

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO. C-1223

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RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONTINUED SUPPORT OF PARISH GOVERNMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW NORTH-SOUTH STATE HIGHWAY IN ST. TAMMANY PARISH AND URGING THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT TO EXPEDITE ITS EVALUATION OF FINAL ROUTE ALTERNATIVES.

WHEREAS, a new north-south state highway connecting the Bush community and Interstate 12 has been a DOTD Transportation Infrastructure Model for Economic Development (TIMED) project since 1989; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 1990's, St. Tammany Parish Government and the community have supported the planning of an additional north-south corridor through the parish in order to increase economic development, improve traffic movement throughout the parish and address the effects of continued growth and development which have changed our parish from a rural parish with small cities and towns to a suburban parish with two federally designated urbanized areas and overloaded our existing transportation network; and

WHEREAS, the I-12 to Bush highway project is included in the approved Transportation Plan of New Directions 2025, the Comprehensive Plan for future parish growth, and will be an integral part in the managing of future land use activities parish-wide; and

WHEREAS, the continued evaluation of alternative routes in order to select the one which will have the lowest adverse impacts on the natural and manmade environments and communities within the parish is also of utmost importance to this governing body.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES to express its continued support for the ongoing efforts of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development in the evaluation of final route alternatives for the establishment of a new north-south state highway between Interstate 12 and the Bush community which provides traffic capacity improvements for the parish while minimizing adverse impacts on people, neighborhoods and the natural environment.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: