## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Claire Powell, City Manager

**FROM:** Richard E. Luedke, AICP, Planning Director

**DATE:** September 9, 2024

SUBJECT: Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Interlocal Agreement With the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for Gateway Signage.

## BACKGROUND

The Southwest Lewisville Small Area Plan called for more gateway entry features to announce entrance into Lewisville. Staff initially looked at putting a sign in an easement on the southeast corner of Duncan Lane and FM 3040 (Round Grove Road). However, the visibility of this location would be impaired by traffic signal poles and utility poles. Staff reached out to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for a location in the median east of the Old Orchard Lane/Duncan Lane intersection and were directed to their monument sign program. The sign would match the existing monument entry signs in Lewisville.

## ANALYSIS

During the drafting of the interlocal agreement, TxDOT requested that the two gateway monument signs that currently exist in TxDOT rights-of-way and that were built with previous Green Ribbon Projects be included in the interlocal agreement. These signs are located on FM 407 (Justin Road) and State Highway 121 Business. This interlocal agreement would incorporate the two existing signs and add a third location on FM 3040 (Round Grove Road). The sign design is the same.

Attached is the draft interlocal agreement with exhibits showing the three locations and the sign design. TxDOT requires a resolution or ordinance number to proceed with the agreement. Once the agreement is signed, staff estimates the sign will cost approximately \$40,000 to build and funds are available from those dedicated to small area plan implementation.

## **<u>CITY STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION:</u>**

That the City Council approve the resolution as set forth in the caption above.