

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE 249 TOLL ROAD BEING COMPLETED FROM TOMBALL TO TODD MISSION

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY §

On the 13th day of June, 2017, at a duly posted and called meeting of the Commissioners Court of Montgomery County, Texas, on motion of Commissioner Riley, seconded by Commissioner Meador, duly put and carried:

WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road is critical to the economic growth of the region and I-45 has served as the economic development engine for Spring, The Woodlands, Conroe and Willis for the past 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Precincts 1 and 3 have the Interstate 45 corridor, Precinct 4 has the Interstate 59 corridor, and the time has come for Precinct 2 to have the 249 corridor; and

WHEREAS, sizeable highway improvements have a huge impact on communities by easing congestion, pollution, lower commuter times, increase safety and save commuters time and money; and

WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road would be beneficial to the community by stimulating growth and the economy by bringing in commerce and creating jobs which would ultimately generate millions of dollars in sales tax; and

WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road project makes sense for Montgomery County as well as other communities and will be proven effective in solving transportation and infrastructure gaps in communities that are financially strapped and geographically challenged and have major disparities between their resident populations and the number of people and vehicles regularly using the roadways; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County desires the 249 Toll Road construction project be completed; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Commissioners support a timely completion of the 249 Toll Road from Harris County through Montgomery County to Highway 6 and authorize the Montgomery County Toll Road Authority to fund the construction of the road between Spring

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS, the following:

Montgomery County supports the 249 Toll Road construction project to be completed from Tomball to Todd Mission, to Highway 6, which will provide a new and vibrant economic corridor to and through western Montgomery County.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 13th day of June, 2017.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

Craig Doyal
CRAIG DOYAL, COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

Mark Turnbull
MARK TURNBULL, COUNTY CLERK



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WHEREAS, Montgomery County, situated in the middle of the Houston-Bryan/College Station SH 249 Corridor, is emerging as a strong economic development area; and

WHEREAS, safety, mobility and enhanced economic development opportunities are priorities for the County to assure a high quality of life and strong future for its residents, employees and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the SH 249 Corridor between Houston and Bryan/College Station is home to many important destinations, including George Bush Intercontinental Airport, Exxon World Headquarters, Texas Medical Center expansions, Houston and the Medical Complex, Texas A&M University and the new National Bio-Security Center which is planned to be completed by the end of 2014; and

WHEREAS, the SH 249 Corridor is poised to be designated as a much-needed major hurricane evacuation route for the region; and

WHEREAS, efforts are underway by TxDOT, Harris County Toll Road Authority and Montgomery County Toll Road Authority to develop schematic design and environmental documentation, construction design and/or corridor preservation on portions of the SH 249 Corridor between Spring Cypress Road in North Houston and FM 1774 in Todd Mission; and

WHEREAS, the continued development of SH 249 between Pinehurst and Navasota will support the regional and statewide goals of improved safety, increased mobility and economic development opportunities; and

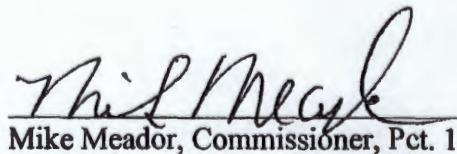
WHEREAS, development of the SH 249 Corridor between Houston and Bryan/College Station has the support of elected officials, chambers and economic development groups, community leaders and landowners along the corridor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commissioners Court of Montgomery County, Texas, supports the continued development of the SH 249 Corridor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Montgomery County Commissioners Court urges the Texas Department of Transportation to continue its efforts to develop, fund and construct improvements along the SH 249 Corridor between FM 1774 in Pinehurst and Highway 6 in Navasota as expeditiously as possible.

SIGNED THIS 20th DAY OF May, 2013.

Alan B. Sadler, County Judge


Mike Meador, Commissioner, Pct. 1


James Noack, Commissioner, Pct. 3

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREATER MAGNOLIA PARKWAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, MAGNOLIA, TEXAS, SUPPORTING THE 249 TOLL ROAD BEING COMPLETED FROM TOMBALL TO TODD MISSION.

