



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

CM/ DCM/ ACM: Mario Canizares

DATE: March 6, 2018

SUBJECT

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding nominations and the appointment of a Member to the Board of Directors of the Denton County Transportation Authority to include a discussion on the composition of the existing Board of Directors.

BACKGROUND

Mr. Richard Huckaby was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) as the City of Denton Representative by City of Denton Resolution 2011-048 on December 6, 2011. During his tenure on the DCTA Board Mr. Huckaby has engaged in various subcommittees and has served in multiple leadership roles to include Board Secretary, current Chair of the Finance Committee and is currently serving as the Vice-Chair of the Board.

In December 2017, Mr. Huckaby expressed his interest to staff in continuing to serve the citizens of Denton on the DCTA Board. Mr. Huckaby is a long-term resident of Denton, teaches national and state government at North Central Texas College, served as the Corinth City Manager from 1993 to 2000 and retired from the United States Marine Corps as a Brigadier General.

The current two-year term for the City of Denton Representative and First Alternate has expired, however, the appointee may serve in an official capacity until replaced. Mr. Guy McElroy, former City of Denton Council Member, currently serves as the first alternate and has expressed his interest to continuing serving as the Alternate. At the February Mobility Committee meeting, staff was directed to place the DCTA Board nomination on the March 6, 2018, City Council Work Session agenda with the intent to provide an opportunity to consider additional nominations and discuss the DCTA Board composition.

On February 16, 2018, City Council was provided an Informal Staff Report (Exhibit 4) outlining the composition of the DCTA Board of Directors which has a total of 14 members. The report outlined that Denton was one of three Participating Members that have dedicated a ½-cent sales tax to DCTA. The other two Participating Members are Highland Village and Lewisville. Participating Member cities also have a weighted vote known as the 2/3-Vote. This clause requires a vote by two of the three Participating Member cities Board action on critical issues, typically financial in nature. The specific 2/3 vote issues are defined in Exhibits 4 and Exhibit 5.

Each Denton County municipality with a population over 17,000 may appoint a representative to the DCTA Board, currently eight. These cities are: Corinth, Denton, Flower Mound, Frisco, Highland Village, Lewisville, Little Elm, and The Colony. Three members representing municipalities with populations between 500 and 17,000 are designated by the County Judge subsequent to being nominated by their respective communities and votes cast by each community. Three members are appointed by a vote of the Denton County Commissioners Court, two of which must reside in unincorporated areas of the county.

OPTIONS

1. Reappoint Richard Huckaby as the Primary City of Denton Representative on the DCTA Board of Directors and reappoint Guy McElroy as the Alternate.
2. Consider additional nominations for both the Primary and Alternate Representatives to the DCTA Board of Directors.
3. Take no action at this time. Current representatives may continue to serve.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT

Board nominations could be placed on the March 20, 2018, Denton City Council Agenda. Board appointees would become effective immediately and continue through November 12, 2019 or until Council reappoints a replacement.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

December 6, 2011- Mr. Huckaby was appointed to the DCTA Board by Resolution 2011-048.

February 16, 2018 -Informal Staff Report 2018-018 was submitted as part of the Friday Report.

February 21, 2018 - the Mobility Committee considered the nomination of Richard Huckaby as the Primary Representative to the DCTA Board of Directors. No action taken.

FISCAL INFORMATION

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

Related Key Focus Area: Safe, Liveable & Family-Friendly Community

Related Goal: 1.6 Collaborate with local, regional, state, and federal partners

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet
2. DCTA letter dated November 14, 2017
3. Resolution 2011-048
4. Informal Staff Report 2018-018, dated February 16, 2018
5. PowerPoint Presentation dated March 6, 2018

Respectfully submitted:
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