### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CRAWFORD COUNTY, KANSAS GIRARD, KANSAS

# RESOLUTION NO. 2001-114

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED WEST ALTERNATIVE FOR U.S. HIGHWAY 69 BYPASS FREEWAY IMPROVEMENTS AND REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION TO SELECT THE WEST ALTERNATIVE.

WHEREAS, Crawford County, Kansas values the good working relationship with the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) and Crawford County also appreciates KDOT moving forward in initiating the engineering of certain freeway improvements to the U.S. Highway 69 Bypass in Crawford County and northern Cherokee County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, KDOT has issued an Advance Preliminary Engineering Study, US-69, Project 69-106 K-7290-01, dated December, 2000, which discusses three alternate alignments, a West Alternative, a Middle Alternative, and an East Alternative, and expresses a preference for the Middle Alternative; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Crawford County, Kansas has specific concerns about the Middle Alternative and deems the West Alternative to be in the best interests of the County, its residents, and the traveling public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Crawford County, Kansas, as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of County Commissioners expresses its strong sentiment about the importance of transportation including good highways to the future of Crawford County, Southeast Kansas, and our State, and its support for further development of the U.S. Highway 69 corridor as a four lane freeway from Louisburg to the Oklahoma state line including a new bypass in Crawford County;

Section 2. That the Board of County Commissioners finds the West Alternative is preferable to the Middle Alternative for the following reasons:

a. The existing corridor handles a great deal of local traffic, and the West Alternative leaves the existing corridor in place;

b. Construction of a new freeway on the Middle Alternative would substantially disrupt such traffic for years, especially if the new freeway is to be constructed in segments;

c. The Middle Alternative will impact local woodlands and parts of three parks: Lincoln Park, Robb Prairie, and Wilderness Park;

d. The West Alternative requires the relocation of no businesses and of seventy-six fewer residences that the Middle Alternative;

e. The West Alternative will significantly encourage further industrial development in and around the Arma Industrial Park west of the City of Arma, in and around the Frontenac Industrial Park west of the City of Frontenac, and in and around the Pittsburg Airport Industrial Park west of the City of Pittsburg, as well as promote growth in the cities of Girard and Cherokee and other unincorporated areas of the County.

Section 3. That the Board of County Commissioners expresses its preference for

the West Alternative for the proposed freeway improvements to the U.S. 69 Bypass.

Section 4. That the Board of County Commissioners requests and encourages the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Transportation to select, designate and approve the West Alternative as the alignment for the U.S. Highway 69 Bypass freeway improvements.

Section 5. That the Board of County Commissioners requests and encourages the Governor, the Kansas Legislature, and the Kansas Department of Transportation to allocate funds for the design, development and construction of further four lane freeway improvements to U.S. Highway 69 at the earliest opportunity.

Section 6. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

Section 7. The County Clerk is directed to publish this Resolution and the sentiments expressed herein as appropriate, and to provide certified copies of this Resolution to Governor Bill Graves, to E. Dean Carlson, Secretary of Transportation, to Senator Jim Barone, to Representative Bob Grant, to Representative R.J. Wilson, and to the Mayors of the cities within the County.

ADOPTED, APPROVED AND GIVEN under our hands at the Courthouse in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas this 30th day of March, 2001.

Tom Moody, Chairman

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ATTEST:

Kevin Anselmi, County Clerk

### THE CITY OF ARMA, KANSAS

### RESOLUTION NO. 2001-001

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED WEST ALTERNATIVE FOR U.S. HIGHWAY 69 BYPASS FREEWAY IMPROVEMENTS AND REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION TO SELECT THE WEST ALTERNATIVE.

WHEREAS, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) has proposed to begin engineering certain freeway improvements to the U.S. Highway 69 Bypass in Crawford County and northern Cherokee County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, KDOT has issued an Advance Preliminary Engineering Study, US-69, Project 69-106 K-7290-01, dated December, 2000, which discusses three alternate alignments, a West Alternative, a Middle Alternative, and an East Alternative, and expresses a preference for the Middle Alternative;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Arma, Kansas have specific concerns about the Middle Alternative and deem the West Alternative to be in the best interests of Crawford County, each city within the County, its residents, and the traveling public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT [UNANIMOUSLY] RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Arma, Crawford County, Kansas:

Section 1. That the Mayor and City Council express their strong sentiment about the importance of transportation including good highways to the future of Crawford County, Southeast Kansas, and our State, and their support for further development of the U.S. Highway 69 corridor as a four lane freeway from Louisburg to the Oklahoma state line including a new bypass in Crawford County;

Section 2. That the Mayor and City Council find the West Alternative is preferable to the Middle Alternative for the following reasons:

- a. The existing corridor handles a great deal of local traffic, and the West Alternative leaves the existing corridor in place;
- b. Construction of a new freeway on the Middle Alternative would substantially disrupt such traffic for years, especially if the new freeway is to be constructed in segments;
- c. The Middle Alternative will destroy local woodlands and parts of three parks: Lincoln Park, Robb Prairie, and Wilderness Park;
- d. The West Alternative requires the relocation of no businesses and of seventysix fewer residences that the Middle Alternative;
- e. The West Alternative will significantly encourage further industrial development in and around the Arma Industrial Park west of the City of Arma, in and around the Frontenac Industrial Park west of the City of Frontenac, and in and around the Pittsburg Airport Industrial Park west of the City of Pittsburg, as well as promote growth in the cities of Girard and Cherokee and other unincorporated areas of the County.

