



Commissioner Gary Fickes Tarrant County, Precinct 3



Hurst Conference Center 1601 Campus Dr., Hurst, Texas 76054

# Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit

Friday, February 15, 2013  
8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



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Tarrant County, Precinct 3

Thank you for attending our **4th annual** Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit. Our goal continues to be to inform the business owners, community leaders, and citizens of Northeast Tarrant County, about major transportation issues and plans to improve mobility in our area.

Enjoy the presentations. Take advantage of this opportunity to speak to the experts about transportation concerns and ask questions.

We have representatives today from DFW Connector and NTE as well as our cities who can all provide information on the many road construction projects. Check out their booths.

After the Summit, if you would like to follow the status of some of these projects, please visit our website at:

[www.NETTRANSPORTATIONSUMMIT.com](http://www.NETTRANSPORTATIONSUMMIT.com)

and then click on the Contact Information Sheet to reach the appropriate individual for that project or visit their website for updates.

*Gary Fickes*

# Keynote Speaker



## **Ross Perot, Jr.**

**Chairman, The Perot Group  
Chairman, Hillwood**

Ross Perot, Jr. serves as Chairman of The Perot Group, which manages the various Perot family interests that include real estate, oil and gas and financial investments.

In addition, Mr. Perot is Chairman of Hillwood, which he founded in 1988. Hillwood is ranked among the top ten real estate developers in the United States and is recognized for its high-profile projects and public-private ventures.

Hillwood Energy has natural gas and oil interests not only in the United States but worldwide.

Mr. Perot is a Founder of Perot Systems Corporation and served on its Board of Directors beginning in 1988. He served as CEO of Perot Systems from 2000-2004 and served as Chairman of the Board from 2004 until the company was acquired by Dell Inc. in 2009. During his tenure on the Board, Perot Systems grew to be a multi-billion dollar global technology company with more than 24,000 associates in North America, Europe and Asia. Mr. Perot currently serves on the Dell Inc. Board of Directors.

A native of Dallas, Mr. Perot graduated from St. Mark's School of Texas in 1977 and earned his bachelor's degree in business administration from Vanderbilt University in 1981.

In 1982, after graduating from Vanderbilt University, he completed the first helicopter flight around the world. The 26,000 mile trip was completed in less than 30 days, crossing 26 countries, and 17 seas and oceans. His helicopter, The Spirit of Texas, is on permanent display at the Smithsonian Institution's Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C.

After joining the United States Air Force in 1983, Perot earned certification as an F-4 pilot and served for 8 ½ years. Perot then served as chairman of the Air Force Memorial Foundation where he led a 14-year effort to build the United States Air Force Memorial in Washington, DC, honoring the men and women of the United States Air Force. The Memorial was dedicated to the Nation in October, 2006.

Mr. Perot currently serves as Chairman of the Board of the East-West Institute, serves on the board of Vanderbilt University and St. Mark's School of Texas and serves as Vice Chairman of the U.S.-U.A.E. Business Council.

In 1982, President Ronald Reagan presented Mr. Perot with the Gold Medal Award for Extraordinary Service. In 2007, General T. Michael Moseley, Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force, presented him with the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service. Also in 2007, he was the recipient of the Woodrow Wilson Award for Corporate Citizenship. In 2008, he and his father, Ross Perot, jointly received the H. Neil Mallon Award presented by the World Affairs Council of Dallas/Fort Worth.

