

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE April 6, 2012

TO Members of the Transportation and Environment Committee:
Linda L. Koop (Chair), Sheffie Kadane (Vice Chair), Sandy Greyson,
Delia Jasso, Vonciel Jones Hill, Pauline Medrano

SUBJECT **Overview of SM Wright Phase I Memorandum of Understanding (Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge)**

On Monday, April 9th, Michael Morris will be attending the Committee Meeting to discuss in more detail the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Regional Transportation Council of the North Central Texas Council of Governments (RTC- NCTCOG) regarding SM Wright Phase I and the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge.

The City, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the RTC-NCTCOG have been working in partnership to expeditiously complete the S.M. Wright Project Phase I for the Trinity Parkway as well as the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge transportation improvements. Each organization has contributed funding to facilitate completion of these projects throughout the planning and construction phases.

The purpose of the MOU is to aid in the advancement of these regional transportation projects that impact Dallas. Specifically, this MOU utilizes a new source of funds for a funding partnership from the RTC-NCTCOG for activities including, but not limited to, real estate acquisitions, environmental remediation and utility relocations for S.M. Wright Project, Phase I of the Trinity Parkway. This funding partnership is equal to the estimated costs TxDOT believes will be necessary to close out the construction contract for the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge and SP 366 (Woodall Rodgers Freeway) Extension project for which the City of Dallas is responsible under the existing Interlocal Agreement.

This will authorize the City to enter into a MOU in which the RTC-NCTCOG will resume \$6.25 million of the financial commitment that the City agreed to contribute to the implementation of the Trinity Parkway in the 1999 Interlocal Agreement between TxDOT, North Texas Tollway Authority and the City. In return, this action authorizes the City to pay up to \$6.25 million for change orders related to the construction of the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge project, which by Interlocal Agreement with TxDOT, the City is obligated to pay.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jill A. Jordan'.

Jill A. Jordan, P.E.
Assistant City Manager

c: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
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