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November 23, 2015

Ms. Amy Blair
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Kansas City District, Room 529
601 E. 12th Street
Kansas City, MO 64016

Re: Next NGA West (NGW)
Draft EIS Comments – Resolutions of Support

Dear Ms. Blair:

St. Clair County is excited to be considered by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) as a potential home for the NGA's western headquarters. St. Clair County unequivocally believes that the Scott AFB (St. Clair) site best meets the needs of the NGA based on all levels of criteria, including support of the NGA's mission, existing and available workforce, security, cost, schedule, and sustainability.

The Scott AFB site has tremendous regional support as is evidenced by the enclosed package of support resolutions and letters from surrounding communities:

- City of Belleville, Illinois
- City of Breese, Illinois
- City of Collinsville, Illinois
- City of Columbia, Illinois
- City of Fairview Heights, Illinois
- Village of Freeburg, Illinois
- Village of Glen Carbon, Illinois
- Village of Godfrey, Illinois
- City of Highland, Illinois
- City of Madison, Illinois
- Village of Maryville, Illinois
- City of Mascoutah, Illinois
- Village of New Athens, Illinois
- City of O'Fallon, Illinois
- Village of Smithton, Illinois
- City of Waterloo, Illinois
- City of Wood River, Illinois

Some of these and others which we haven't yet received have already been forwarded to the USACE.

Additionally, the engineering firm of Rhutasel and Associates requested we forward the attached letter of support on their behalf.

Respectfully,

Mark A. Kern, Chairman
St. Clair County Board

Enclosures

RESOLUTION NO. 3247

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE
SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL
GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY**

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site meets the needs of the NGA, with modern utilities and communications infrastructure and room for expansion. It is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination and is proposed to be the least cost option, with zero land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs; and

WHEREAS, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and

WHEREAS, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not paying the 1% earnings tax and enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and,

WHEREAS, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site; and

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison and St. Clair counties, including the City of Belleville;

NOW, THEREEFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belleville, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Belleville, Illinois hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

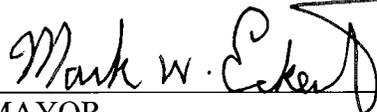
Section 2. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Belleville, Illinois, on this 16th day of November, 2015 on the following roll call vote:

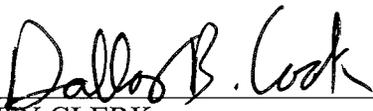
	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Joseph Hazel	<u>X</u>	_____
Ken Kinsella	<u>X</u>	_____
Janet Schmidt	<u>X</u>	_____
Michael Buettner	<u>X</u>	_____
Kent Randle	<u>X</u>	_____
Scott Tyler	<u>X</u>	_____
Johnnie Anthony	<u>X</u>	_____
Raffi Ovian	<u>X</u>	_____
Edward Dintelman	<u>X</u>	_____
Phillip Silsby	<u>X</u>	_____
Paul Seibert	<u>X</u>	_____
Bob White	<u>X</u>	_____
Philip Elmore	<u>X</u>	_____
Trent Galetti	<u>X</u>	_____
Roger Wigginton	<u>X</u>	_____
James Musgrove	<u>X</u>	_____

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Belleville, Illinois this 17th day of November, 2015.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-21

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY

Whereas, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base; and

Whereas, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site meets the needs of the NGA, with modern utilities and communications infrastructure and room for expansion. It is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination and is proposed to be the least cost option, with zero land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs; and

Whereas, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and

Whereas, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not paying the 1% earnings tax and enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and,

Whereas, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site; and

Whereas, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison and St. Clair counties, including the City of Breese; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Breese, Clinton County, Illinois as follows:

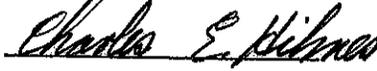
SECTION 1. The City of Breese hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor this 3rd day of November, 2015.

CITY OF BREESE, CLINTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS



Charles E. Hilmes, Mayor

ATTEST:



Robert J. Venhaus, City Clerk

Voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Bill Fischer, Chris Hamilton, Debbie Koetting, Carl Ratermann, Paul Steinman, Kevin Timmermann.

Voting "nay": None.

Absent: Gary Usselman.

CERTIFICATION

I, Robert J. Venhaus, City Clerk of the City of Breese, Clinton County, Illinois do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution #2015-21 is the true and correct original resolution passed and approved by the Breese City Council at a regular meeting duly held on November 3, 2015.



