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2-22-2011 AGENDA ITEM #25A

By Messenger Delivery

Ms. Donna Ospina Fort Bend County Judge's Office 301 Jackson, Suite 719 Richmond TX 77469

Re: Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority ("GPTRA")

Dear Ms. Ospina:

Enclosed are two (2) original Reimbursement Agreements for interim financing for Grand Parkway Segment D project costs between Fort Bend County and GPTRA. If approved, please return to me one (1) originally executed agreement for GPTRA's files.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Justine M. Cherne Legal Assistant

Enclosures

REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT

RECITALS:

- A. The County Commissioners Court by Order dated June 8, 2010, determined and declared that the FBGPTRA be formed as a duly constituted authority of the County and authorized the FBGPTRA to act on behalf of the County in the performance of its essential governmental purposes to develop the Grand Parkway.
- B. The FBGPTRA was created as a local government corporation pursuant to state law and is a governmental unit within the meaning of Section 101.001 Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code.
- C. The FBGPTRA desires to develop Segment D of the Grand Parkway (the "Project") and perform all useful or necessary activities in connection therewith.
- D. The County desires to provide interim financing to the FBGPTRA for the costs associated with the Project in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.00, until such time as FBGPTRA issues bonds and is able to repay the County, pursuant to the terms below.
- **NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing and of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties do hereby agree as follows:
- 1. <u>Incorporation of Recitals</u>. The representations, covenants and recitations set forth in the foregoing recitals are material to this Agreement and are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Agreement as though they were fully set forth in this Section 1.
- 2. Advances by the County. The County hereby agrees to promptly advance funds to or on behalf of FBGPTRA in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.00 for Project costs that have been approved by County Commissioners Court, including, but not

limited to, engineering, legal fees, and administration as such funds become due, provided however, that the funds may only be used for the purpose of expenses related to Segment D. The FBGPTRA shall be responsible for maintaining proper accounting records for all deposits and expenditures.

The funds advanced by the County shall be deposited into a special fund designated the "Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority Fund" in the County Treasury, or its successor. Funds may only be disbursed from the special fund upon approval of the Commissioners Court.

- 3. Reimbursement. If the FBGPTRA issues bonds to finance the Project, the FBGPTRA will pay the County for all sums advanced to or on behalf of the FBGPTRA under this Agreement, plus interest, within 30 days of receiving the bond proceeds. The interest rate shall be 2% per annum. If the FBGPTRA has not sold bonds within fifteen (15) years of the date of this Agreement, then the FBGPTRA shall reimburse the County from revenues lawfully available for such purpose.
- 4. <u>Amendment</u>. This Agreement may be amended only by the mutual agreement of the Parties evidenced by a written amendment.
- 5. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision, covenant, agreement or portion of this Agreement, or its application to any person, entity or property, is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the application or validity of any other provisions, covenants, agreements or portions of this Agreement and, to that end, all provisions, covenants, agreements or portions of this Agreement are declared to be severable.
- 6. <u>Texas Law</u>. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and any actions concerning this Agreement shall be brought in either the Texas State District Courts of Fort Bend County, Texas or the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas.
- 7. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same agreement.
- 8. <u>Term of Agreement</u>. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the date first above written and shall continue until the date (the "Termination Date") on which the FBGPTRA has fully reimbursed the County for all amounts advanced to the FBGPTRA under this Agreement and interest on such amounts in accordance with Section 2 of this Agreement.

9. <u>Interpretation</u>. This Agreement has been jointly negotiated by the Parties and shall not be construed against a Party because that Party may have primarily assumed responsibility for the drafting of this Agreement.

[Remainder of page intentionally left blank.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have duly executed this Agreement pursuant to all requisite authorizations as of the date first above written.

FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

Robert Hebert

County Judge

ATTEST:

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County Clerk

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Auditor's Certificate

I hereby certify that funds in the Fort Bend County Treasury are available in the amount of \$10,000,000.00 to pay the obligations of Fort Bend County under and within the foregoing agreement.

Robert Ed Sturdivant

County Auditor

Fort Bend County, Texas

FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY **TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY**

Chairman

ATTEST:

Name: Charles Rencher
Title: Secretary, Board of Directors