

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, IN SUPPORT OF HITHIUM TECH USA, INC.'S APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION AS A FOREIGN TRADE SUBZONE AS SPONSORED BY GRANTEE OF FOREIGN TRADE ZONE 168 IN DALLAS / FORT WORTH.

WHEREAS, foreign trade zones (“**FTZ**”) are a federal development program administered by the Foreign Trade Zones Board (International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce) (“**Board**”) and regulated by U.S. Customs and Border Protection; and

WHEREAS, the FTZ program was created to stimulate international trade and provide economic incentives to enhance the global competitive position of the United States; and

WHEREAS, through the FTZ program, individual companies are provided various tax and operational savings that are meant to encourage growth and generate jobs in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Hithium Tech USA, Inc. (“**Hithium**”), has invested in real estate within the City of Mesquite (“**City**”) with the purchase of a 483,874-square-foot building at 11955 FM 2932, as well as the lease of another 348,412-square-foot building located at 11975 FM 2932 in the 20 East Trinity Pointe Business Park, and operates at these facilities specialized production and assembly equipment and is making further investments for capital equipment that will enhance the tax base and are subject to property tax assessment; and

WHEREAS, since Hithium recently began operations this past summer, there is not yet any Hithium business inventory on the current tax roll, and most of Hithium’s inventory is covered under the City-approved Texas Freeport exemption; and

WHEREAS, Hithium has applied to establish its location in the City as a foreign trade subzone of FTZ 168; and.

WHEREAS, Metroplex International Trade Development Corporation, as grantee of FTZ 168 (“**Grantee**”), supports Hithium’s application, provided briefing materials to the City showing, among other things, the projected annual ad valorem (inventory) tax impact on the City if Hithium’s application is granted, and requested a letter from the City to the Board stating the City’s support, concurrence or non-objection to Hithium’s application.

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

SECTION 1. That the Mesquite City Council hereby expresses its support for Hithium Tech USA, Inc.’s application for designation as a foreign trade subzone of Foreign Trade Zone 168 and authorizes the City Manager to execute and provide to the Grantee and Board this Resolution and a letter of support for Hithium’s application, and to take such other actions on behalf of the City as are reasonably necessary to demonstrate the City’s support for Hithium’s application.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 3rd day of November 2025.

Daniel Alemán, Jr.
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sonja Land
City Secretary

David L. Paschall
City Attorney