

RESOLUTION No. 18-09-20-11

A RESOLUTION BY THE CORINTH CITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZING THE NECESSITY OF PROTECTING THE NATURAL AREAS "GREENBELTS" ADJACENT TO CREEKS AND OTHER WATERWAYS; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREMISES; ADOPTING THE DENTON COUNTY GREENBELT PLAN ("PLAN") AS A TOOL FOR PRESERVING GREENBELTS; ENDORSING THE PLAN AS AN URGENT REGIONAL PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY, CITIES, TOWNS AND UTILITIES TO HELP PROTECT WATER QUALITY IN LOCAL WATERSHEDS; AND EXPRESSING THE CITY OF CORINTH'S INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN IMPLEMENTING STRATEGIES THAT WILL PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT AND SAFEGUARD THE PUBLIC WELFARE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Corinth, Texas is a home rule municipality located in the Lewisville Lake watershed; and

WHEREAS, the City of Corinth recognizes that the long-term prosperity and success of Corinth depends on an adequate and safe drinking water supply, without it our economy cannot grow or prosper; and

WHEREAS, as growth and development continue across the region, population in this watershed is expected to continue to increase, rapidly transforming from a rural setting to an area with urban characteristics; and

WHEREAS, communities, including Corinth, are knitted together by many water courses that extend into and through neighborhoods, transporting water to the nearest creek or lake -- the sources of our drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the vegetated areas along creeks and rivers, also known as greenbelts, provide a buffer between homes, farms and the neighboring creeks; filtering out harmful pollutants, such as soil, silt, fertilizers and pesticides before they reach the creeks and rivers thereby protecting the quality of water "right where we live"; and

WHEREAS, the Corinth City Council, along with other County and Regional entities, believe that protecting and preserving local greenbelts today cost very little in comparison to restoring them in the future; and

WHEREAS, Denton County, the Upper Trinity Regional Water District and Upper Trinity Conservation Trust developed the Plan as a coordinated effort to identify priority greenbelt areas and other related natural assets in need of preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Plan has identified priority greenbelts near Corinth, and provides strategies that can be implemented on a voluntary basis to help protect our water supply sources; and

WHEREAS, to help champion the Plan, Denton County is creating a Coordinating Committee, which Corinth will be eligible to participate, as a supporter of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is advisable to advance the Plan in a cooperative voluntary manner with neighboring communities, considering appropriate policies and actions that will help preserve and protect water resources and enhance the quality of life for all Denton County residents.

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

SECTION 1. That all matters stated in the preamble are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated into the body of this Resolution as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION 2. That the Corinth City Council does hereby adopt the Denton County Greenbelt Plan ("Plan") attached hereto as Exhibits "A" and "B" to be used as a convenient guide in preserving and protecting greenbelts within the City of Corinth's jurisdiction - - to help protect the watershed, right where we live, knowing that the quality of life for our people depend on the preservation of these irreplaceable water assets.

SECTION 3. That the Corinth City Council does hereby direct its staff to review the Plan for timely recommendations and for incorporation of appropriate items into Corinth's policies, practices and standards, subject to the approval of the Corinth City Council- - enacting appropriate ordinances, zoning requirements or other measures that will protect greenbelts within our local jurisdiction.

SECTION 4. To help achieve the preservation and protection of local greenbelts, the Corinth City Council hereby expresses its intent to participate on the Coordinating Committee to be formed by Denton County; and will work with Denton County, Upper Trinity and other stakeholders to implement strategies and best management practices for the protection of our watershed.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 20th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018

