

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HIDALGO

2026RXXX
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT ON THIS ___ DAY OF _____ 2026, THE HIDALGO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT, CONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION, AND UPON THE REQUEST OF THE HIDALGO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS PLACED ON THE AGENDA OF THE SAID COURT FOR SUCH MEETING, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.041 ET. SEQ VERNON'S TEXAS CIVIL STATUTES (THE TEXAS OPEN MEETING ACT) TO BE CONSIDERED:

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AND IDENTIFY AS A PRIORITY IN HIDALGO COUNTY, THE NOLANA ROAD CORRIDOR, FROM WESTERN HIDALGO COUNTY AT FM 2221 (JARA CHINAS ROAD), EAST TO FM 88 (TEXAS BOULEVARD) IN THE CITY OF WESLACO, AS THE MOST IMPORTANT WEST TO EAST ROADWAY PROJECT IN HIDALGO COUNTY, TO THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (RGVMPO) AS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT A.

WHEREAS, THE RGVMPO RANKS AND PRIORITIZES TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS BASED ON CURRENT AND FUTURE MOBILITY NEEDS WITHIN THE URBANIZED RGVMPO BOUNDARY; AND

WHEREAS, HIDALGO COUNTY IS EXPERIENCING TRAFFIC CONGESTION SPECIFICALLY ON INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 2 (IH-2) AND STATE HIGHWAY 107 (SH 107) WEST/EAST CORRIDORS; AND

WHEREAS, THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY REGION AND THE RGVMPO ARE IN DIRE NEED OF WEST/EAST URBAN CORRIDORS TO RELIEVE CONGESTION FROM THE SMALLER URBAN ROADWAY NETWORK AND ULTIMATELY IH-2. CURRENTLY, THERE ARE NO CONTINUOUS URBAN ROADWAYS, SOUTH OF SH 107 AND NORTH OF IH-2, CONNECTING WESTERN HIDALGO COUNTY TO EASTERN HIDALGO COUNTY; AND

WHEREAS, HIDALGO COUNTY HAS BEEN DEVELOPING THE NOLANA ROAD CORRIDOR (EXHIBIT A) TO A 5-LANE URBAN ROADWAY, FROM WESTERN HIDALGO COUNTY AT FM 2221 (JARA CHINAS ROAD), EAST TO FM 88 (TEXAS BOULEVARD) IN THE CITY OF WESLACO (31.6 MILES), AND HAS ADVANCED THIS ADDED-CAPACITY PROJECT SUBSTANTIALLY ENOUGH TO ISSUE THIS RESOLUTION AND INFORM THE RGVMPO OF THE PROJECT'S IMPORTANCE IN RELIEVING CONGESTION WITHIN HIDALGO COUNTY,

IMPROVING ITS TRANSPORTATION NETWORK, AND FACILITATING THE MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE AND GOODS; AND

WHEREAS, CATEGORY 7 (CAT) FEDERAL FUNDS ARE ALLOCATED TO THE RGVMPPO FOR HIDALGO COUNTY AND THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AREA (TMA) BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ON AN ANNUAL BASIS DUE TO THEIR HIGH POPULATION DENSITIES; AND

WHEREAS, IT IS THE RGVMPPO POLICY BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY TO VOTE TO FUND THE MAJOR ROADWAY AND CORRIDOR PROJECTS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO THE REGION, SPECIFICALLY THOSE PROJECTS THAT HAVE ADVANCED IN THE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS; AND

WHEREAS, THE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR NOLANA ROAD CORRIDOR HAS ADVANCED AS FOLLOWS (WEST TO EAST):