CITY CLERK

(SEAL)

AGENDA ITEM REPORT ✓

DATE OF MEETING: November 9, 2015

ITEM: Resolution Supporting the Selection of the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) Site for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA West) Proposed Facility

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

BACKGROUND:

There are substantial benefits of Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site:

- Meets the needs of the Agency.
- Synergies with Scott AFB (U.S. Transportation Command, Defense Information Systems Agency, and Air Force Network Integration Center).
- Least expensive.
- Convenient and safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink.
- Large site with room for expansion and available for immediate construction.
- Proximity to MidAmerica St. Louis Airport and new Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence.
- Potential increase in economic development and prosperity within the community as NGA currently employs over 3,000 people with an estimated 1,350 construction related jobs.

RECOMMENDATION:

Mayor Miller recommends approval of the Resolution Supporting the Selection of the Scott AFB Site for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA West) Proposed Facility.

ITEM SUBMITTED BY: John Miller, Mayor

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution ✓

RESOLUTION NO. 15-33R

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (St. Clair County) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site meets the needs of the NGA, with modern utilities and communications infrastructure and room for expansion. It is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination and is proposed to be the least cost option, with zero land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs; and

WHEREAS, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and

WHEREAS, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not paying the 1% earnings tax and enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and,

WHEREAS, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site; and

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison and St. Clair counties, including the City of Collinsville; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Collinsville, Illinois supports locating the Next NGA West Campus adjacent to the Scott AFB.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Collinsville hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the City of Collinsville is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council and Approved by the Mayor on November 9, 2015.

Ayes: Stehman, Brombolich, Moss, Kypka, Miller

Nays: None

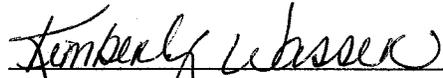
Absent: None

Approved: November 9, 2015.



John Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kimberly Wasser, City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 09-2015**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE PROPOSED NEXT NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) FACILITY**

Whereas, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (hereinafter "NGA") is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, which includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base (hereinafter "AFB"); and

Whereas, the Scott AFB site meets the needs of the NGA with modern utilities and communications infrastructure and room for expansion, is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination, and is proposed to be the least cost option owing to no land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs; and

Whereas, the Scott AFB site offers unmatched security and proximity to the adjacent air force base and Mid America St. Louis Airport, and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and

Whereas, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not having to pay the 1% earnings tax levied by St. Louis and would enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and

Whereas, expanded employment opportunities provided through the Scott AFB site would benefit residents of East St Louis and other depressed economic areas in Southwestern Illinois; and

Whereas, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB site; and

Whereas, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison, St. Clair and Monroe counties, including the City of Columbia.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. The recitals contained above in the preamble of this Resolution are hereby incorporated herein by reference, the same as if set forth in this Section of this Resolution verbatim as findings of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois ("the City");

Section 2. The City hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility;

Section 3. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement comment period;

Section 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval, as provided by law.

Alderman Agne moved the adoption of the above and foregoing Resolution; the motion was seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, and the roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Reis, Holtkamp and Martens.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

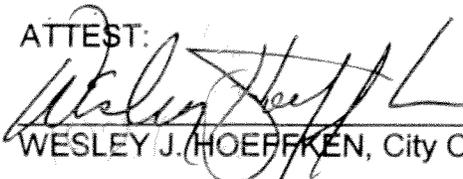
ABSTENTIONS: None.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor, this 16th day of November, 2015.



KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON, Mayor

ATTEST:



WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, City Clerk

(SEAL)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 88-'15

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE ST. CLAIR COUNTY ILLINOIS SITE AS THE "NEW HOME" FOR THE NGA (NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY) WEST FACILITY.

WHEREAS, the City of Fairview Heights understands that NGA is currently looking at four (4) sites to relocate their West headquarters.

WHEREAS, the City of Fairview Heights believes the best site for the new NGA West Facility is the St. Clair County Illinois site.

WHEREAS, the City of Fairview Heights endorses the relocating and modernization of the West Facility in St. Clair County Illinois with advantages of the St. Clair County Illinois site included in "EXHIBIT A" which is attached hereto, made a part hereof this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS:

That the City of Fairview Heights' endorses the St. Clair County Illinois site as the "New Home" for the NGA West Facility due to the advantages contained in "EXHIBIT A" which is attached hereto and made a part hereof this Resolution.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

MARK T. KUPSKY- MAYOR
CITY OF FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS

ATTEST:

KAREN J. KAUFHOLD - CITY CLERK

Why Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for NGA West?

