## GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

## **RESOLUTION NO. 13-06**

WHEREAS, the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority ("NET RMA") was created pursuant to the request of Gregg and Smith Counties and in accordance with provisions of the Transportation Code and the petition and approval process established in 43 Tex. Admin. Code § 26.1, et seq. (the "RMA Rules"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the NET RMA has been constituted in accordance with the Transportation Code and the RMA Rules; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the initial formation of the NET RMA the Counties of Cherokee, Rusk, Harrison, Upshur, Bowie, Panola, Wood, Cass, Van Zandt, and Titus joined the Authority and are represented on the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA, NDMJ, Ltd. Transportation ("NDMJ"), Gregg County, and Smith County have a shared interest in improving public transportation in the East Texas region; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA, the East Texas Council of Governments ("ETCOG"), NDMJ, and Smith County previously formed the East Texas Regional Transportation Partners ("ETRTP"), jointly submitted a proposal to the Texas Department of Transportation ("TxDOT") to request funds from the Job Access and Reverse Commute ("JARC") and New Freedom programs, and agreed to engage in joint efforts to promote and advance public transportation needs in the East Texas region; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 12-09, dated January 18, 2012, the NET RMA Board of Directors approved entry into a Memorandum of Agreement (the "MOU") with ETCOG, NDMJ, and Smith County regarding the formation of ETRTP and the roles and responsibilities of the parties, and the MOU was subsequently executed by the NET RMA, ETCOG, NDMJ, and Smith County; and

WHEREAS, the parties now desire to amend the MOU to make Gregg County a party thereto, remove ETCOG as a party, provide for the procurement of the services of a project architect, and make various other changes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the amended MOU, the NET RMA will serve as the fiscal agent for ETRTP in the event that grant funds are awarded.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the NET RMA authorizes NET RMA representatives to negotiate and finalize a First Amended East Texas Regional Transportation Partners Memorandum of Understanding setting forth the roles and responsibilities of the parties thereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair or her designee is authorized to execute the MOU on behalf of the NET RMA.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 22nd day of January, 2013.

Submitted and reviewed by:

General Counsel for the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority Approved:

Linda Ryan Thomas

Chair, Board of Directors Resolution Number 13-06

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