

STATE OF TEXAS

**THE COMMISSIONERS COURT
OF**

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENT that on this, the 8th day of March, 2016, the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas, met in duly called session at the Courthouse in Georgetown, Texas and at said meeting, among other business, the Court considered the following.

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, Williamson County desires to develop a corridor identified in the County's Long Range Plan as a transportation purpose corridor which is needed to relieve congestion, improve mobility and connectivity, and support local and regional economic development plans; AND

WHEREAS, the City of Round Rock has also identified this corridor for future transportation purposes; AND

WHEREAS, a portion of the corridor in Williamson County is former Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad right of way acquired by and currently owned by the Texas Department of Transportation; AND

WHEREAS, by the provisions set out in Section 202.021. of the Texas Transportation Code, the Texas Transportation Commission may determine that the right of way is no longer needed for a state highway purpose, in which case the Texas Department of Transportation shall transfer or sell the right of way to a governmental entity with the authority to condemn the property as the first priority; AND

WHEREAS, Williamson County is a governmental entity with the authority to condemn the property; AND

WHEREAS, Section 202.021. of the Texas Transportation Code contains provisions for the Texas Transportation Commission to waive payment for real property transferred to a governmental entity;

Now therefore, the Williamson County Commissioners Court does hereby request that the Texas Transportation Commission determine that the former MKT Railroad right of way in Williamson County owned by the Texas Department of Transportation be determined to no longer be needed for a state highway purpose and that the right of way be transferred to Williamson County at no cost to the County.

RESOLVED this 8th day of March 2016.

Dan A. Gattis, County Judge

Attest:

Nancy E. Rister, County Clerk