- ✓ Geospatial intelligence is absolutely critical to today's United States Armed Forces, as well as to important rescue and relief efforts. For almost 100 years, Scott Air Force Base has provided a high-level, secure environment for U.S. Air Force and other military service missions.
- ✓ Mission security, force protection, antiterrorism and workforce safety are primary criteria for the new NGA West. By these standards, the Scott AFB site is in a class by itself.



**NGA West Facilities Modernization Project
Scott Air Force Base (St. Clair County) Site**

Scott AFB site has advantages for NGA!

Mission Synergy

- ✓ The Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) and the United States Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM) are two of NGA West's largest agency clients. They rely on NGA's classified work products to carry out their essential national security missions. Both DISA (CONUS) and USTRANSCOM are headquartered at Scott AFB; USTRANSCOM receives NGA's data and DISA (CONUS) provides network security for NGA through dedicated and secure communications infrastructure! The logic behind locating NGA West in close and secure proximity to DISA(CONUS) and USTRANSCOM is compelling.



Project Cost

- ✓ St. Clair County will provide the entire 182-acre site to NGA at zero cost:
- ✓ \$0 – Land acquisition
- ✓ \$0 – Environmental remediation
- ✓ \$0 – Demolition
- ✓ \$0 – Archaeological (any costs borne by St. Clair County)

Workforce Benefits

- ✓ Over 7,500 military service members and more than 5,000 civilians currently work at Scott AFB. Most of these live off-base and commute via personal autos, vanpools, buses and MetroLink directly to the Shiloh-Scott Station. The approximately 3,000 additional NGA West employees will represent roughly a 25 percent increase in the total location workforce that will be accommodated by current infrastructure and planned improvements.
- ✓ New Interstate 64 Exit 21 at Rieder Road and associated access road improvements will provide greatly increased vehicle access to Scott-NGA security gates.
- ✓ MetroLink and other mass transit riders will be eligible for full fare reimbursement under the Department of Defense Mass Transportation Benefit Program – currently up to \$130/month, saving NGA military and civilian employees up to \$1,560/year!
- ✓ NGA's active duty, Reserve, and Retired military employees are eligible to use the Scott AFB Commissary and other base amenities.
- ✓ Scott's new and modern Military Family Housing may be available for rent to certain NGA personnel, depending upon vacancy rate.
- ✓ 1% salary increase to NGA employees due to elimination of St. Louis city earnings tax.
- ✓ Recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to Scott AFB will provide qualified Cyber workers.

Community Support

- ✓ In 2014, Air Force Times ranked Scott AFB as the Number-One Base for Airmen in the U.S. The award was based upon the base's many amenities, plus high marks for good area schools, a low crime rate, commuting times, and convenient health care facilities. NGA West employees will enjoy and benefit from these same quality-of-life advantages.



- ✓ Also in 2014, Southwestern Illinois was chosen to receive the prestigious Air Mobility Command Community Support Award – for the second time in three years! Also known as the Abilene Trophy, this award is presented annually to recognize the community that provides the finest support to an Air Mobility Command (AMC) unit. The Metro-East region is poised, prepared and pledged to provide similar support to NGA and its critical military and civilian employees.

Construction Schedule

- ✓ Single Land Owner - The Scott AFB site is currently owned by a single land owner (St. Clair County) and is available to the NGA immediately. There will be no lengthy legal battles over this site.
- ✓ No Surprises. The Scott AFB (St. Clair) Site requires zero demolition above or below ground. Since all property is agricultural, once construction begins there will be no hidden issues below ground. The Scott AFB site has been extensively studied and any/all issues are known.
- ✓ No Environmental Contamination. The Scott AFB (St. Clair) Site doesn't require cleanup of short term or long term contamination.
- ✓ St. Clair County leaders aligned and effective partners.



Additional Benefits

RETURN TO AGENDA

- ✓ Large site with room for expansion. The Scott AFB (St. Clair) site is 182 acres, which is nearly twice the size of the St. Louis City Site (100 acres). Additional adjacent land owned by St. Clair County will provide abundant buffer and space for future expansion.
- ✓ Convenient Location with Transit Opportunities. The Scott AFB (St. Clair) Site is conveniently located adjacent to I-64 and adjacent to an interchange under construction. The Shiloh-Scott MetroLink station is less than 3 miles from the site and St. Clair County has indicated its willingness to extend MetroLink to a new station at the NGA West site.



