

RESOLUTION NO. 18-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS, SUPPORTING A DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT (DART) SERVICE PLAN AMENDMENT TO ADD A FIXED GUIDEWAY ROUTE IN CITYLINE ALIGNMENT ON THE PROPOSED COTTON BELT REGIONAL RAIL CORRIDOR; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, DART's current Service Plan includes a fixed guideway route on the Cotton Belt Corridor extending from the Green Line to the Red Line; and

WHEREAS, DART proposes to amend the Service Plan to add a fixed guideway route west of the Green Line to DFW Airport and east of the Red Line to Shiloh Road in Plano; and

WHEREAS, the DART Cotton Belt Regional Rail Corridor project includes CityLine Alignment fixed guideway route diversion from the existing railroad corridor to provide a Regional Rail Station at the CityLine/Bush Rail Station in the City of Richardson; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richardson has already expressed a strong commitment and support for the CityLine Alignment through dedication of right-of-way and Tax Increment Finance (TIF) district funding; and

WHEREAS, DART's enabling legislation requires that the addition of a fixed guideway route through CityLine in the City of Richardson must be formally approved by the City of Richardson, Texas;

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

SECTION 1. That the Richardson City Council supports the proposed DART Service Plan Amendment to add a fixed guideway route on the CityLine Alignment within the City of Richardson for the Cotton Belt Regional Rail Corridor Project.

SECTION 2. That the Richardson City Council supports DART's efforts to develop a CityLine/Bush Cotton Belt Station design that is complementary with the existing light rail station's architectural design.

SECTION 3. That the Richardson City Council supports DART's efforts to grade separate Custer Parkway.

SECTION 4. That the Richardson City Council supports DART's efforts to achieve both functional and aesthetic design objectives with the Cotton Belt / US75 grade separation bridge structure along the CityLine fixed guideway route.

SECTION 5. That the Richardson City Council supports DART's efforts to plan for the implementation of a Cotton Belt Corridor regional hike and bike trail and requests that DART work towards obtaining environmental clearance of the Trail along their right-of-way and to build the portions of the Cotton Belt Trail as part of the Cotton Belt Rail project that will be impractical for other agencies to build after rail operations are initiated.

SECTION 6. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately from and after its passage.

DULY RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Richardson, Texas, on this the 22nd day of January, 2018.




CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


CITY ATTORNEY
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