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WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road is critical to the economic growth of the region and I-45 has served as the Economic development engine for Spring, The Woodlands, Conroe and Willis, for the past 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Precincts 1 and 3 have the Interstate 45 corridor, Precinct 4 has the Interstate 59 corridor, and the time has come for Precinct 2 to have the 249 corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Magnolia Parkway Chamber of Commerce desires the 249 Toll Road construction project be adhered to as approved by Montgomery County Commissioners Court; and since the announcement of the 249 project, land development in West Montgomery County has soared; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Magnolia Parkway Chamber of Commerce urges the Montgomery County Commissioners to keep all the Citizens of Montgomery County in mind and facilitate a timely completion of the 249 Toll Road from Harris County through Montgomery County to Highway 6. And our

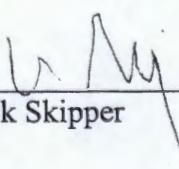
Commissioners authorize the Montgomery County Toll Road Authority to fund the Construction of the roadway between Spring Creek and Pinehurst thereby making it possible to complete the road and thereby making it possible to keep the revenues here, where it can be used throughout Montgomery County as needed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Greater Magnolia Parkway Chamber of Commerce supports the 249 Toll Road construction project to be completed from Tomball to Todd Mission, to Highway 6, which will provide a new and vibrant economic corridor to and through western Montgomery County.

PASSED AND APPROVED June 7, 2017.

GREATER MAGNOLIA PARKWAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE


Kendrick Skipper
Chair

RESOLUTION NO. R-2017-011

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
MAGNOLIA, TEXAS, SUPPORTING THE 249 TOLL ROAD BEING
COMPLETED FROM TOMBALL TO TODD MISSION.**

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WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road is critical to the economic growth of the region and I-45 has served as the economic development engine for Spring, The Woodlands, Conroe and Willis for the past 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Precincts 1 and 3 have the Interstate 45 corridor, Precinct 4 has the Interstate 59 corridor, and the time has come for Precinct 2 to have the 249 corridor; and

WHEREAS, sizeable highway improvements have a huge impact on communities by easing congestion, pollution, lower commuter times, increase safety and save commuters time and money; and

WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road would be beneficial to the community by stimulating growth and the economy by bringing in commerce and creating jobs which would ultimately generate millions of dollars in sales tax; and

WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road project makes sense for both the needs of the City of Magnolia and the County as well as other communities and will be proven effective in solving transportation and infrastructure gaps in communities that are financially strapped and geographically challenged and have major disparities between their resident populations and the number of people and vehicles regularly using the roadways; and

WHEREAS, the City of Magnolia desires the 249 Toll Road construction project be adhered to as approved by Montgomery County Commissioners Court; and since the announcement of the 249 project, land development in West Montgomery County has soared; and

WHEREAS, the City of Magnolia urges the Montgomery County Commissioners to keep all the citizens of Montgomery County in mind to facilitate a timely completion of the 249 Toll Road from Harris County through Montgomery County to Highway 6 and authorize the Montgomery County Toll Road Authority to fund the construction of the road between Spring Creek and Pinehurst thereby making it possible to complete the road to keep the revenues here where it can be used throughout Montgomery County as needed.

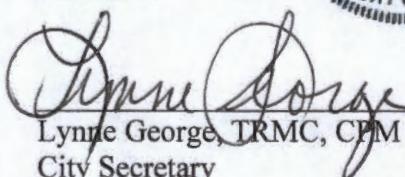
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The City of Magnolia supports the 249 Toll Road construction project to be completed from Tomball to Todd Mission, to Highway 6, which will provide a new and vibrant economic corridor to and through western Montgomery County.

PASSED AND APPROVED June 6, 2017.