Scott AFB
MetroLink Station

- ✓ Community Support. The Scott AFB (St. Clair) Site is completely supported by the community.
- ✓ Land Use - The Scott AFB (St. Clair) site is surrounded by either military or agriculture. These are the appropriate land uses adjacent to an agency which is vital to the security of our country. Scott AFB and surrounding communities are experienced in maintaining the appropriate land use around governmental and military facilities.
- ✓ Modern Utilities. St. Clair County and the State of Illinois will coordinate / finance utility extensions as necessary; providing modern, reliable utility infrastructure to the site.
- ✓ Proximity to MidAmerica St. Louis Airport.
- ✓ Enables employee recruitment from Scott AFB resources.



**VILLAGE OF FREEBURG
RESOLUTION #15-13**

In support of locating the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
at St Clair County, Illinois.

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency has announced its intention to select a site for its Next NGA West campus, commonly called N2W; and wishes to identify a location for a new, modern facility in the St Louis region to meet the agency's mission requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Freeburg is located in Southwestern Illinois, which includes St. Clair County and Scott Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, St Clair County has extended an offer of a 192-acre tract adjacent free of charge to a major Defense Department asset, Scott Air Force Base, which land can be readily secured; and

WHEREAS, the available location in Southwestern Illinois provides substantial land for development and future expansion, a skilled workforce and access to major highways and bridges; and

WHEREAS, the Southwestern Illinois area reflects a diverse population and draws on a workforce from the entire bi-state St Louis region, including economically depressed areas such as East St Louis and Ferguson; and,

WHEREAS, the NGA's global mission continues to expand rapidly and possible future expansion could be readily accommodated by the St Clair County site; and

WHEREAS, proximity to Scott Air Force Base would eliminate the need for conveying vast amounts of invaluable and vital security information which now flows along 27.5 miles of NGA fiber-optic cable line — information at risk if the fiber-optic line were cut or damaged; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Freeburg supports locating the Next NGA West campus systems in Southwestern Illinois.

Resolution adopted this 16th day of November, 2015.

Resolution No. 15-13

Ayes: Trustee Lisa Meekling Nays _____
Trustee Ruman Mitchell, Jr. _____
Trustee Alan Russell _____
Trustee Mike Blaine _____
Trustee Matt Trout _____
Trustee Elizabeth Hebrugg _____

Absent _____ Abstain _____

PASSED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, AND APPROVED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT THIS 16th DAY OF November, 2015.

Vote Recorded By:

Jerry Lynn Menard
Jerry Lynn Menard, Village Clerk

Approved by the Village President of the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois, this 16th day of November, 2015.

Seth Speiser

Seth Speiser, Village President

ATTEST:

Jerry Lynn Menard
Jerry Lynn Menard, Village Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-30

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY

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Whereas, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison and St. Clair counties, including the Village of Glen Carbon; and

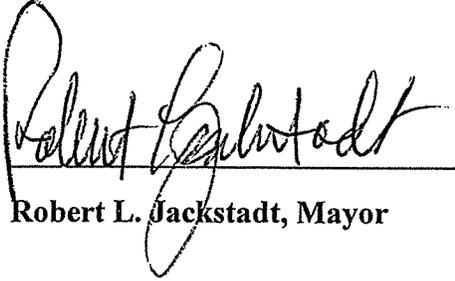
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Village Board of the Village of Glen Carbon, Madison County, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1. The Village of Glen Carbon hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval as provided by law

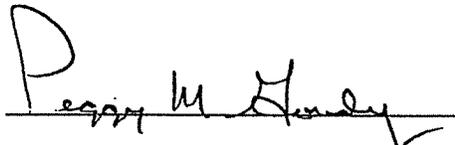
RESOLVED, ADOPTED AND EFFECTIVE, THIS 10th **day of** November **2015**



Robert L. Jackstadt, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:



Peggy M. Goudy, Village Clerk


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ILLINOIS

You can see your future from here

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MICHAEL J. MCCORMICK
MAYOR

November 12, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Kansas City District
Room 529
601 E 12th Street
Kansas City, MO 64016
Attn: Ms. Amy Blair

To Whom It May Concern:

As Mayor of the Village of Godfrey, it is my pleasure to enthusiastically offer my support of, and endorsement for, the NGA West Facilities Modernization Project site proposal submitted by St. Clair County, Illinois. As the Village of Godfrey is located in Southwestern Illinois in the neighboring Madison County, I assure you that the region is eager and ready to support an endeavor as ambitious as the construction of this significant facility.

