RESOLUTION NO. 2025-R05

RESOLUTION OF FANNIN COUNTY, TEXAS AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING FORMATION OF A "SUB-REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION"

Came before the Commissioners Court of Fannin County on this the 25th day of <u>March</u>, 2025, the matter of authorizing and approving the creation of a sub-regional planning commission within Fannin County, to be known as the Fannin Intergovernmental **Planning and Development Commission (FIPDC)**, and authorizing to enter into Interlocal Cooperation Agreements for the purpose of joining with other governing units within Fannin County;

WHEREAS, Chapter 391 of the Texas Local Government Code (the Act) encourages and permits local governmental units to join and cooperate to improve health, safety and general welfare of their residents and to plan for future development of communities, areas, and regions;

WHEREAS, The Act authorizes any combination of at least two (2) counties and/or municipalities to agree to establish a commission to plan for a sub-region;

WHEREAS, the governing units within Fannin County have unique planning needs for which a cooperative effort among the uniquely affected governmental units to coordinate planning efforts is in the best interest of the residents, and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners Court of Fannin County, Texas finds it is in the public interest and to the benefit of the residents of the county and the citizens of this state to form a commission to provide for the special planning needs of the area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF FANNIN COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. Authorization. The following actions are hereby authorized:

- (A) The creation and joining of a commission pursuant to Chapter 391, Texas Local Government Code to be known as the "Fannin Intergovernmental Planning and Development Commission" (FIPDC) is authorized and approved;
- (B) Initially, unincorporated area County limits of Fannin County shall be included with the City Limits of Savoy to form the boundaries of the newly created FIPDC; and
- (C) The Commissioners' Court is authorized to take all steps necessary and required under Chapter 391, Texas Local Government Code, to establish and join the FIPDC, including cooperating to form appropriate Interlocal Cooperation Agreements with Savoy and other municipalities, counties and other governmental units affected by the plans of such counties, municipalities and/or governmental units as agreed by the voting members of the FIPDC and approved by Fannin County and permitted by law.

Section 2. Purpose. The FIPDC's purpose is to:

- (A) Cooperate and coordinate with local governmental units sharing similar needs to plan for matters dealing with health, safety, and general welfare of their residents, and the development, including Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS), issues affecting the jurisdiction and residents of the FIPDC;
- **(B)** Study, research and create a plan to deal with future development of communities, areas, and regions regarding BESS facilities located within the jurisdiction of the FIPDC;
- (C) Protect and preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the FIPDC; and
- (D) Coordinate all efforts with all federal and state agencies pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 391.

Section 3. Open Meetings.

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution was passed was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 25 day of March . 2025.

FANNIN COUNTY, TEXAS:

Newt Cunningham Fannin County Judge

Troy Waggoner

Commissioner, Precinct 1

Kurt Fogelberg

Commissioner, Precinct 3

ATTEST:

Fannin County Cler

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