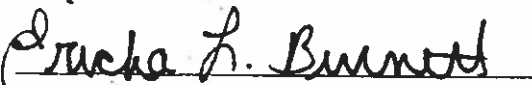
SECTION 5. This Resolution shall become effective on the fifth business day after the adoption, unless otherwise provided pursuant to Section 4.03(d) of the City Charter of the City of Pensacola.


Adopted: May 12, 2016

Approved: 

President of City Council

Attest:


City Clerk

I, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL THEREOF ON FILE IN MY OFFICE. WITNESS MY HAND AND THE CORPORATE SEAL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA THIS THE 13th DAY OF May, 2016

CITY CLERK
CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA