

RESOLUTION R 2023-04-00540

[Opposition of the McKinney National Airport (TKI) Expansion]

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUCAS, TEXAS, CONCERNING THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE MCKINNEY NATIONAL AIRPORT (TKI) TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL TERMINALS AND COMMERCIAL PASSENGER SERVICE, OPPOSING ANY PLANNED EXPANSION THAT MIGHT NEGATIVELY IMPACT THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF LUCAS, TEXAS.

WHEREAS, the City of McKinney has announced the planned expansion of the McKinney National Airport (TKI) with commercial passenger airline service; and

WHEREAS, the City of McKinney has called a bond election for May of 2023 to provide funding to construct a commercial passenger terminal and associated improvements; and

WHEREAS, that City of Lucas is located on the flight path on the southern end of the airport and runway; and

WHEREAS, the largest density population reflected to be served by the proposed commercial passenger flights lies south and west of McKinney National Airport (TKI); and

WHEREAS, the City of McKinney has not engaged or completed any measurable environmental studies that gauge or address the impact of noise, air pollution, water pollution, or traffic congestion that would negatively impact the general public living in the proximity the airport; and

WHEREAS,, the residents of the City of Lucas are already negatively impacted by the flight patterns over the City of Lucas today resulting in increased noise and other adverse environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of Lucas are currently negatively impacted by traffic attempting to avoid the congested major thoroughfares by using the City of Lucas neighborhood collectors to gain access to the City of McKinney and the McKinney National Airport (TKI); and

WHEREAS, if commercial passenger service is initiated at TKI, larger and noisier airplanes will be placed into service traveling over the City of Lucas, as well as the additional generation of passenger vehicles attempting to get to TKI from the densely populated areas traveling through the City of Lucas; and

WHEREAS, the impact of this increased noise and vehicular traffic would be borne by the resident of the City of Lucas, further negatively impacting their health, safety, quality of life, and enjoyment of their property;

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

The Federal Aviation Administration and the City of McKinney are hereby notified that the City of Lucas opposes any expansion of the McKinney National Airport (TKI) that would negatively impact the residents of the City of Lucas, including but not limited to the construction of a passenger terminal for providing commercial airline services. It is the opinion of the City of Lucas that there are other airports in the North Texas area (i.e., North Texas Regional Airport/Perrin Field) that would be better suited to providing commercial passenger service without the extremely negative impacts to established communities and neighborhoods as are present with this proposal.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Lucas on this 6th day of April, 2023.

Jim Olk, Mayor

ATTEST:

Erin Day, City Secretar