

**A JOINT RESOLUTION ADOPTING
MOBILITY 2040: THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR NORTH
CENTRAL TEXAS AND THE 2016 TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY DETERMINATION
FOR THE DALLAS-FORT WORTH TEN-COUNTY NONATTAINMENT AREA
(R16-01)**

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

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

WHEREAS, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) assigns the MPO the responsibility for developing and maintaining the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program and their periodic updates; and,

WHEREAS, the FAST Act requires the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program to include a financial plan to demonstrate the consistency of proposed transportation investments with available and projected sources of revenue; and,

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program were developed using the most recent federal guidance and applicable regulations; and,

WHEREAS, Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas was developed in cooperation with local governments, the Texas Department of Transportation, North Texas Tollway Authority, Dallas Area Rapid Transit, Fort Worth Transportation Authority, Denton County Transportation Authority, and other transportation agencies; and,

WHEREAS, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Executive Order 12898 mandate nondiscrimination and analysis of impacts to protected populations for all federally funded projects; and,

WHEREAS, the RTC's policy is to evaluate the benefits and burdens of transportation policies, programs, and plans to prevent disparate impacts and improve the decision-making process, resulting in a more equitable system; and,

WHEREAS, the FAST Act assigns the MPO the responsibility for carrying out the transportation conformity process in cooperation with the state and operators of publicly owned transit services; and,

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated the ten-county area of Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant, and Wise counties as moderate nonattainment under the 2008 8-hour National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the pollutant ozone, effective July 20, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, the current RTC Metropolitan Planning Area includes all of Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Hood, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant, and Wise counties; and,

WHEREAS, the FAST Act and the Clean Air Act regulations require information regarding the development of the Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas and the 2016 Transportation Conformity analysis be available for public comment according to the adopted MPO public participation plan; and,

WHEREAS, Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas and the 2016 Transportation Conformity have been recommended for adoption to the RTC by the NCTCOG Surface Transportation Technical Committee.

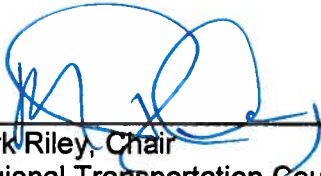
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** The Regional Transportation Council adopts Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas, including the “RTC Policy Position on Transit Implementation in the Cotton Belt Corridor (P16-01)” and the RTC Policy Bundle Initiative.
- Section 2.** The Regional Transportation Council approves the results of the 2016 Transportation Conformity, which demonstrates that implementation of Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas and appropriate Transportation Improvement Program will not cause any new violations of the air quality standard, increase the frequency or severity of violations of the standard, or delay timely attainment of the standard. This analysis uses the latest available information and the latest EPA-approved emissions estimation model. In addition, these results meet the requirements of the motor vehicle emissions budget test and demonstrating that Transportation Control Measures in approved State Implementation Plans are implemented in a timely fashion.
- Section 3.** The development of Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas utilized the most recent regional demographic projections as adopted by the NCTCOG Executive Board on May 28, 2015.
- Section 4.** The recommendations included in Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas meet financial constraint requirements and all federal nondiscrimination and Environmental Justice requirements and have no disproportionate impacts on protected populations.
- Section 5.** The Regional Transportation Council directs staff to appropriately amend other planning documents such as the Transportation Improvement Program and Unified Planning Work Program as needed to implement the policies, programs, and projects contained in Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas.
- Section 6.** The development of Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas and the 2016 Transportation Conformity was conducted in accordance with NCTCOG’s approved public participation plan, including presentation of draft recommendations and analysis results prior to Regional Transportation Council adoption.

Section 7. The latest public involvement information for the 2016 Transportation Conformity, including Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas, will be transmitted to the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Environmental Protection Agency, Texas Department of Transportation, and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.


Section 8. This resolution will be transmitted to the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Environmental Protection Agency, Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Dallas Area Rapid Transit, Fort Worth Transportation Authority, Denton County Transportation Authority, North Texas Tollway Authority, Collin County Toll Road Authority, and all impacted local governments.

Section 9. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.



Mark Riley, Chair
Regional Transportation Council
County Judge, Parker County

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Regional Transportation Council of the North Central Texas Council of Governments for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area on March 10, 2016



Rob Franke, P.E., Secretary
Regional Transportation Council
Mayor, City of Cedar Hill