Southwestern Illinois is a prime location for this facility for several reasons. The substantial land mass in the area provides ample space for the initial campus, but additionally allows for future expansion / additional development all while in close proximity to existing interstates and mass transit. Our region has access to a diverse workforce in both Illinois and Missouri and such employment opportunities would have a positive impact for depressed urban populations in St. Louis city, with minimal commute. Moreover, the St. Clair County site is available for immediate construction, is equipped with modern utilities and communications infrastructure, and offers unmatched modern security due to its proximity to Scott Air Force Base

In conclusion, I would like to reiterate that the Village of Godfrey has the utmost confidence in the leadership of St. Clair County and their ability to make the proposed site an ideal location for the next National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency. Should you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Respectfully,



Michael M. McCormick
Mayor

RESOLUTION NO. 15-11-2349

**SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE
SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE
NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST)
PROPOSED FACILITY**

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site meets the needs of the NGA, with modern utilities and communications infrastructure and room for expansion. It is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination and is proposed to be the least cost option, with zero land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs; and

WHEREAS, the Scott AFB site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and

WHEREAS, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, by locating at Scott AFB, would benefit from not paying the 1.0% earnings tax, imposed by the city of St. Louis, and would, in addition, enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and

WHEREAS, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB site; and

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison and St. Clair counties, including the City of Highland; and.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Highland, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Highland hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott Air Force Base site for its new NGA West facility.

Section 2. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval as provided by law.

Passed by the City Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Highland, Illinois, and deposited and filed in the Office of the City Clerk, on the 16th day of November, 2015, the vote being taken by ayes and noes, and entered upon the legislative records, as follows:

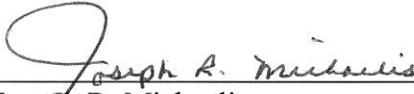
AYES: Frey, Bellm, Nicolaides

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: Schwarz

APPROVED:





Joseph R. Michaelis
Mayor
City of Highland
Madison County, Illinois

ATTEST:



Barbara Bellm
City Clerk
City of Highland
Madison County, Illinois

November 19, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Kansas City District, Rm 529
Attn: Amy Blair
601 E. 12th Street
Kansas City, MO 64016

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Madison supports locating the Next NGA West campus systems in Southwestern Illinois. The following are some of the benefits we think are essential in choosing this location.

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency has announced its intention to select a site for its Next NGA West campus, commonly called N2W; and wishes to identify a location for a new, modern facility in the St Louis region to meet the agency's mission requirements.

The City of Madison is located in Southwestern Illinois, which includes St. Clair County and Scott Air Force Base. St Clair County has extended an offer of a 192-acre tract adjacent free of charge to a major Defense Department asset, Scott Air Force Base, which land can be readily secured.

The available location in Southwestern Illinois provides substantial land for development and future expansion, a skilled workforce and access to major highways and bridges. The Southwestern Illinois area reflects a diverse population and draws on a workforce from the entire bi-state St Louis region, including economically depressed areas such as East St Louis and Ferguson.

The NGA's global mission continues to expand rapidly and possible future expansion could be readily accommodated by the St Clair County site. The proximity to Scott Air Force Base would eliminate the need for conveying vast amounts of invaluable and vital security information which now flows along 27.5 miles of NGA fiber-optic cable line — information at risk if the fiber-optic line were cut or damaged.

Sincerely,

Mayor John W. Hamm, III
City of Madison, Illinois

Village of Maryville
2520 North Center Street
Maryville, Illinois 62062
Phone: (618) 345-7028
Fax: (618) 345-3627

Ordinance Number: _____

Resolution Number: 2015-29

Supporting the Selection of Scott AFB for the New
National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Facility

Passed by the

Board of Trustees and
Approved by the President
of the Village of Maryville, Illinois

The 18th Day of November, 2015

Reviewed By
Beatty & Motil
78 South Main Street
P.O. Box 730
Glen Carbon, Illinois 62034
Phone: (618) 288-1300

Return To:
Village of Maryville
Attn.: Village Clerk
2520 North Center Street
Maryville, Illinois 62062

Published in pamphlet form by the authority of the corporate authorities of the Village of Maryville, Madison County, Illinois, this 19th day of November, 2015.

RESOLUTION 2015-29

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF MARYVILLE SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site meets the needs of the NGA, with modern utilities and communications infrastructure and room for expansion. It is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination and is proposed to be the least cost option, with zero land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs; and

WHEREAS, the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and

WHEREAS, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not paying the 1% earnings tax and enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and

WHEREAS, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site; and

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison and St. Clair counties, including the Village of Maryville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Maryville as follows:

SECTION 1. The Village of Maryville hereby urges the Federal Government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution for inclusion in the public record for the next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Maryville, Illinois this 18th day of November, 2015.

