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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES

The meeting was called to order by Sen. Bill Morris at _____
Chairperson

9:02 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on January 25, 1989 in room 254-E of the Capitol.

Members present were:

Senators Morris, Doyen, Francisco, Hayden, Kanan, F. Kerr, Martin, Rock Sallee, Thiessen and Vidricksen.

Committee staff present:

Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Ben Barrett, Legislative Research Department
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes
Louise Cunningham, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Willie Martin, Intergovernmental Coordinator, Sedgwick County

Hearing on S.B.41 - Providing for construction and operation of turnpike interchanges and financing thereof.

Willie Martin, Sedgwick County, requested support of this bill which would provide authority for the Kansas Turnpike Authority and Sedgwick County to contract for the construction of an interchange at the intersection of the Kansas Turnpike and K-96 by-pass. The County had provided initial financing for two other interchanges in the Wichita area and one had also been built near Haysville. A copy of her statement is attached. (Attachment 1).

Steve Lackey, City of Wichita, submitted a prepared statement in support of S.B. 41. A copy of his statement is attached. (Attachment 2).

The Haysville interchange was financed differently from the other two interchanges and Sedgwick County wanted this new interchange to be funded as Haysville. The County would pay for it and be reimbursed when the bonds are retired.

A conceptual motion was made by Sen. Martin and was seconded by Sen. Hayden to have the financing the same as it was for the Haysville interchange. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sen. Martin to recommend S.B. 41, as amended, favorable for passage. Motion was seconded by Sen. Rock. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sen. F. Kerr and was seconded by Sen. Sallee to approve the Minutes of January 18, 1989. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.



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DATE: JANUARY 25, 1989

TO: SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

FROM: WILLIE MARTIN
SEDGWICK COUNTY

REF: SENATE BILL 41

Sedgwick County supports Senate Bill 41 which provides the authority for the Kansas Turnpike Authority (KTA) and Sedgwick County to contract for the construction of an interchange at the intersection of the Kansas Turnpike and K-96. Such an interchange would be heavily utilized, with more than enough toll revenue to pay the operational costs of the interchange.

Sedgwick County has an established track record regarding interchange projects in cooperation with the KTA. The County provided the initial financing for the new interchanges near Andover and Mulvane, based on similar legislation enacted in 1982. These two projects have greatly increased the utility of the Kansas Turnpike to the Sedgwick County area. Legislation was passed in 1987 providing the same funding mechanism and construction of an interchange on the Kansas Turnpike near Haysville, at 71st Street South.

The Sedgwick County Commission respectfully requests the Committee's support of this legislation.

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THE CITY OF WICHITA

January 25, 1989

**DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS**

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455 NORTH MAIN STREET
WICHITA, KANSAS 67202

Bill Morris, Chairman
Senate Transportation Committee
State Capitol Building
Topeka, Kansas 66612

RE: Senate Bill No. 41

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The City of Wichita supports SB No. 41 which, from the City of Wichita's perspective, would be beneficial for the ultimate development of the K-96 Bypass. The Bill would allow the construction of the interchange of K-96 and the Kansas Turnpike, which in turn could be connected to U.S. 54. The construction of this interchange then would provide the much needed connection of a State route, Federal route, the Turnpike, and the final tie-in of a belt-way around the City of Wichita.

The City of Wichita, Sedgwick County, Kansas Department of Transportation, and the Federal Highway Administration has worked in a partnership to develop the K-96 Bypass corridor. Plans and specifications and needed right of way acquisition for the project within the City limits will be completed by June of 1989. Sedgwick County is designing a similar facility in their portion of the corridor. The proposed interchange provides a critical link to the ultimate completion of the facility.

As stated before in testimony to this committee, the K-96 Bypass project is vital to the transportation system for the State of Kansas and the City of Wichita. Therefore, because of the possibility of building the interchange with the Kansas Turnpike Authority and its ultimate relationship to the proposed Bypass project, the City of Wichita supports Senate Bill No. 41.

Very truly yours,



Steve Lackey, P.E., Director
Department of Public Works

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