



SMALL TOWN, BIG BEACH

COUNCIL AGENDA SUMMARY

DATE: September 28, 2020

TO: Mayor, City Council

FROM: Steve Griffin, City Administrator

ISSUE: Request that the City Council approve a resolution in support of Amendment 2 on the Baldwin County General Election ballot November 3, 2020 a local, constitutional amendment proposing a toll authority to oversee the expansion of the Baldwin Beach Express with a new 24.5 mile roadway, the Baldwin Beach Express II, connecting Interstate 10 to Interstate 65

BACKGROUND: Amendment 2 on the General Election ballot proposes the establishment of a toll authority to oversee this roadway extension, projected to cost \$200 million, to be fully paid for by users of the new roadway. Development of the proposed new roadway will be an alternative to any and all current transportation routes or roadways.

Baldwin County has experienced rapid growth and development making this proposed roadway critical infrastructure. An additional roadway will secure an additional safe and efficient alternative evacuation route for Baldwin County / Gulf Shores residents and visitors during hurricane season and provide an additional route for public safety and health officers to assist the community in the advent of a natural disaster.

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend the City Council support Amendment 2 and approve the attached resolution.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS: Not applicable

ATTACHMENTS: Draft recommended resolution

DEPARTMENT: Executive Department

STAFF CONTACT: Steve Griffin, City Administrator