# AGENDA

**8:30 REGISTRATION**

**9:00 WELCOME**

Commissioner Gary Fickes, Tarrant County

**9:00 - 11:45 SEMINARS**

**Seminar #1**

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

**TEX Rail/Cotton Belt Rail Line**

**Jungus Jordan,**  
Fort Worth Councilman

**Seminar #2**

10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

**How Transit-Oriented and Transit-Ready Development can Transform the Marketplace**

**Paris Rutherford,**  
Principal of Catalyst Urban Development

**Seminar #3**

11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

**The ABC's of the RTC  
(Regional Transportation Council)**

**Michael Morris,**  
Director of Transportation, NCTCOG

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**11:45**

# **LUNCHEON**

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## **Introductions**

Commissioner Gary Fickes, Tarrant County

## **Invocation**

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

## **Recognition**

Commissioner Gary Fickes, Tarrant County

## **Road Updates**

**DFW Connector .....Alyssa Tenorio**  
Public Information Manager,  
NorthGate Constructors

**North Tarrant Express ... Robert Hinkle**  
Director of Corporate Affairs,  
North Tarrant Express

## **Keynote Speaker**

### **Introduction:**

Judge B. Glen Whitley, Tarrant County

**Ross Perot, Jr., Chairman, The Perot Group**  
**Chairman, Hillwood**

## **Closing Remarks**

Commissioner Gary Fickes, Tarrant County

# SEMINARS



## TEX Rail/Cotton Belt Line

### **Jungus Jordan**

**Councilmember, City of Fort Worth**

First elected to the City Council in June 2005, Jungus Jordan represents District 6 in the far south and southwest portions of Fort Worth. He was re-elected to his fourth term of office on May 14, 2011.

He is a Fort Worth native who was born at Carswell Air Force Base, attended local public schools, and then received a Bachelors Degree in Economics from TCU and a Masters Degree in Management from Webster University. He is also a graduate of the Management Executive Program at Cornell University.

Upon his retirement from the United States Air Force as a Lieutenant Colonel, Mr. Jordan returned home to work as a development officer at TCU, then as vice-president of Marketing and Business Development for the Eurpac Service Company. He served as a financial advisor with two national financial services companies and now works part time for Cook Children's.

Jordan represents Fort Worth as the President Elect of the Texas Municipal League, the North Central Texas Clean Air Steering Committee, and is the former chair of the RTC. In 2007 and 2008 Mr. Jordan was Chair of Rail North Texas and currently serves as Chair of the Passenger Rail Working Group.



## How Transit-Oriented and Transit-Ready Development can Transform the Marketplace

### **Paris Rutherford,**

**Principal of Catalyst Urban Development**

Paris Rutherford is Principal of Catalyst Urban Development, a Dallas-based real estate company that focuses on the planning, finance and development of transit-oriented, housing and mixed-use places. Having arranged over \$1 Billion in transactions since 2009, Catalyst specializes in non-traditional finance and is currently developing over \$100 Million in TOD projects across North Texas.

As a certified planner, Paris has more than 20 years experience creating successful places including such local destinations as Legacy Town Center, Addison Circle, and Uptown Dallas. He has prepared plans for local transit-oriented and transit-ready places including the West 7th Corridor in Fort Worth, Downtown Plano, DeSoto's Town Center, Richardson's Galatyn Station, and others. Beyond our region, Paris has worked nationally on such districts as LoDo Denver, the Woodlands Town Center, Old Towne Pasadena, Midtown Houston, Sacramento's Northside, Atlanta's Midtown, and others.

Prior to forming Catalyst, Paris was President of Woodmont Investment Company, Practice Leader of RTKL Associates' Global Planning Practice, and Director of RTKL itself. The recipient of over 75 national, regional and local awards (including 7 NCTCOG CLIDE awards), Paris' work has been published in *The New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *Urban Land Magazine*; he has spoken at the National Press Club, ULI, ICSC, and been featured on CNBC's *Closing Bell* and PBS's *News Hour*. Paris is a graduate of the University of Southern California and obtained his master's from Harvard.

# SPEAKERS



## The ABC's of the RTC (Regional Transportation Council)

**Michael Morris, P.E.**  
Director of Transportation, NCTCOG

Michael Morris has been on staff in the Transportation Department of the North Central Texas Council of Governments, the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Dallas-Fort Worth area, since 1979. The Metropolitan Planning Organization serves the region by developing transportation plans and programs that address the mobility needs of a rapidly growing metropolitan area. Mr. Morris became the Director in 1990. As the Director of Transportation, Michael is also responsible for coordinating plans, programs, and projects to improve mobility and reduce vehicle emissions.

Mr. Morris received his Masters in Civil Engineering from State University of New York at Buffalo in 1979 and is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Texas. Several groups including the Institute of Transportation Engineers, the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations, and the Texas Transportation Commission have recognized him. He previously served as the Chairman of the Transportation Research Board Executive Committee and a National Associate of the National Academies.