R. Todd Bell Yes

Linda Garcia (Absent)

Ed Kostyshock Yes

Rod Schmidt Yes

Craig Short Yes

Mike Vallino Yes

Larry Gulledege _____

Larry Gulledege

LARRY GULLEDGE
President, Board of Trustees
Village of Maryville, Illinois

ATTEST:

Jolene R. Henry
JOLENE R. HENRY
Village Clerk



City of Mascoutah

#3 West Main
Mascoutah, Illinois 62258
(618) 566-2964



Chartered in 1837

November 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Kansas City District, Room 529
Attn: Amy Blair
601 E. 12th Street
Kansas City, MO 64016

To Whom It May Concern:

A resolution supporting the selection of the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for the location of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is attached. As stated, this site has stirred enormous interest and expression of support in our community.

Politics aside, from a business standpoint, it makes perfect sense to locate NGA on this site. The land is available to the government, there is no cleanup or demolition required; and it is the most logical site from a safety and security standpoint (of utmost importance).

I speak for our community and surrounding communities in support of this site selection.

Sincerely,

Gerald E. Daugherty
Gerald E. Daugherty, Mayor
City of Mascoutah

RESOLUTION NO. 15-16-08

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site meets the needs of the NGA, is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination, and is proposed to be the least cost option, with zero land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs; and

WHEREAS, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and

WHEREAS, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not paying the 1% earnings tax and enjoy a convenient, safe location near an interstate highway with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and,

WHEREAS, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site; and

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction-related jobs would provide a substantial economic impact on the communities and residents of Madison and St. Clair counties, including the City of Mascoutah; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Mascoutah, St. Clair County, Illinois strongly supports locating the NGA West Campus systems at the St. Clair County site in Southwestern Illinois. Be it further resolved that the City's position is heavily endorsed by its citizenry.

PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor this 16th day of November, 2015.

AYE's - Schorr, Weyant, McMahan, Daugherty.

NAY's - None.

ABSENT - Grodeon.

**CITY OF MASCOUTAH, ST. CLAIR
COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Gerald E. Daugherty

Gerald E. Daugherty, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kari D. Haas, mrc

Kari D. Haas, City Clerk

(SEAL)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-06

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY

Whereas, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base; and

Whereas, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site meets the needs of the NGA, with modern utilities and communications infrastructure and room for expansion. It is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination and is proposed to be the least cost option, with zero land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs; and

Whereas, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and

Whereas, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not paying the 1% earnings tax and enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and,

Whereas, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site; and

Whereas, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison and St. Clair counties, including the Village of New Athens; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Village of New Athens, St. Clair County, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1. The Village of New Athens hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval as provided by law.

Passed, this 16th day of November, 2015 on the following roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
Terry Politsch	<u>X</u>	___
Ron Hampton	<u>X</u>	___
Larry Weber	<u>ABSENT</u>	___
Don Hall	<u>X</u>	___
Arlene Geppert	<u>X</u>	___

Accepted, by the Village of New Athens,

Richard Klein Richard Klein, Village President

Attest:

Michelle Neff Michelle Neff, Village Clerk



RESOLUTION 2015 - 66

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency has announced its intention to select a site for its Next NGA West campus, commonly called N2W; and

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, which includes a proposal for a 182 acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base ("Site"); and

WHEREAS, St. Clair County has offered the Site to NGA at no costs; and

WHEREAS, the Site is unimproved, available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination or archeological problems or concerns; and

WHEREAS, the Site meets the needs of NGA with all necessary utilities and communications infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City of O'Fallon is located in St. Clair County in close proximity to the Site; and

WHEREAS, the Site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and; and

WHEREAS, close proximity to Scott Air Force Base would eliminate the need for conveying vast amounts of invaluable and vital security information which now flows along 27.5 miles of NGA fiber-optic cable; and

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents in the immediate area, including the City of O'Fallon and its residents; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF O'FALLON, ST. CLAIR COUNTY ILLINOIS;

Section 1. The forgoing recitals are incorporated herein as findings of the City Council.

Section 2. The City of O'Fallon hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

Section 3. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval and its publication in the manner provided by law.

Passed by the City Council this 16th day of November 2015.

ATTEST:

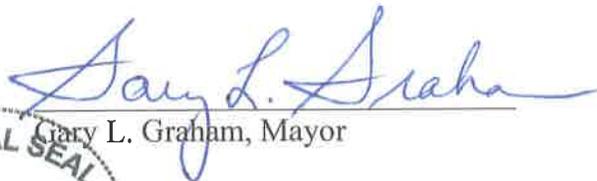
Approved by the Mayor this 16th day

(seal)

of November 2015.



