## Resolution – HPTE #313

## Approving the Third Amendment to the Central 70 Project Agreement

WHEREAS, the General Assembly created the Colorado High Performance Transportation Enterprise ("HPTE") pursuant to Section 43-4-806, C.R.S., as a government-owned business within the Colorado Department of Transportation ("CDOT") to pursue innovative means of more efficiently financing important surface transportation projects that will improve the safety, capacity, and accessibility of the surface transportation system; and

**WHEREAS**, the General Assembly created the Colorado Bridge Enterprise ("BE") pursuant to Section 43-4-805, C.R.S., as a government-owned business within CDOT to accelerate the repair and reconstruction of deficient bridges further defined as structures that are "poor"; and

**WHEREAS**, the HPTE Board of Directors (the "HPTE Board") is empowered, pursuant to Section 43-4-806(6)(g), C.R.S., to enter into contracts or agreements with any private or public entity to facilitate a public-private partnership; and

**WHEREAS**, the BE Board of Directors (the "BE Board") is similarly empowered, pursuant to Section 43-4-805(5)(h)(II), C.R.S., to enter into agreements pursuant to which a private entity designs, develops, constructs, reconstructs, repairs, operates, or maintains all or any portion of a designated bridge project on behalf of BE; and

**WHEREAS,** HPTE and BE (together, the "Enterprises") are, at the direction of the Colorado Transportation Commission and in collaboration with CDOT, jointly procuring the design, construction, financing, operations, and maintenance of the reconstruction of the 9.4-mile portion of the I-70 East Corridor in the Denver area (the "Central 70 Project" or the "Project") as a public-private partnership; and

**WHEREAS**, the HPTE Board and BE Board have each reviewed multiple drafts of the Project Agreement and related agreements over the course of the procurement and, on March 3, 2017, the HPTE Board and BE Board each received and reviewed a final draft form of the Project Agreement, which were subsequently released to four shortlisted proposer teams as the Final Request for Proposals ("Final RFP"); and

**WHEREAS,** the Enterprises, in collaboration with CDOT, conducted a robust evaluation of the four proposals and, on August 24, 2017, selected Kiewit Meridiam Partners ("KMP" or "Developer") as the preferred proposer; and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2017, the HPTE Board and the BE Board approved a final Project Agreement for the Central 70 Project (the "Project Agreement") incorporating a main body and twenty-nine schedules, sets forth the rights and obligations of the Enterprises and the Developer with respect to the design, construction, operations, maintenance, renewal and replacement of the Project, during both the construction period and 30-year operating period, including, *inter alia*, provisions related to the design and

construction requirements for the Project, milestone payments to the Developer during construction, performance payments to the Developer during operations, financial close procedures, risk allocation between the Enterprises and the Developer, change procedures, insurance and indemnity requirements, defaults, and termination provisions; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the Project Agreement ("First Amendment to the Project Agreement"), which was contemplated in the form of the Project Agreement approved by the HPTE Board and BE Board on November 15, 2017, updated the Project Agreement Milestone Completion and Substantial Completion Dates to account for the actual date of Financial Close that occurred on December 21, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the Enterprises and the Developer effectuated a second amendment to the Project Agreement ("Second Amendment to the Project Agreement"), which amended the Project timeline, added Milestones, and created additional details thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Enterprises and Developer now desire to effectuate a third amendment to the Project Agreement ("Third Amendment to the Project Agreement"), which is needed to amend certain Definitions related to Closure Default Events and Noncompliance Default Event Thresholds in consideration of KMP withdrawing certain Supervening Event Submissions while adhering to Project First initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, the HPTE Board has reviewed the Third Amendment to the Project Agreement for the Central 70 Project and now desires to approve and authorize execution of the same as part of the changes to the Project.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the HPTE Board hereby approves the Third Amendment to the Project Agreement for the Central 70 Project in substantially the form presented to the HPTE Board prior to the meeting at which this Resolution is adopted, with such changes thereto, not inconsistent with this Resolution, as may be approved by both the HPTE Director, or his designee, and the office of the Colorado Attorney General.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the HPTE Board hereby authorizes the HPTE Director or his designee to execute and deliver the Third Amendment to the Project Agreement for the Central 70 Project and to deliver such other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or convenient to the accomplishment of the purposes of this Resolution.

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Secretary, HPTE Board		

Signed as of November 20, 2019