RESOLUTION NO. 2016-168 CITY OF SHOREACRES

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES OPPOSING THE GULF COAST COMMUNITY PROTECTION AND RECOVERY DISTRICT (GCCPRD) STORM SUPRESSION STUDY CENTRAL REGION ALTERNATIVE #2 (CR #2); PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF SUCH RESOLUTION TO GCCPRD, REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND STATE LEGISLATORS THAT REPRESENT THE CITY OF SHOREACRES; AND, CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT; AND, FINDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW.

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WHEREAS, storm suppression alternatives have been published by GCCPRD identifying potential alternatives to the Harris County/Galveston County region; and

WHEREAS, an alternative in the report known as CR#2 (2.2.2.2 Central Region Alternate #2 (CR#2) — Texas City Levee Modifications and Extensions North (SH-146) and West-Galveston Ring Levee) has recommended a levee along SH 146 from Dickenson Bayou north through Shoreacres; and

WHEREAS, the levee proposed in CR#2 would have elevations ranging from 21.5 feet to 27 feet; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreacres, Texas (the "City") is located in Harris County directly in the path of the proposed project site with a population of 1,500 and is a community that is located between Galveston Bay on the east side and SH 146 on the west; and

WHEREAS, CR#2 would place all of our residents in harm's way for being on the "wrong" side of the levee; and

WHEREAS, the region to which the City of Seabrook is also home is North America's largest concentration of petroleum refining and petrochemical processing plants causing an economic impact to our region; and

WHEREAS, the City strongly opposes and does not support that CR#2 should remain an alternative to any study moving forward because of the consequences such a measure could have on the community and the region; and

WHEREAS, Shoreacres, Texas, residents are affected by storm surge and sub-tropical coastal rain events; and

WHEREAS, The 2008 landfall of Hurricane IKE produced massive flooding and storm surge damage in Shoreacres east of State Highway 146; and

WHEREAS, The GCCPRD Phase Two Report indicates that not only would the storm-surge suppression alternative called Central Region Alternative No. 2 (CR #2) fail to protect areas of communities seaward of State Highway 146, but also specifically fails to protect the Houston Ship Channel areas upstream of the northern portion of coastal communities; and

WHEREAS, Any unprotected storm surge inundation will not only affect the physical state of improvements of coastal residents, businesses and industries contending with such an event, but will also have severe impacts on the environment and continued employment at facilities damaged, as well as exacerbating flood insurance costs with increasing depth of flooding for those unprotected by CR #2; and

WHEREAS, The City of Shoreacres, does not accept the notion that areas of lower elevation seaward of CR #2 fronting Galveston Bay should be considered collateral damage from the impacts of a storm surge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. The matters and facts recited in the preamble to this Resolution are found to be true and correct and the same are incorporated herein as a part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The City of Shoreacres hereby agrees that industries along the Houston Ship Channel should be protected, but opposes the CR #2 concept in its current form due to storm surge impacts that have been represented to disproportionately increase damage for unprotected areas of all coastal communities, the Houston Ship Channel and communities that front western Galveston Bay.

Section 3. The City of Shoreacres fails to recognize how the Benefit Cost figures denoted in the GCCPRD Phase Two Report can find that an unprotected Houston Ship Channel and an unprotected area seaward of State Highway 146 can result in the Higher Benefit Cost Ratio with CR #2 when compared to CR #1, which has a positive analysis.

Section 4. The City of Shoreacres hereby directs the City Secretary to send this Resolution to the GCCPRD, as well as area regional economic development agencies and all State of Texas Legislators that represent the area.

Section 5. The City Council officially finds, determines, recites, and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this resolution and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th day of April, 2016.

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