Philip A. Goodwin, City Clerk



Gary L. Graham, Mayor





November 3, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District
Attn: Amy Blair, Room 529
601 E. 12th Street
Kansas City, MO 64106

To Whom it May Concern,

The St. Clair County site, located next door to Scott Air Force Base in Illinois, has proven to be the most logical location for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus. In comparison to the other three proposed sites (Fenton, Mehlville, and St. Louis City) St. Clair County is best suited to create a long-standing partnership critical to maintaining the NGA mission in the St. Louis Metropolitan area and will provide an opportunity to support the next several generations and long-term vision for geospatial intelligence.

- St. Clair County provides the largest area for the Next NGA West Campus to construct purpose-built facilities that are safe, secure, flexible, and efficient, as well as allow for future expansion. The St. Clair County site provides approximately 182 square acres, in comparison to the St. Louis City site that provides approximately 100 square acres.
- The St. Clair County site is located next to Scott Air Force Base, one of the NGA's largest strategic partners in the successful performance of the NGA's mission.
- St. Clair County provides the best opportunity for a safe and secure location for the NGA's facility, and employees during working hours and daily commuting. The location provides physical security and force protection with more than the required setbacks from adjacent roads, railroads, and property boundaries, as well as provides the potential to use topography and landscape to enhance security.
- St. Clair County is best suited to allow the NGA to meet the construction schedule as the site is currently available for acquisition and construction. The Mehlville site would require the relocation of workers and the demolition/relocation of the existing MetLife building. The Fenton site would require the removal of concrete and asphalt, covering almost the entire site. The St. Louis site has numerous issues that would raise concerns over construction, most notably the required removal of existing businesses and residents through the use of eminent domain by the City of St. Louis, a very unfavorable approach that normally causes lengthy delays and nearly always attracts a large amount of unfavorable sentiment and negative publicity to the project.
- The St. Clair County site has been offered, free of cost, to the NGA by St. Clair County. Additionally, the St. Clair County site does not require excessive costs for demolition and environmental remediation. The other three sites are privately owned and will require demolition and environmental remediation, creating an unnecessary additional cost to the project and expenditure of public funds.
- According to the DEIS, Scoping Meetings Summary Report (Appendix 1B NGA Scoping Report, Pg. 11-12), respondents could show support for or against particular sites. Among those who



demonstrated support for a proposed site, more respondents preferred the St. Clair County site (48%) followed by the North St. Louis Site (27%). Among those who demonstrated a preference that a site was not chosen, more respondents preferred that North St. Louis (63%) not be the chosen site, followed by St. Clair County (26%). The St. Clair County site has the popular support of those who participated in the scoping sessions.

O'Fallon and the surrounding communities have always been a supporter of Scott Air Force Base operations and for the individuals and families who work at the base and all related agencies. In 2012 and 2014, Southwestern Illinois received the prestigious Abilene Trophy for the extensive support demonstrated for the Airmen and their families. Additionally, in 2014, the Air Force Times named Scott Air Force Base as the best base in the United States for airmen. This type of support will be generously applied to the future NGA West and all associated individuals in the same manner that it is to Scott AFB.

We look forward to working with you any way that we can as the NGA continues with the relocation of its Western Headquarters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary L. Graham". The signature is fluid and extends across the width of the page.

Gary L. Graham
Mayor

Resolution No. 2015-08
A Resolution Supporting the Location of the National
Geospatial-Intelligence Agency at St Clair County, Illinois

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency has announced its intention to select a site for its Next NGA West campus, commonly called N2W; and wishes to identify a location for a new, modern facility in the St. Louis region to meet the agency's mission requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Smithton is located in Southwestern Illinois, which includes St. Clair County and Scott Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, St Clair County has extended an offer of a 192-acre tract adjacent free of charge to a major Defense Department asset, Scott Air Force Base, which land can be readily secured; and

WHEREAS, the available location in Southwestern Illinois provides substantial land for development and future expansion, a skilled workforce and access to major highways and bridges; and

WHEREAS, the Southwestern Illinois area reflects a diverse population and draws on a workforce from the entire bi-state St Louis region, including economically depressed areas such as East St Louis and Ferguson; and,

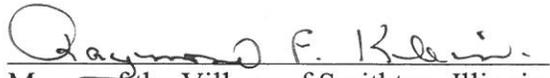
WHEREAS, the NGA's global mission continues to expand rapidly and possible future expansion could be readily accommodated by the St Clair County site; and

WHEREAS, proximity to Scott Air Force Base would eliminate the need for conveying vast amounts of invaluable and vital security information which now flows along 27.5 miles of NGA fiber-optic cable line — information at risk if the fiber-optic line were cut or damaged; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village of Smithton supports locating the Next NGA West campus systems in Southwestern Illinois.