By: Paul Kerk

Attest: Kimberly Jena

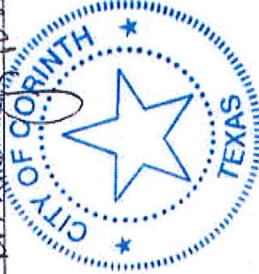


Exhibit "A"
Corinth Greenbelt Plan Opportunities

City of Corinth

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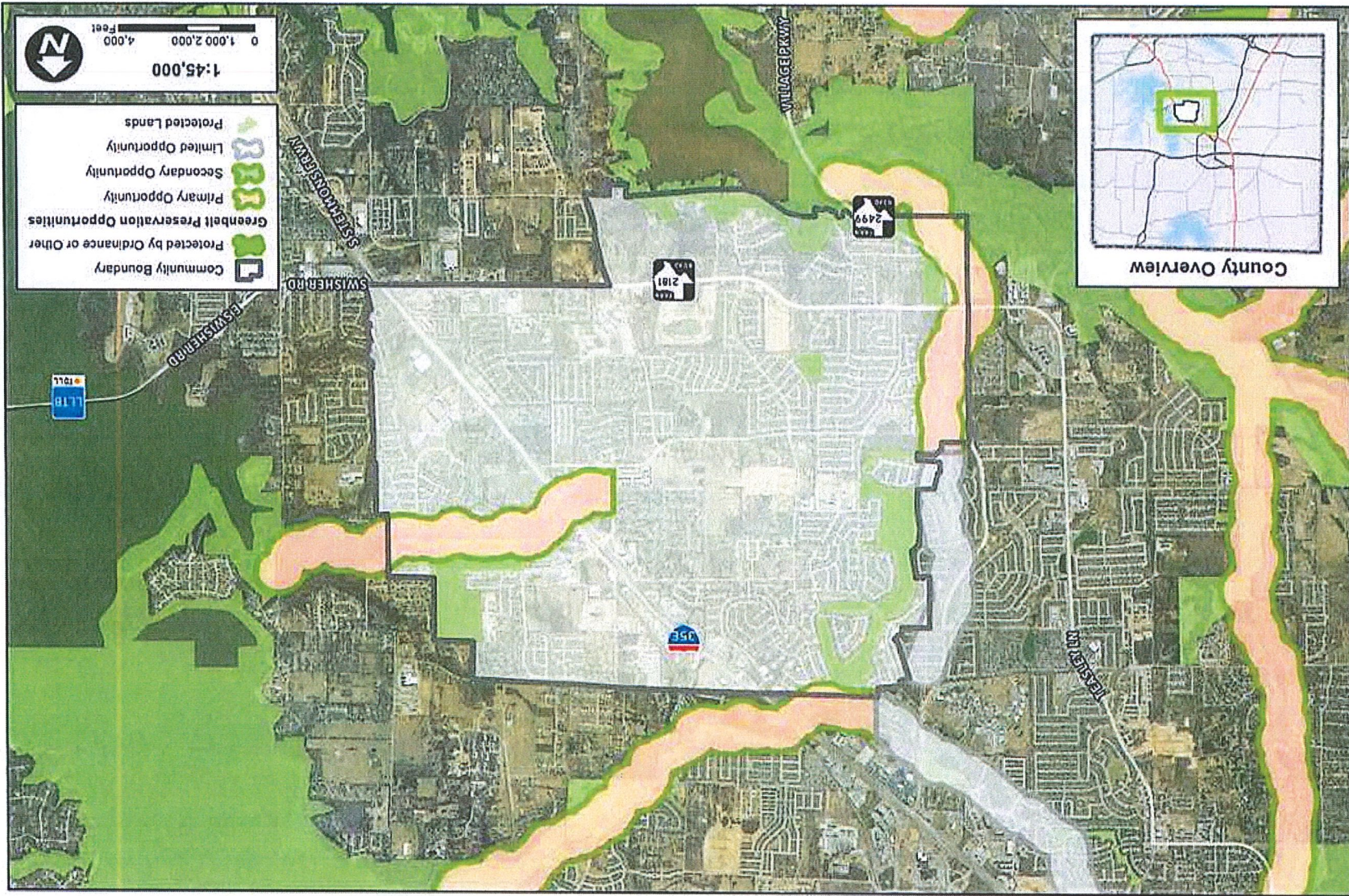
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Exhibit "B"
Denton County Greenbelt Plan