

RESOLUTION 10-00

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF BERTHOUD, LARIMER AND WELD COUNTIES, COLORADO SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED HIGHWAY 287 BYPASS TO BETTER SUPPORT ECONOMIC VIABILITY OF COMMERCIAL AND RETAIL BUSINESSES

Whereas, the Colorado Department of Transportation has designated that portion of the proposed State Highway 287 that bypasses the Town of Berthoud as "EX" which will not allow direct public or private access from the highway in order to move traffic safely and efficiently, and

Whereas, the proposed Highway 287 bypass will divert traffic from the traditional downtown commercial corridor, thereby diminishing the volume of traffic through that corridor, and

Whereas, the economic health of the Town of Berthoud is dependent on successful businesses within its corporate boundaries, and

Whereas, the Town of Berthoud has designated the intersection of the proposed Highway 287 Bypass and Highway 56 as an important commercial node in its Land Use Plan, and

Whereas, businesses along the proposed Highway 287 Bypass and commercial node will be severely compromised unless safe and convenient access for ingress to the commercial areas is permitted

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF BERTHOUD THAT:

Section 1. The Town of Berthoud recommends that The Colorado Department of Transportation acknowledge that certain access along the proposed 287 corridor is essential to offset the immediate loss of business from the Highway rerouting and to insure a future revenue stream to the Town of Berthoud.

Section 2. The Town of Berthoud recommends that CDOT engineers seriously consider that access should include the following:

A. Access points (one-quarter turning movement or more) from Highway 287 Bypass to Incorporated parcels being divided by the proposed Highway 287 within 1,000 feet of signalized intersections.

B. Access points (full turning movement or less) along the frontage of Incorporated properties that border State Highway 56, east and west of the intersection of the proposed 287 Bypass alignment and Highway 56 within 500 feet of signalized intersections.

Section 3. The location of access points shall be determined by the regulatory requirement of the State of Colorado Access Code, and may be configured using traffic control devices.

Section 4. The Board of Trustees agrees to work in a spirit of cooperation with the Colorado Department of Transportation toward resolution of issues.

Section 5. The Board of Trustees agree to entertain open and thoughtful consideration of project proposals that may request access to the 287 Bypass through the Berthoud Town Limits, to limit access as much as possible to maintain the integrity and intent of the Bypass while protecting economic viability of proposed businesses along the corridors.

Passed and adopted 6 yeas, 1 nays, at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held this 13th day of June, 2000.

Milan Karspeck
Milan Karspeck, Mayor

Attest:

Mary K. Cowdin
Mary K. Cowdin, Town Clerk