RESOLUTION #2021-07



STATE OF TEXAS §

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

COUNTY OF COMAL §

URGING THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE TO AMEND SECTION 502.402, TRANSPORTATION CODE

WHEREAS, Section 502.401, Texas Transportation Code authorizes the commissioners court of all counties to impose an optional county fee, not to exceed \$10, for registering a vehicle in the county, to be deposited in the county road and bridge fund; and

WHEREAS, Section 502.402, Texas Transportation Code authorizes the commissioners court of certain counties to impose an additional, optional fee, not to exceed \$20, for registering a vehicle in the county, to be sent to a regional mobility authority located in the county to fund long-term transportation projects in the county; and

WHEREAS, the applicability of Section 502.402, Texas Transportation Code currently excludes Comal County; and

WHEREAS, Comal County is one of the fastest growing counties in the United States and the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Comal County is experiencing the need to make numerous improvements to its transportation system, on the State highway system as well as on the Comal County road system; and

WHEREAS, Comal County is required to participate financially for improvements to the Texas Department of Transportation highway system pertaining to right-of-way acquisition and utility relocations for numerous projects; and

WHEREAS, Comal County Commissioners Court is contemplating some large transportation improvement projects on the State highway system as well as on the Comal County road system; and

WHEREAS, Comal County requires additional funding sources for implementation and successful completion of these transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the Comal County Commissioners Court desires the ability to allow its citizenry the option to vote to impose an additional vehicle registration fee assessment to provide funding for long-term transportation projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Commissioners Court of Comal County, Texas does hereby urge the Texas Legislature to amend Section 502.402, Texas Transportation Code to revise the population applicability limits to allow Comal County to impose an additional fee for a vehicle registered in the county, with said fee being approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the county voting on the issue at a referendum election, which the commissioners court may order and hold for that purpose.

RESOLVED THIS 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021.

SHERMAN KRAUSE, COUNTY JUDGE

DONNA ECCLESTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1	SCOTT HAAG COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
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BOBBIE KOEPP, COUNTY CLERK