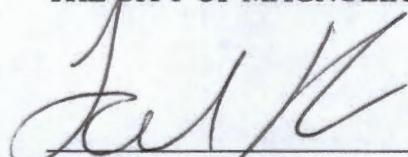


ATTEST:



Lynne George, TRMC, CFM
City Secretary

THE CITY OF MAGNOLIA



Todd Kana, Mayor

RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TODD MISSION,
TEXAS, SUPPORTING THE 249 TOLL ROAD BEING COMPLETED FROM
TOMBALL TO TODD MISSION.**

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WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road is critical to the economic growth of the region and I-45 has served as the economic development engine for Spring, The Woodlands, Conroe, and Willis for the past 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Precincts 1 and 3 have the Interstate 45 corridor, Precinct 4 has the Interstate 59 corridor, the time has come for Precinct 2 to have the 249 corridor; and

WHEREAS, sizeable highway improvements have a huge impact on communities by easing congestion, reducing commuter times, and increasing safety; and

WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road would be beneficial to the community by stimulating growth and the economy by bringing in commerce and creating jobs which would ultimately generate millions of dollars in sales tax; and

WHEREAS, the 249 Toll Road project will be effective in solving transportation and infrastructure gaps in communities that are economically and geographically challenged and have major disparities between their resident populations and the number of vehicles regularly using the roadways; and

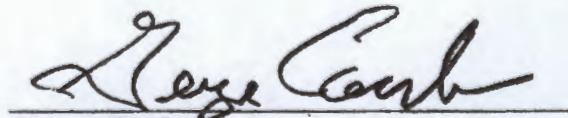
WHEREAS, the city of Todd Mission desires the 249 Toll Road construction project be adhered to as approved by Montgomery County Commissioners Court; and since the announcement of the 249 project, land development in west Montgomery County as well as Waller and Grimes Counties has soared; and

WHEREAS, the city of Todd Mission urges the Montgomery County Commissioners to keep all the citizens of the region in mind to facilitate a timely completion of the 249 Toll Road from Harris County through Montgomery County to Highway 6.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The city of Todd Mission supports the 249 Toll Road construction project to be completed from Tomball to Todd Mission to Highway 6, which will provide a new and vibrant economic corridor to and through western Montgomery, Waller, and Grimes Counties.

PASSED AND APPROVED June 9, 2017.


George Coulam

RESOLUTION NO. 552-13

CITY OF NAVASOTA SUPPORTS THE HIGHWAY 249 PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Navasota-Grimes County region, home to the Navasota Industrial Park, the Navasota Business Park, the recently expanded Navasota Municipal Airport, and the world-famous Navasota Blues Fest, is emerging as a strong economic development area; and

WHEREAS, safety, mobility and enhanced economic development opportunities are priorities for the region to assure a high quality of life and strong future for its residents, employees and visitors; and

WHEREAS, expanding the 249 corridor between Houston and Navasota will provide improved access from the Navasota-Grimes County region to Houston and the George Bush Intercontinental Airport, the Texas Medical Center expansions and Medical Complex; and improve the connection between Houston and Texas A&M University including the National Bio-Security Center; and

WHEREAS, the 249 corridor is poised to be designated as a much-needed major hurricane evacuation route for the region; and

WHEREAS, efforts are underway by TxDOT, and other entities to develop schematic design and environmental documentation, construction design and/or corridor preservation on portions of the 249 corridor between Spring Cypress Road in North Houston and FM 1774 in Todd Mission; and

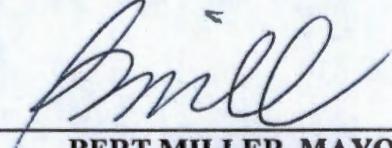
WHEREAS, the continued development of 249 between Pinehurst and Navasota will support the local, regional and Statewide goals of improved safety and regional connectivity, and increased economic development opportunities, and

WHEREAS, development of the 249 corridor between Navasota and Houston has the support of elected officials, chambers of commerce and economic development groups, and community leaders along the corridor;

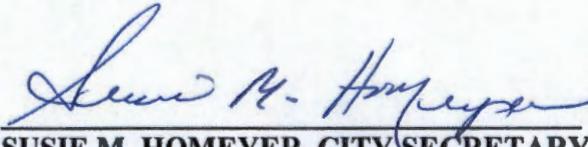
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council of the City of Navasota supports the continued development of the 249 corridor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Navasota urges the Texas Department of Transportation to continue its efforts to develop, fund and construct improvements along the 249 corridor between FM 1774 in Pinehurst and Highway 6 in Navasota as expeditiously as possible.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL, 2013.


