

RESOLUTION 18-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR AUTHORITY (NFTCA) EXPRESSING COMMITMENT AND INTEREST IN PARTNERING ON TRIUMPH FUNDED PROJECTS AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the NFTCA is an independent special district authorized under Florida Statute to plan and implement various transportation and economic development projects along the U.S. 98 corridor, including projects that span beyond the borders of one county or municipality; and

WHEREAS, the legislature granted the NFTCA extraordinary powers to accomplish such projects, including, among others, the power to issue revenue bonds, construct and operate toll facilities, take property through eminent domain, enter into lease-purchase agreements with the Florida Department of Transportation, enter into partnerships with public or private agencies to facilitate financing and constructing any project, and access state infrastructure bank loans; and

WHEREAS, the NFTCA has studied numerous projects in Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Bay, Gulf, Franklin, and Wakulla Counties, including the business case for those projects, as further set forth in its corridor master plan and supporting analysis; and

WHEREAS, the NFTCA retains a general consulting engineer with extensive knowledge of those projects and the business case for each; and

WHEREAS, Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. ("Triumph") was created by the legislature to make awards for projects or programs within Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Bay, Gulf, Franklin, and Wakulla Counties; and

WHEREAS, these counties are the same as the counties within the NFTCA's jurisdiction and the NFTCA has powers and expertise that may be helpful to execute Triumph funded projects; and

WHEREAS, the NFTCA has not applied to Triumph for funding for any project, but wishes to make its resources and abilities available to those agencies and persons who have applied or will apply for Triumph funding.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA
TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR AUTHORITY THAT:**

Section 1. The NFTCA is ready, willing, and able to partner or otherwise assist other agencies and persons with planning and executing Triumph funded projects as feasible within the NFTCA's budget and financial resources.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

RESOLVED this 8th day of February, 2018.


Robert Montgomery, Chairman

ATTEST:


