

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-02

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TATUM, TEXAS TO JOIN A COALITION OF CITIES AND OTHER GROUPS, CALLED "TEXANS FOR AFFORDABLE & RELIABLE POWER" (TARP), TO ENSURE THE TIMELY CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF NEW POWER PLANTS IN TEXAS TO MEET THE GROWING NEEDS OF FAMILIES AND BUSINESSES IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND TO PRESERVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE, INCLUDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS, AND ACCESS TO A RELIABLE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY AT REASONABLE PRICES.**

**WHEREAS,** Texas local governments and local government organization are dedicated to providing citizens an opportunity for an improved quality of life.

**WHEREAS,** the quality of life is achieved through the proper balancing of many factors, including public health & safety, economic development & job opportunities, and availability of essential infrastructure services (e.g. roads, utilities, etc.) at reasonable costs.

**WHEREAS,** it is the duty of the local government to promote public health & safety, economic development, and to provide essential infrastructure needs for its citizens.

**WHEREAS,** TXU is proposing to construct and operate new power facilities to meet the growing need for affordable and reliable electricity in Texas, create economic development and jobs for our local citizens, and increase our local tax revenue for our schools, counties and cities through large investments in these facilities.

**WHEREAS,** new technologies are now available to improve the efficiency and reduce emissions from these new power facilities, and to retrofit existing power facilities, resulting in improved air quality for our citizens.

**WHEREAS,** certain large cities and counties with interests inconsistent with our community, are threatening to interfere with our quality of life by slowing down and/or stopping the permitting and construction of these new, more efficient and clean power plants, resulting in loss of economic opportunities for our citizens, harm to our environment, increased risk of blackouts and brownouts, in Texas, and higher prices for electricity supply.

**WHEREAS,** the coalition, TARP, is committed to protecting the interest of local communities and families across Texas from adverse interests with unreasonable demands that will increase the risk of reliability problems in Texas, increase cost of producing electricity, harm economic development opportunities, eliminate opportunities for air quality improvements, and place at risk the essential services provided by our local government.

WHEREAS, TARP seeks to ensure that state and federal governments adequately consider the interest of all interested individuals and groups to ensure the public's health and safety in a timely manner, without undue red-tape and delay in permitting these facilities.

WHEREAS, TARP seeks to assist the Texas Legislature to understand all aspects of the power needs of the state, including economic development, electricity costs, environmental issues and jobs, that promote sound public policy in the state.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Tatum, Texas further finds that Phil Corey, Mayor of Tatum, should be appointed as the official representative for the City Council of Tatum to TARP and authorized to act and vote on the City's behalf in all respects in relation to the TARP coalition.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Tatum retains the right to withdraw from this coalition at any time it believes it's interests are not being properly represented by TARP.

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

- Section I. The recitals contained in the preamble of this Resolution are determined to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as part of this Resolution.
- Section II. The City of Tatum accepts membership in Texans for Affordable and Reliable Power.
- Section III. The City of Tatum hereby appoints Phil Corey, Mayor of Tatum, to serve as the City of Tatum's representative to TARP.
- Section IV. The City of Tatum agrees that it's representative to TARP is authorized to take those steps that are reasonable and necessary to comply with the intent of the Resolution, but does not include the expenditure of city funds, without appropriate counsel approval.
- Section V. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

SIGNED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

ATTEST:

Shelly Williams (City Secretary)

Phil Corey  
Phil Corey, Mayor of Tatum