- **NOLANA WEST:** MILE 3 NORTH ROAD, FROM FM 2221 (JARA CHINAS ROAD) IN WESTERN HIDALGO COUNTY TO TOM GIL ROAD (2.7 MILES) IN THE CITY OF PEÑITAS, IS UNDER DESIGN WITH \$9.59 MILLION ASSIGNED TO CONSTRUCTION AND RIGHT-OF-WAY (ROW) AND SCHEDULED FOR CONSTRUCTION IN FY 2033.
- **NOLANA WEST:** MILE 3 NORTH ROAD, FROM TOM GIL ROAD IN THE CITY OF PEÑITAS, EAST TO FM 2220 (WARE ROAD) IN THE CITY OF MCALLEN (12.3 MILES), IS COMPLETE OR UNDER CONSTRUCTION.
- **NOLANA CENTER:** NOLANA AVENUE, FROM FM 2220 (WARE ROAD) TO FM 1926 (23RD STREET) IN THE CITY OF MCALLEN (1.0 MILE), IS UNDER DESIGN AND SCHEDULED FOR CONSTRUCTION IN FY 2028.
- **NOLANA CENTER:** NOLANA LOOP, FROM FM 1926 (23RD STREET) IN THE CITY OF MCALLEN TO FM 907 (ALAMO ROAD) IN THE CITY OF ALAMO (7.7 MILES), IS COMPLETE OR UNDER CONSTRUCTION.
- **NOLANA EAST:** NOLANA LOOP, FROM FM 907 (ALAMO RD) IN THE CITY OF ALAMO, EAST TO FM 88 (TEXAS BOULEVARD) IN THE CITY OF WESLACO (7.9 MILES), IS UNDER DESIGN AND HAS RECEIVED ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) AND THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION (FHWA).

- NOLANA LOOP IS FUNCTIONALLY CLASSIFIED FOR 5.7 OF THE 7.9 MILES.
- HIDALGO COUNTY HAS EXECUTED AN ADVANCED FUNDING AGREEMENT (AFA) WITH TXDOT, WHICH AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY TO DEVELOP PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND ESTIMATES (PS&E) AND PERFORM ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES FOR THE ENTIRE 7.9 MILE LENGTH.
- THE RGVMPPO REMOVED THE AWARDED \$3.5 MILLION CAT FEDERAL FUNDS (ASSIGNED TO ROW) IN DECEMBER 2025 BASED ON THE FACT THAT THERE ARE NO CONSTRUCTION DOLLARS ASSIGNED TO THE PROJECT AND AN AFA HAS NOT BEEN EXECUTED WITH TXDOT FOR CONSTRUCTION.
- THE RGVMPPO HAS AWARDED \$4.0 MILLION CAT 7 FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NOLANA FROM FM 493 TO VICTORIA ROAD.
- CONGRESSMAN VICENTE GONZALES HAS OBTAINED AN AWARD OF \$4.0 MILLION IN HOUSING URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT IN THE FORM OF A FEDERAL EARMARK FROM THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, WISHES TO IDENTIFY AND PRIORITIZE HIDALGO COUNTY'S MOST IMPORTANT WEST/EAST CORRIDOR ROADWAY PROJECT "NOLANA ROAD FROM WESTERN HIDALGO COUNTY AT FM 2221 (JARA CHINAS ROAD), EAST TO FM 88 (TEXAS BOULEVARD) IN THE CITY OF WESLACO", TO THE RGVMPPO.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED ON THIS ___ DAY OF _____ 2026.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS

