

**CITY OF SEABROOK  
RESOLUTION 2016-09**

**OPPOSING CENTRAL REGION ALTERNATIVE DESIGN #2 (CR#2)  
STORM SUPPRESSION ALTERNATIVE BY GCCPRD**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEABROOK, TEXAS, OPPOSING THE CONCEPT AND ANY ACTION TO PURSUE STORM SUPPRESSION ALTERNATIVE #2 (CR#2) FROM THE FEBRUARY 23, 2016, PHASE 2 REPORT BY THE GULF COAST COMMUNITY PROTECTION AND RECOVERY DISTRICT ("GCCPRD") AND PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF SUCH RESOLUTION TO GCCPRD, REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND STATE LEGISLATORS THAT REPRESENT THE CITY OF SEABROOK.**

**WHEREAS**, storm suppression alternatives have been published by GCCPRD identifying potential alternatives to the Harris County/Galveston County region and this district will be holding a public hearing to evaluate moving into Phase 3 of the study on March 22, 2016; 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 Seabrook to Old La Porte Road; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the City of Seabrook, Texas (the "City"), is located in Harris County directly in the middle of the proposed project site with a population of 12,288 and is a community that is bordered by Galveston Bay on the east side and Clear Lake along the south; and

**WHEREAS**, the Texas Department of Transportation ("TXDOT") is actively in design at almost 60% on the SH 146 Expansion Project and will be starting construction in 2018 in the City of Seabrook limits; and

**WHEREAS**, SH 146 Expansion Project includes the acquisition of 62 businesses along SH 146 and further economic impact to this corridor would be certain detriment to the economic base of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, CR#2 would place many of our residents and additional businesses supporting the City's economic stability into 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**, in 2013 the City opposed by Resolution 2013-23, the "Centennial Gate" concept by the Rice University Severe Storm Prediction, Education and Evacuation from Disasters ("SSPEED") Center because of its potential impacts for the low elevation areas seaward impacting our community and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is in support of a storm suppression solution and in 2015 supported by Resolution 2015-21 that a Coastal Barrier System study be funded and eventually constructed to safeguard Houston/Galveston Region from storm surge and sub-tropical rain events; 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;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The City Council of the City of Seabrook agrees that a storm suppression alternative needs to be studied, funded and constructed but opposes CR#2 by GCCPRD to secure and protect the City of Seabrook residents and businesses from permanent damage and loss.

**PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Seabrook this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

  
Glenn Royal, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Robin Hicks, TRMC  
City Secretary