BERT MILLER, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SUSIE M. HOMEYER, CITY SECRETARY





June 9, 2017

Charlie Riley
Montgomery County Commissioner, Precinct 2
19110 Unity Park Dr.
Magnolia, TX 77355

Commissioner Riley,

As General Manager of the Texas Renaissance Festival, I wish to make known our support for the building of Toll Road 249, which would extend from Tomball through to Highway 6.

For several years, the west Montgomery, Waller, and Grimes counties have been growing. Our Festival attendance is also increasing, with attendance over 600,000 annually. In 2017, we will be adding an additional ninth weekend, and so expect another 50,000 attendees.

There is also the potential for added fall Festival weekends and new events hosted at the Festival site throughout the year.

The additional highway lanes would enable traffic to flow more easily around our Festival, but also would ease congestion for the residents of the area, especially in Magnolia and its surrounding neighborhoods. With better traffic flow, Magnolia businesses would be able to operate normally throughout the months of October and November, area residents would be able to move about more freely, and emergency vehicles would be able to reach urgent destinations more efficiently. We also believe the toll should stay in Montgomery County to improve infrastructure for future growth.

Approximately 14,000 vehicles travel from Houston to TRF on a Festival day. That increased autumn traffic could generate significant toll revenue.

It is our hope that this project will move forward in a timely manner. Thank you for your consideration.

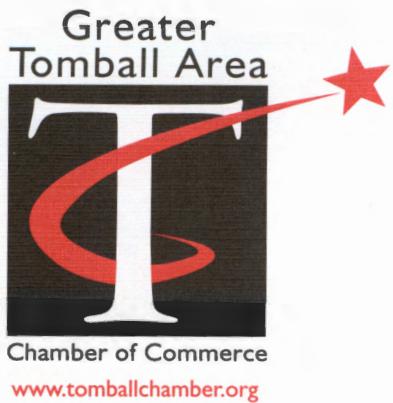
Regards,

A blue ink signature of the name "Terre Albert". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized "T" and "A".

Terre Albert

CEO and General Manager





June 13, 2017

Dear Montgomery County Commissioners Court Members:

As a founding partner of the 249 Partnership, along with the City of Magnolia and the City of Navasota, the Greater Tomball Area Chamber of Commerce (GTACC) is a long-standing supporter of the 249 Toll Road (Tomball Tollway) and its continued construction northward towards Grimes County.

Our region has experienced tremendous growth in recent years and is expected to exponentially grow in the future. The 249 Toll Road is a critical transportation corridor for that continued positive development. Several retail developments in the Tomball area were contingent on the completion of the 249 Toll Road and those developments have had a significantly positive impact on the sales tax base in Tomball. We understand that multiple subdivisions and commercial developments will also take place in the Greater Magnolia area because of the upcoming road construction in the region.

The 249 Toll Road in Tomball opened in April 2015, and exceeded usage expectations the first month by 20%. The traffic counts on the 249 Toll Road steadily rise on a monthly basis showing that growth is continuing in the area.

According to Texas Department of Transportation, travel on 249 from Harris to Montgomery County increased 6% from 2014 to 2015. As our area continues to grow, our citizens need more efficient roadways for their commutes. By completing the 249 Toll Road from Tomball to Todd Mission, commute times will decrease and quality of life will increase. This will also boost the economies of all communities along the roadway as people have more time, quicker access to shop local, and become more attractive for potential businesses and residents. And, while the GTACC does represent businesses, we do have a large number of individuals as members having no particular business interest, but rather the interest of the community at large.

The GTACC fully supports the continued efforts to see the construction of the 249 Toll Road to completion and will give Montgomery County new opportunities for growth and development.

Thank you for helping us support our region's economy as well as the safety of all those who travel to, and through, the area.

Sincerely,

Bruce E. Hillegeist
President