

RESOLUTION NO. 63-79
CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN J. V. STONE ON THE 17TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1979.

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CITY COUNCIL'S POSITION WITH
RESPECT TO THE COMPLETION OF THE I-675 CONNECTOR.

The Council of the City of Centerville adopts the following position with respect to the completion of the I-675 connector:

1. The Council is displeased with the decision of the U.S. Secretary of Transportation to deny our region an interstate connector where the transportation need has been documented and proven over a period of twenty years. This decision was made contrary to the votes of thirty (30) jurisdictions in May, 1979 which reaffirmed support for the connector, compared to only two (2) jurisdictions which were against the connector. This, the representatives of only 190,000 people of a total of 850,000 citizens of the region were permitted to prevail in the Secretary's decision.

2. While the Council is willing to coordinate with the Transportation Coordinating Committee in an alternative which could result in a four-lane roadway from U.S. Route 35 to Interstate 75, it is the Council's considered opinion that a down-graded four-lane highway, as suggested by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, would be less desirable than an interstate connector both environmentally and from the standpoint of traffic safety.

3. The Council feels that extension of I-675 southward to a terminus at U.S. 35 will cause increased traffic on thoroughfares of southeast Montgomery and southwest Greene counties as people seek access to I-675 to proceed to and from Wright State University, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Columbus and other points east of Dayton.


4. The Council believes that an I-675 terminus at U.S. 35 will result in increased hazards because of higher traffic volumes at the U.S. 35 and I-75 interchange which decrease to one lane of traffic in each direction.

5. Because of the critical need for transportation improvements in areas that would be served by the interstate connector the Council believes that any and all residual moneys resulting from the Secretary's decision should be expended for such needs and not be diverted to other projects outside the corridor connector areas.

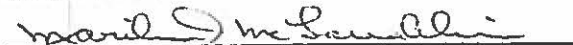
6. The Council urges that the highest priority be given by the Ohio Department of Transportation and the U.S. Department of Transportation to improvements that have been corollary to the Interstate 675 projects, the greatest need being the widening of State Route 725 to five lanes, since this roadway has a present volume of some 40,000 cars per day. The Council urges immediate action to devise ways to accomplish this project independently of further considerations that may occur with respect to I-675.

7. Concurrently with any efforts to deal with an alternative to the I-675 connector and for accomplishing a separate State Route 725 project, the Council expresses its support and urges the Ohio Department of Transportation to explore all alternatives and legal procedures in efforts to reinstate the requirement for full completion of the I-675 connector as planned.

PASSED this 17th day of December, 1979.

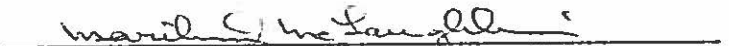

Mayor of the City of Centerville, Ohio

ATTEST:


Clerk of the Council of the
City of Centerville, Ohio

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Clerk of the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, hereby certifies the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Resolution Number 63-79, passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, on the 17th day of December, 1979.


Clerk of the Council

Approved as to form, consistency
with existing ordinances, the
charter & constitutional provisions.
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