

RESOLUTION NUMBER #1365-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILTON, FLORIDA EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A UNIFIED ADVANCED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND A REGIONAL TRANSPORTION MANAGEMENT CENTER FOR ESCAMBIA COUNTY, SANTA ROSA COUNTY, THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, THE CITY OF MILTON, AND THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) consists of advanced communication technologies integrated into transportation infrastructure such as traffic control systems, monitoring/detection subsystems, and motorist information designed to maximize the use of existing transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the ATMS includes computerized signal systems and certain Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) components, including communications and networking, traffic signals, dynamic message signs (DMS), closed-circuit television (CCTV) video monitoring, incident detection, data collection and monitoring system, traffic operations center, regional center-to-center communications, and a public information portal; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of an ATMS include improved safety, improved air quality mitigation, improved congestion mitigation, improved emergency response, improved regional growth adaptability, improved evacuations, improved system communications, improved cross-jurisdictional traffic flow, improved integration of transportation systems, improved regional security, improved transportation agency operations, and reduced operations and maintenance costs by providing capabilities to remotely troubleshoot hardware and traffic operations before sending a technician to a traffic signal, and

WHEREAS, the development of ITS components such as an ATMS, Advanced Traveler Information, and Emergency Management Systems is an effective and efficient method to improve public safety, reduce fuel consumption, and reduce traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the Florida-Alabama Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) has designated the Escambia-Santa Rosa Regional ATMS Project as the number one priority in the TPO's Fiscal Year 2017 - 2021 Project Priority list; and

WHEREAS, the Florida-Alabama TPO has established an ITS subcommittee comprised of technical staff from participating local agencies meeting monthly to provide oversight of the development and implementation of the regional ITS /ATMS improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation (Department) recently completed the implementation of the ATMS Phase I on Brent Lane from North Palafox Street to North 12th Avenue, on North Palafox from Brent Lane to East Fairfield Drive, and on East Fairfield Drive from North Palafox Street to North 12th Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Department funded and entered into a Joint Project Agreement (JPA) with the City of Pensacola to administer the development of the Escambia-Santa Rosa Regional ATMS Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan project which will be a blueprint for the modernization of the signal systems within Escambia County and Santa Rosa County. The

projected completion date of the Regional ATMS Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan project is spring of 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Department has encouraged the creation of a unified regional ATMS, and agreed to provide funding assistance for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the system; and

WHEREAS, the joint operation and maintenance of the ATMS at a regional Transportation Management Center (TMC) would provide enhanced safety by streamlining communication and interagency coordination.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILTON, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the City Council finds the above recitals to be true and correct and incorporate them herein by reference.

Section 2. That the City Council hereby expresses its support for the Department's administration of the design and construction of a regional ATMS and a regional TMC for Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, the City of Pensacola, the City of Milton, and the City of Gulf Breeze .


Section 3. That the City Council will endeavor to establish interagency cooperation and coordination for the joint development, operation, and maintenance of a regional TMC to operate the regional ATMS through a regional Transportation Management Team.

Section 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Milton.

Section 5. That the City Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to James T. Barfield, District Three Secretary, FDOT.

ADOPTED this 12th day of April, 2016.

CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF MILTON, FLORIDA

By: 
Wesley Meiss, Mayor

ATTEST:


Dewitt Nobles, City Clerk

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