Section 3. That the Mayor and City Council express their preference for the West Alternative for the proposed freeway improvements to the U.S. 69 Bypass.

Section 4. That the Mayor and City Council request and encourage the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Transportation to select, designate and approve the West Alternative as the alignment for the U.S. Highway 69 Bypass freeway improvements.

Section 5. That the Mayor and City Council request and encourage the Governor, the Kansas Legislature, and the Kansas Department of Transportation to allocate funds for the design, development and construction of further four lane freeway improvements to U.S. Highway 69 at the earliest opportunity.

Section 6. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

Section 7. The City Clerk is directed to publish this Resolution and the sentiments expressed herein as appropriate, and to provide certified copies of this Resolution to Governor Bill Graves, to E. Dean Carlson, Secretary of Transportation, to Senator Jim Barone, to Representative Bob Grant, to Representative R.J. Wilson, and to the Mayors of the cities within the County.

[UNANIMOUSLY] ADOPTED AND GIVEN under our hands at Arma, Crawford County, Kansas this 2 day of April, 2001.

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Mayor

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ATTEST:

City Clerk

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# RESOLUTION NO. 2001- DOL

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED WEST ALTERNATIVE FOR U.S. HIGHWAY 69 BYPASS FREEWAY IMPROVEMENTS AND REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION TO SELECT THE WEST ALTERNATIVE.

WHEREAS, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) has proposed to begin engineerin certain freeway improvements to the U.S. Highway 69 Bypass in Crawford County and northern Cherokee County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, KDOT has issued an Advance Preliminary Engineering Study, U.S. 69-106 K-7290-01, dated December 2000, which discusses three (3) alternate alignments, and expresses a preference for the Middle Alternative as opposed to the West Alternative or East Alternative; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Frontenac, Kansas, held a special meeting in order to determine public opinion as to which alternative the City of Frontenac should support that would be in the best interests of Crawford County, Kansas, each city within the County, its residents and the traveling public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Frontenac, Crawford County, Kansas:

SECTION 1. That the governing body of the City of Frontenac, Kansas, hereby resolves that the importance of transportation including good highways to the future of Crawford County, Southeast Kansas, and our State, and their support for further development of the U.S. Highway 69 corridor as a four (4) lane freeway from Louisburg to the Oklahoma state line including a new bypass in Crawford County;

SECTION 2. That the Mayor and the City Council find the West Alternative is preferable to the Middle Alternative or East Alternative;

SECTION 3. That the Mayor and City Council request and encourage the Secretary of Transportation to select, designate and approve the West Alternative as the alignment for the U.S. 69 Bypass freeway improvements;

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption;

SECTION 5. The City Clerk is hereby directed to publish this Resolution and to provide certified copies of the same to Governor Bill Graves, to E. Dean Carlson, Secretary of Transportation, Senator Jim Barone, Representatives Bob Grant and R.J. Wilson and to the Mayors of the Cities within the County and the Crawford County Commission.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of APRIL , 2001.

Mayor James Kennedy

Attest:

Richard Cicero, City Clerk

#### THE CITY OF GIRARD, KANSAS

# RESOLUTION NO. 2001-

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED WEST ALTERNATIVE FOR U.S. HIGHWAY 69 BYPASS FREEWAY IMPROVEMENTS AND REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION TO SELECT THE WEST ALTERNATIVE.

WHEREAS, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) has proposed to begin engineering certain freeway improvements to the U.S. Highway 69 Bypass in Crawford County and northern Cherokee County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, KDOT has issued an Advance Preliminary Engineering Study, US-69, Project 69-106 K-7290-01, dated December, 2000, which discusses three alternate alignments, a West Alternative, a Middle Alternative, and an East Alternative, and expresses a preference for the Middle Alternative; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Girard, Kansas have specific concerns about the Middle Alternative and deem the West Alternative to be in the best interests of Crawford County, each city within the County, its residents, and the traveling public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT [UNANIMOUSLY] RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Girard, Crawford County, Kansas:

Section 1. That the Mayor and City Council express their strong sentiment about the importance of transportation including good highways to the future of Crawford County, Southeast Kansas, and our State, and their support for further development of the U.S. Highway 69 corridor as a four lane freeway from Louisburg to the Oklahoma state line including a new bypass in Crawford County;

Section 2. That the Mayor and City Council find the West Alternative is preferable to the Middle Alternative for the following reasons:

- a. The existing corridor handles a great deal of local traffic, and the West Alternative leaves the existing corridor in place;
- b. Construction of a new freeway on the Middle Alternative would substantially disrupt such traffic for years, especially if the new freeway is to be constructed in segments:
- c. The Middle Alternative will destroy local woodlands and parts of three parks: Lincoln Park, Robb Prairie, and Wilderness Park;
- d. The West Alternative requires the relocation of no businesses and of seventysix fewer residences that the Middle Alternative;
- e. The West Alternative will significantly encourage further industrial development in and around the Arma Industrial Park west of the City of Arma, in and around the Frontenac Industrial Park west of the City of Frontenac, and in and around the Pittsburg Airport Industrial Park west of the City of Pittsburg, as well as promote growth in the cities of Girard and Cherokee and other unincorporated areas of the County.

