

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE November 3, 2017

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Joppa/Linfield Bridge Project Update**

## Summary

At the City Council meeting on Wednesday, October 25, 2017, during discussion of Agenda Item #51, Councilmember Greyson asked if the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved funding for the Joppa/Linfield Bridge project. Staff's response that RTC had done so was incorrect – the project was removed from the RTC voting agenda because of neighborhood opposition.

## Background

On October 12, 2017, the RTC approved an authorization of up to \$46.6 million in support of Dallas bond projects. Prior to this approval, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) had initially recommended including \$6.6 million to fund the Linfield Bridge in the Joppa neighborhood (an \$8.2 million project). However, because of neighborhood opposition to replacing existing street-level neighborhood access with the Linfield Bridge, NCTCOG removed the project from its list of recommendations.

If this project is reconsidered in the future, it will be subject to RTC approval, as well as funding source identification and allocation.

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Majed A. Al-Ghafry, P.E.  
Assistant City Manager

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