

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS  
IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S PROPOSAL  
TO BECOME A UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTION SMART  
CITY**

**WHEREAS**, Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) is among the most congested metropolitan areas in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), led by Secretary Anthony Foxx, is seeking proposals for the Beyond Traffic: The Smart City Challenge grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the Smart City Challenge encourages cities to put forward their best and most creative ideas for innovatively addressing the challenges they are facing. The vision of the Smart City Challenge is to demonstrate and evaluate a holistic, integrated approach to improving surface transportation performance within a city and integrating this approach with other smart domains such as public safety, public services, and energy.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Austin's round one proposal for this grant identifies the potential of the City of Pflugerville, a suburban city, as a Transit Access Hub outside the Capital Metro service area with potential for carpool electrification and mobility as a service and transit system extension demonstration site; and

**WHEREAS**, Project Connect, and its spinoff Project Connect North Corridor, which includes the City of Pflugerville, seeks to improve mobility in Central Texas with the extension of transit beyond the Capital Metro service area; and

**WHEREAS**, half the population of Williamson and Travis Counties will reside in the North Corridor by 2035. Four Central Austin zip codes comprise the southern end of the North Corridor. By 2035, 55% of all jobs in the five-county region will be located in the North Corridor.

**WHEREAS**, from 2005 to 2035, the region's population is forecasted to increase by 123 percent, with employment increasing by 135 percent.

**WHEREAS**, 14 of the 38 regional growth centers (areas with a dense mix of employment, housing, and retail) identified in the CAMPO 2035 plan are in the North Corridor.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Pflugerville has an Inter-local Agreement with Capital Metro to develop a three-year Transit Development Plan (TDP); and

**WHEREAS**, draft plans being prepared based on public input support the development of a park and ride facility that supports transit oriented development; and

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Pflugerville's aggressive economic development efforts seek to create employment nodes enhancing jobs and housing balance in northeast Travis County; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Pflugerville has a multi-use path network along creeks and streets extends 40 miles, linking neighborhoods, schools, parks, shopping and employment centers; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Pflugerville commits to working with the City of Austin to pursue donated parking for use in the proposed pilot project; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Pflugerville's multi-faceted transit development efforts are well underway to identify suitable sites, development partnerships and public-private partnerships to further its transportation and land use goals.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS:**

That the City of Pflugerville commits to support the City of Austin as a collaborator to propel the region beyond traffic as a Smart City if approved by the USDOT.

APPROVED this 10th day of May, 2016.

CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jeff Coleman, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Karen Thompson, City Secretary