

**LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA URBANIZED AREA  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)  
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-24-10**

**APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION TO PLAN, PREPARE, AND IMPLEMENT AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE PROPOSED MPO LAKE CHARLES URBAN AREA TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT CENTER.**

**WHEREAS**, the Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Commission (SWLA-RPC) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Lake Charles Urbanized Area, charged with overall responsibility for preparing, adopting, and maintaining the twenty-five year Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); **AND**

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Policy Committee of the Lake Charles, Louisiana Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has formally received a recommendation from the MPO Technical Advisory Committee proposing a "Transportation Management Center" for the Urban Area; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, the proposed "Transportation Management Center" would be a collaboration among numerous political jurisdictions; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, it is determined to be in the best interests and efficiency of local and state stakeholders in the transportation planning and development process to leverage and support a common need; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, the ultimate goal and objective of the proposed "Transportation Management Center" is planning, implementation, and maintenance of a coordinated network of traffic signals, signage, and safety information for greater traffic capacity efficiencies and functionality throughout the Urban Area; **AND**

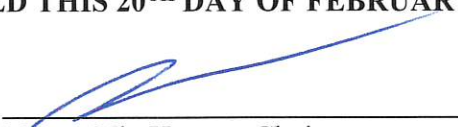
**WHEREAS**, coordination, cooperation and collaboration on the proposed "Transportation Management Center" begins with intergovernmental agreements among the interested stakeholders; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LaDOTD); Calcasieu Parish Police Jury, Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office, the City of Lake Charles, City of Sulphur and City of Westlake have expressed interest in participating on the proposed "Transportation Management Center"; **AND**


**WHEREAS**, the MPO Transportation Policy Committee has reviewed the TMC Feasibility Study and considered recommendations of the Technical Advisory Committee sufficiently to determine significant positive impacts on the Lake Charles Urban Transportation Network in leveraging resources to effect same;

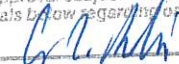
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE FOR THE LAKE CHARLES URBAN AREA, APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION TO PLAN, PREPARE, AND IMPLEMENT AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE PROPOSED MPO LAKE CHARLES URBAN AREA TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT CENTER.**

**THIS RESOLUTION BEING VOTED ON AND ADOPTED THIS 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024.**

  
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Mayor Nic Hunter, Chair  
Transportation Policy Committee

ATTEST:

  
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Michael Hollier  
Executive/MPO Director

APPROVED BY LEGAL DEPARTMENT CITY OF LAKE CHARLES	
Approval subject to signature, date and initials below regarding ordinance approval.	
By:	
	Corey L. Rubin, Assistant City Attorney
Date:	03/26/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Authorization ordinance attached.
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