Passed by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Smithton, Illinois approved by the Mayor and deposited and filed in the office of the Village Clerk, on this 3rd day of November, 2015.

APPROVED:


Mayor of the Village of Smithton, Illinois

ATTEST:


Village Clerk of Smithton, Illinois

RESOLUTION NO. 15-18

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY.

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base; and,

WHEREAS, the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site meets the needs of the NGA, with modern utilities and communications infrastructure and room for expansion. It is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination and is proposed to be the least cost option, with zero land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs; and,

WHEREAS, the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and,

WHEREAS, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not paying the 1% earnings tax and enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and,

WHEREAS, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site; and,

WHEREAS, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison, St. Clair and Monroe Counties, including the City of Waterloo, Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council and Mayor of the City of Waterloo, Monroe County, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1. The City of Waterloo, Illinois hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Waterloo, Monroe County, Illinois this 16th day of November, 2015.

APPROVED:



Thomas Smith, Mayor

ATTESTED:



Barbara Pace, City Clerk

AYES: Koerber, Heller, Notheisen, Thomas, Trantham, Darter, Frederick

NAYES: _____

ABSENT: Hopkins

ABSTAINED: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 1796

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SELECTION OF THE SCOTT AFB (ST. CLAIR COUNTY) SITE FOR THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA WEST) PROPOSED FACILITY

Whereas, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base; and

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Whereas, The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO; and

Whereas, the employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not paying the 1% earnings tax and enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink; and,

Whereas, there is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site; and

Whereas, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities and residents of Madison and St. Clair counties, including the City of Wood River; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Wood River, Madison County, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1. The City of Wood River hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution for inclusion in the public record for the Next NGA West Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Period.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval as provided by law.

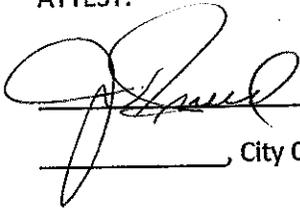
PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor this 16th day of November, 2015.

CITY OF Wood River, Madison **COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Frank Akers

Frank Akers, Mayor

ATTEST:



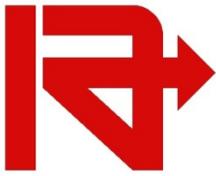
City Clerk

AYES Councilmembers Kadell, Maguire, Miner, Stalcup, Akers (5)

NAYS None (0)

ABSENT None (0)

PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor this 16 day of November, 2015.



RHUTASEL and ASSOCIATES, INC.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS • LAND SURVEYORS

November 3, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Kansas City District, Room 529
Attn: Amy Blair
601 E. 12th Street
Kansas City, MO 64016

Re: Support for National Geospatial Agency in St Clair County

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing to express our support of locating the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency at St. Clair County, Illinois.

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is investigating sites for the construction and operation of the Next NGA West Campus in the greater St. Louis metropolitan area, and it includes a proposal for a 182-acre site in St. Clair County, Illinois, along Interstate 64 and adjacent to Scott Air Force Base.

The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site meets the needs of the NGA, with modern utilities and communications infrastructure and room for expansion. It is available for immediate construction with no environmental contamination and is proposed to be the least cost option, with zero land acquisition, environmental remediation, demolition or archaeological costs.

The Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site offers unmatched security and proximity to adjacent Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport; and Scott AFB has critical missions that have synergy with the NGA mission, including USTRANSCOM, DISA, AFNIC, and DITCO.

The employees of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency would benefit from not paying the 1% St. Louis City earnings tax and enjoy the convenient, safe location with expanded transit opportunities through MetroLink.

There is overwhelming community support for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency locating at the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site from throughout Southwestern Illinois, including the recently announced Midwest Cyber Center of Excellence, adjacent to the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site.

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, with its 3,100 current employees and an estimated 1,350 total construction related jobs would provide an increase in economic impact and prosperity to the communities, residents, and businesses of Madison and St. Clair counties.

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RHUTASEL and ASSOCIATES, INC. hereby urges the federal government and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to choose the Scott AFB (St. Clair County) site for its new NGA West facility.

Very truly yours,
RHUTASEL and ASSOCIATES, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tracy M. Lawless". The signature is written in a cursive style with a light blue rectangular background behind it.

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