

RESOLUTION 918

A RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE REGARDING PLANS PROPOSED BY THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF INTERCHANGES AND INTERSECTIONS LOCATED AT EXITS 65 AND 65A FROM INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 40 (1-40) INTO CLINTON, OK

WHEREAS, the City of Clinton is in complete support and advocates for the modification and modernization of I40 relating to Exit 65 and Exit 65A ("the Project");

WHEREAS, the staff of Division 5 of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) have diligently worked and considered options, which have been presented to the citizens of Clinton;

WHEREAS, on Thursday, May 24, 2016, the staff of Division 5 of ODOT presented the citizens of Clinton with five construction concepts to modernize Exit 65 as well as concepts to keep Exit 65A open;

WHEREAS, the citizens of Clinton were asked to make comments on the five concepts at the meeting, which would be evaluated by ODOT;

WHEREAS, the Citizens were told that one of the five concepts would be chosen after consideration of the public comments;

WHEREAS, on Thursday, February 28, 2019 ODOT presented a Project proposal to the citizens of Clinton which differed from the five concepts presented to and commented on by Clinton citizens in 2016;

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2019, this Council adopted Resolution 889, which did not support the plan presented on February 28, 2019;

WHEREAS, after passage of Resolution 889, ODOT remained in communication with the Council, Staff, and Citizenry of the City of Clinton;

WHEREAS, ODOT subsequently performed engineering studies and received public comment with regard to the Project;

WHEREAS, as a result of the engineering studies and public comment, ODOT formulated two plans, which addressed the concerns of Resolution 889, for presentation to the Council and citizenry of the City of Clinton;

WHEREAS, those plans, having been denominated 9B and 2D, have received comment from the Public and significant study by ODOT.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Clinton:

1. The Council believes that the Oklahoma Department of Transportation has completed the due diligence necessary for the engineering study and received sufficient Public Comment in order to recommend the appropriate plan; and

2. The Council hereby accepts the proposal recommended by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the modernization of the Project area.

Passed and approved the _____ day of _____, 2021.

David D Berrong, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amy Jones, City Clerk