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STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF KANE

RESOLUTION NO. 10 - 238

RECOMMENDING PROCEEDING TO CONSTRUCTION OF A TOLL BRIDGE ACROSS THE FOX RIVER ON THE LONGMEADOW PARKWAY BRIDGE CORRIDOR DUNDEE TOWNSHIP, KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, The County of Kane on July 25, 2007 formed the Long Meadow Parkway Toll Bridge Task Force (hereinafter the "Task Force"); and

WHEREAS, the Task Force was charged with the study and coordination of the required activities needed for the consideration of a toll bridge (hereinafter "Toll Bridge") at the proposed Fox River bridge crossing on the Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor in Dundee Township, Kane County, Illinois, (hereinafter the "River Crossing"); and

WHEREAS, the Task Force's study included among other things: i) ascertaining the statutory authority and requirements for a toll bridge, ii) determining preliminary traffic projections, iii) determining the financial feasibility of user fees and bonding capabilities, and iv) reviewing the parameters for the issuance of bonds to fund construction of a toll bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force coordination included: i) coordinating with the Federal Highway Administration, including determining the requirements of the previously approved Fox River Bridge Crossings Final Environmental Impact Statement and Section 4(f) evaluation, ii) ascertaining the appropriateness of the use of federal funds for the Toll Bridge or any part thereof and iii) coordinating with the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority regarding parameters for the use of I-PASS for the purpose of collecting tolls; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force with the assistance of the Kane County Division of Transportation and civil engineering consultant, Wilbur Smith Associates Inc., coordinated the required activities and studied the feasibility of the Toll Bridge at the River Crossing as aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force has, with the assistance of the Kane County Division of Transportation and professional civil engineering consultant, McDonough Associates Inc., coordinated with the Federal Highway Administration to analyze any new impacts to the human environment resulting from the tolled bridge concept as aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, the Task force accepted and adopted the Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor Traffic Projections and Financial Feasibility Study, dated August 2009, from Wilbur Smith and Associates (a copy of which is on file in the office of the Kane County Clerk) which contains the results of the Task Force's studies and coordination for the Toll Bridge at the River Crossing; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force unanimously found: (i) There is adequate statutory authority for the County of Kane to construct a toll bridge crossing of the Fox River on the Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor, (ii) That preliminary traffic projections for the toll bridge are adequate for a toll bridge to be successful, (iii) That a toll bridge is financially feasible using projected tolls and the bonding capability of the County of Kane, (iv) That the issuance of alternative revenue bonds to fund construction of a toll bridge is appropriate, (v) That the Federal Highway Administration: (a) does not object to the funding the proposed project as toll bridge, (b) has concluded that there are no substantive changes in the impacts for a toll bridge scenario compared to those disclosed in the Final Environmental Impact Statement and has concluded that a supplemental Environmental Impact Statement is not required, and (c) has determined that the use of federal funds for right of way acquisition for the Longmeadow

Parkway Corridor with a toll bridge across the Fox River is appropriate, and (iv) That the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority has initially indicated that the use of I-PASS and video tolling to collect bridge tolls is feasible through an intergovernmental agreement therewith; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force has recommended to the Kane County Board that a bridge be built across the Fox River on the Longmeadow Parkway Corridor funded by alternative revenue bonds which bonds would be retired by tolls collected for the use of said bridge.

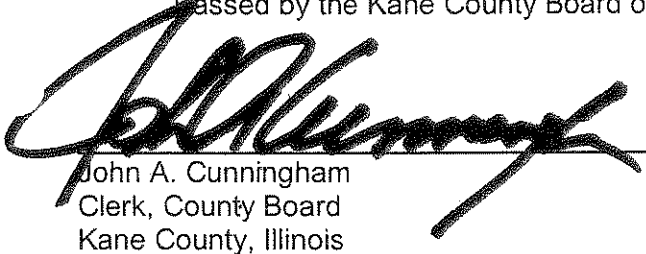
WHEREAS, the County Board of Kane County desires to memorialize its commitment to the construction of a bridge across the Fox River on the Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Kane County Board, that the County of Kane accept the Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor Traffic Projections and Financial Feasibility Study.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the County of Kane continue to undertake the planning, design, right of way acquisition and intergovernmental agreements necessary for the construction of a toll bridge across the Fox River along the Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor.

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RERSOLVED that the County of Kane further investigate and continue to refine funding options available for future consideration by the Kane County Board for the construction and operation of a toll bridge across the Fox River on the Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor.

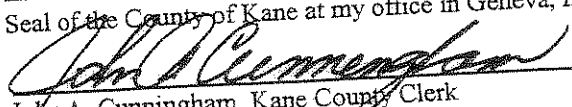
Passed by the Kane County Board on August 10, 2010.


John A. Cunningham
Clerk, County Board
Kane County, Illinois


Karen McConaughay
Chairman, County Board
Kane County, Illinois

Vote:
Yes 20
No 4
Voice 0
Abstentions 0

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STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF KANE	DATE <u>AUG 27 2010</u>
I, John A. Cunningham, Kane County Clerk and Keeper of the Records in Kane County, Illinois do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the original record on file.	
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the County of Kane at my office in Geneva, Illinois.	
 John A. Cunningham, Kane County Clerk	