Section 3. That the Mayor and City Council express their preference for the West Alternative for the proposed freeway improvements to the U.S. 69 Bypass.

Section 4. That the Mayor and City Council request and encourage the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Transportation to select, designate and approve the West Alternative as the alignment for the U.S. Highway 69 Bypass freeway improvements.

Section 5. That the Mayor and City Council request and encourage the Governor, the Kansas Legislature, and the Kansas Department of Transportation to allocate funds for the design, development and construction of further four lane freeway improvements to U.S. Highway 69 at the earliest opportunity.

Section 6. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

Section 7. The City Clerk is directed to publish this Resolution and the sentiments expressed herein as appropriate, and to provide certified copies of this Resolution to Governor Bill Graves, to E. Dean Carlson, Secretary of Transportation, to Senator Jim Barone, to Representative Bob Grant, to Representative R.J. Wilson, and to the Mayors of the cities within the County.

[UNANIMOUSLY] ADOPTED AND GIVEN under our hands at Girard, Crawford County, Kansas this day of March, 2001.

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ATTEST:

City Clerk

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#### RESOLUTION NO. 911

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED WEST ALTERNATIVE FOR U.S. HIGHWAY 69 BYPASS FREEWAY IMPROVEMENTS AND REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION TO SELECT THE WEST ALTERNATIVE.

WHEREAS, the City of Pittsburg values the good working relationship with the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), and the City of Pittsburg also appreciates KDOT moving forward in initiating the engineering of certain freeway improvements to the US Highway 69 Bypass in Crawford County and northern Cherokee County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, KDOT has issued an Advance Preliminary Engineering Study, US-69, Project 69-106 K-7290-01, dated December, 2000, which discusses three alternate alignments, a West Alternative, a Middle Alternative, and an East Alternative, and expresses a preference for the Middle Alternative; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of Pittsburg, Kansas has specific concerns about the Middle Alternative and deems the West Alternative to be in the best interests of the County, each city within the County, its residents, and the traveling public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Pittsburg, Crawford County, Kansas, as follows:

Section 1. That the City Commission expresses its strong sentiment about the importance of transportation including good highways to the future of Crawford County, Southeast Kansas, and our State, and its support for further development of the U.S. Highway 69 corridor as a four lane freeway from Louisburg to the Oklahoma state line including a new bypass in Crawford County;

Section 2. That the City Commission finds the West Alternative is preferable to the Middle Alternative for the following reasons:

- a. The existing corridor handles a great deal of local traffic, and the West Alternative leaves the existing corridor in place;
- b. Construction of a new freeway on the Middle Alternative would substantially disrupt such traffic for years, especially if the new freeway is to be constructed in segments;
- c. The West Alternative requires the relocation of no businesses and of seventy-six fewer residences that the Middle Alternative;
- d. The West Alternative will significantly encourage further industrial development in and around the Arma Industrial Park west of the City of Arma, in and around the Frontenac Industrial Park west of the City of Frontenac, and in and around the Pittsburg Airport Industrial Park west of the City of Pittsburg, as well as promote growth in the cities of Girard and Cherokee and other unincorporated areas of the County.

- e. The Middle Alternative will impact local woodlands and parts of three parks: Lincoln Park, Robb Prairie, and Wilderness Park;
- Section 3. That the City Commission expresses its preference for the West Alternative for the proposed freeway improvements to the U.S. 69 Bypass.
- Section 4. That the City Commission requests and encourages the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Transportation to select, designate and approve the West Alternative as the alignment for the U.S. Highway 69 Bypass freeway improvements.
- Section 5. That the City Commission requests and encourages the Governor, the Kansas Legislature, and the Kansas Department of Transportation to allocate funds for the design, development and construction of further four lane freeway improvements to U.S. Highway 69 at the earliest opportunity.
- Section 6. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.
- Section 7. The City Clerk is directed to publish this Resolution and the sentiments expressed herein as appropriate, and to provide certified copies of this Resolution to Governor Bill Graves, to E. Dean Carlson, Secretary of Transportation, to Senator Jim Barone, to Representative Bob Grant, to Representative R.J. Wilson, to the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, and to the Mayors of the cities within the County.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Pittsburg, Kansas, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001.

Mayor – Raiph McGeorge

City Clerk - Lu Anne Pugh

## CERTIFICATE OF PASSAGE

STATE OF KANSAS )
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD) SS:
CITY OF PITTSBURG )

I, the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of Pittsburg, Kansas, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 911 of said City, passed and approved on the 27th day of March, 2001, as the same appears of record among the resolutions of said City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said City this 27th day of March, 2001.

Lu Anne Pugh

City Clerk

City of Pittsburg, Kansas

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