

RESOLUTION _____

**ENCOURAGING THE 83RD TEXAS LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION
AUTHORIZING MUNICIPALITIES TO GENERATE REVENUE TO FUND STREET REPAIR
AND MAINTENANCE, THROUGH LOCAL OPTION VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES,
GASOLINE TAXES OR OTHER MECHANISM.**

WHEREAS, The City of Corpus Christi has approximately 1,204 miles of streets; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, numerous factors, including funding constraints and new street miles being added to the city's inventory at a faster rate than the growth of the tax base and population, have resulted in deferred maintenance of city streets, and furthered deterioration of the street infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Street maintenance has been deferred to the point that 50% of City streets are considered to be in "Fair" and "Good" condition and 50% are considered to be in "Poor" condition. It is important for the City to prevent the Good streets from further deterioration; and

WHEREAS, Street maintenance is current funded at approximately \$10.67 million of which approximately 50% is used towards preventative maintenance (seal coat and crack sealing) and 50% towards reactive street work (pot hole repair, base failures, utility cuts, etc.); and

WHEREAS, In order to get on a systematic seven-year preventative maintenance cycle, the City would need an additional \$15 million a year; and

WHEREAS, In November of 2010, the City Council passed a resolution approving the formation of the Street Maintenance Finance Ad Hoc Advisory Committee to evaluate various funding options, and further, on January 31, 2012, the Final Report from the Committee was presented to City Council recommending adoption of a Street User Fee and examination of alternative/additional funding mechanisms, policy changes and a recommended funding level of \$55 Million per year; and

WHEREAS, After evaluating the Committee report, the City Council agreed that a minimum of an additional \$15 million per year is needed for street maintenance; and

WHEREAS, Over 19 presentations or action items have been brought to City Council since 2010, to create a Street Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, The City Council adopted a legislative policy priority on October 16, 2012, that recommended giving local governments access to a variety of financing tools, and further recommended removing any restrictions that limit flexibility to use economic incentives to address community-specific transportation infrastructure needs through all project phases;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

That the Corpus Christi City Council hereby Encourage the 83rd Texas Legislature to enact legislation authorizing municipalities to generate revenue to fund street repair, and maintenance, through local option vehicle registration fees, gasoline taxes or other mechanism; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be presented to members of the Coastal Bend legislative delegation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this sixteenth (16th) day of April, 2013.

APPROVED this sixteenth (16th) day of April, 2013.

Mayor of the CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Pursuant to Article XXX, Section XXX, CORPUS CHRISTI City Charter, the effective date of the foregoing resolution is _____.

City Secretary

The above resolution was passed by the following vote:

Nelda Martinez _____

Kelley Allen _____

Rudy Garza _____

Priscilla Leal _____

David Loeb _____

Chad Magill _____

Colleen McIntyre _____

Lillian Riojas _____

Mark Scott _____