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## Panel Members

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**B. Glen Whitley, County Judge**  
Tarrant County



**T. Oscar Trevino, Jr., P.E., Mayor**  
North Richland Hills



**Bernice J. Washington, Board Member**  
Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport

# SPEAKERS



## DFW Connector

### **Alyssa Tenorio**

Public Information Manager, NorthGate Constructors

Alyssa Tenorio is the Public Information Manager for NorthGate Constructors. Her responsibilities include stakeholder outreach, which includes the more than 250,000 daily commuters through the project as well as DFW Airport and local cities, and managing the DFW Connector's communication tools. She spent two years as an intern on the DFW Connector Project before hiring on full-time in January of 2012. A Fort Worth native, Alyssa is also a December 2011 graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Radio/TV and Journalism.

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## North Tarrant Express

### **Robert Hinkle**

Director of Corporate Affairs for NTE Mobility Partners

Robert Hinkle is currently the Director of Corporate Affairs for North Tarrant Express Mobility Partners, LLC. He oversees the day to day operations of government and media relations and the implementation of stakeholder communications and community outreach for the northeast Tarrant County infrastructure project.

Hinkle has worked with corporations throughout the US on strategic, crisis and litigation communications in the oil and gas and mining industries, healthcare, security and manufacturing. He led a team in Bogota, Colombia for the US Department of Defense in developing crisis communications strategies, internally and externally, for the Colombian Presidencia and Ministry of Defense.

He also ran the day-to-day operations of the International Media Office in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia and subsequently Kuwait City during the Gulf War. He coordinated strategies and media outreach between the US military and the governments of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. In addition, he has worked on political campaigns and crisis communications efforts in Africa, Eastern Europe and the Far East.



# **Northeast Transportation Groups**

## *Transportation for Area Seniors*

Mobility is a key factor in obtaining medical, social, and basic services for many local citizens. We are fortunate to have several organizations in Northeast Tarrant County that provide transportation services for seniors, disabled citizens and those who are transportation disadvantaged.

The Transportation Summit provides assistance to the following transportation agencies in our area:

### **Call A Ride Southlake – [callaride@hotmail.com](mailto:callaride@hotmail.com)**



CARS provides dependable service with volunteers who supply their vehicle, time, and gas for senior citizens and disabled adult persons in Southlake for most medical purposes within a 25-mile radius of Southlake and a 7-mile radius for non-medical purposes. CARS was established in 2000. (817-798-4022)

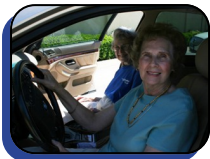
### **Mid-Cities Care Corps – [www.midcitiescarecorps.org](http://www.midcitiescarecorps.org)**

MCCC is a private Texas non-profit corporation that provides dependable transportation services for routine medical and quality of life drivers to senior citizens age 65 and over and 60 or older with a disability, in Northeast Tarrant County. MCCC does not income qualification clients or charge for services. All services are provided by volunteers who supply their own vehicles, time, and gas.

MCCC was established in 1981. (817-282-0531)



### **Social Transportation for Seniors – [stslide@yahoo.com](mailto:stslide@yahoo.com)**



STS provides a volunteer driver program for seniors 62 years and older in North Richland Hills by providing non-emergency transportation for leisure and social activities with the purpose of re-engaging isolated seniors back into the community.

STS was established in 2009. (817-514-0773)

### **HEB Transit – [www.hebtransit.org](http://www.hebtransit.org)**

Serving transportation disadvantaged people in Hurst, Euless, and Bedford by providing access to employment destinations within those cities and the Hurst/Bell and CentrePort/DFW Airport Trinity Railway Express (TRE) Stations. Services provided by Catholic Charities. Riders pay a \$2 cash fare for each one-way trip completed. (\$4 round trip)

HEB Transit was established in 2006. (817-336-8714)



### **Northeast Transportation Service – [www.ridenets.com](http://www.ridenets.com)**



NETS is administered by Catholic Charities and provides transportation services to older adults (55 years of age or older) and individuals with disabilities in Northeast Tarrant County for medical, work, social service, senior center, education, shopping, and other.

NETS was established in 2002. (817-336-8714)

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- Southlake Chamber of Commerce



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