Richard F. Cortez
County Judge

David L. Fuentes
Commissioner Precinct 1

Eduardo "Eddie" Cantu
Commissioner Precinct 2

Everardo "Ever" Villareal
Commissioner Precinct 3

Ellie Torres
Commissioner Precinct 4

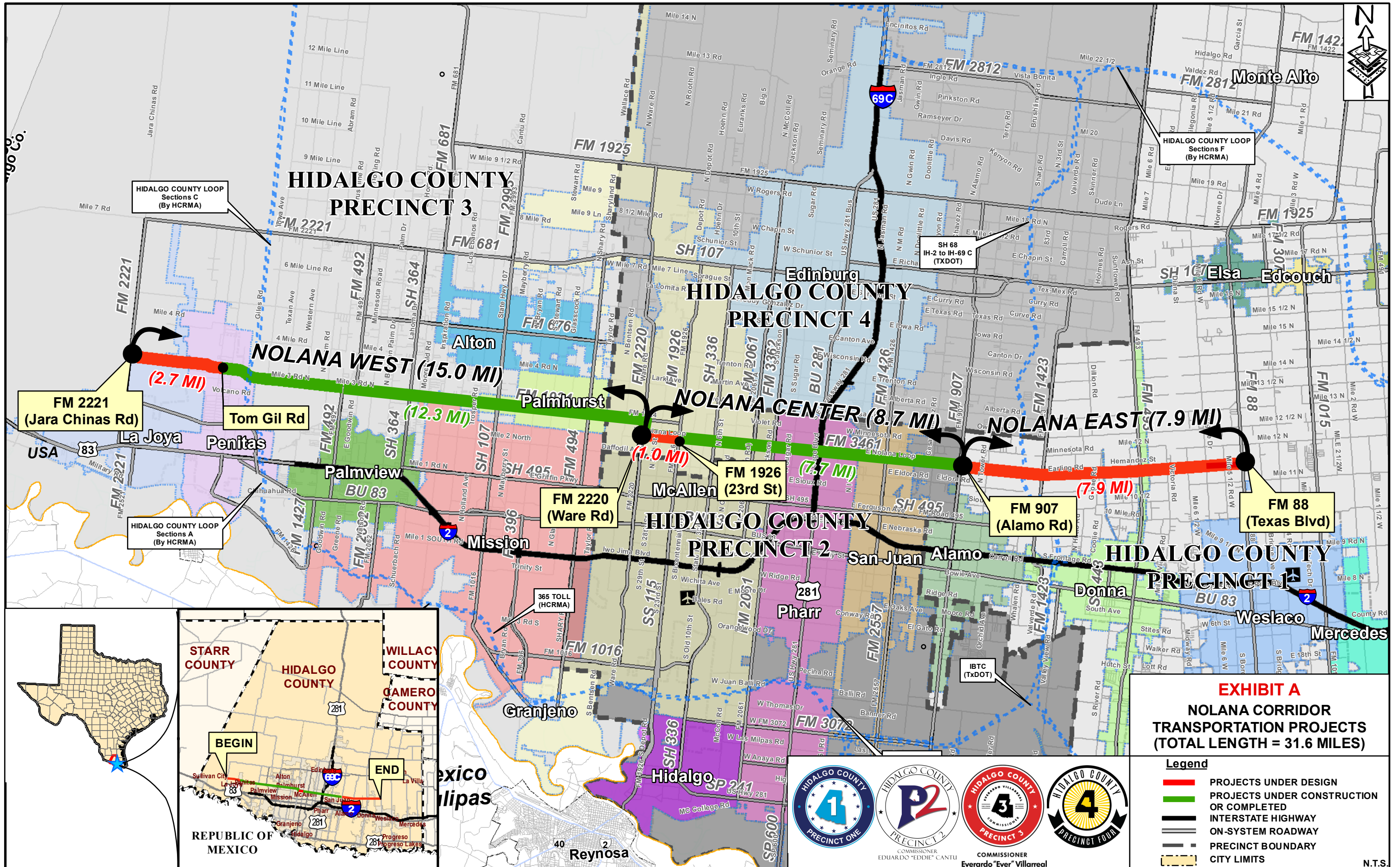


EXHIBIT A
NOLANA CORRIDOR
TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS
(TOTAL LENGTH = 31.6 MILES)

- Legend**
- █ PROJECTS UNDER DESIGN
 - █ PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR COMPLETED
 - █ INTERSTATE HIGHWAY
 - █ ON-SYSTEM ROADWAY
 - PRECINCT BOUNDARY
 - CITY LIMITS

