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DATE 8 May 2015

Transportation and Trinity River Project Committee Members: Lee Kleinman (Vice Chair), Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Monica Alonzo, Mayor Pro Tem Tennell Atkins, Sandy Greyson, and Sheffie Kadane

SUBJECT Transportation and Trinity River Project Committee Meeting Agenda

Monday, 11 May 2015, at 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Dallas City Hall – 6ES, 1500 Marilla Street, Dallas, TX 75201

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

 Approval of the 27 April 2015 Meeting Minutes (Estimated 3 Minutes) Vonciel Jones Hill, Chair

Southern Gateway (Estimated 60 Minutes)

John Nguyen, Transportation Engineer Texas Department of Transportation and Tanya Brooks, Interim Assistant Director, Planning and Neighborhood Vitality

3. City Map (Estimated 40 Minutes)

John Nguyen, Transportation Engineer, Texas Department of Transportation and James Frye, Vice President, HNTB Corporation

Adjourn

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Vonciel Jones Hill, Chair

Transportation and Trinity River Project Committee

"A quorum of the Dallas City Council may attend this Council Committee meeting."

c: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council A.C. Gonzalez, City Manager Warren M. S. Ernst, City Attorney Daniel F. Solis, Administrative Judge Rosa A. Rios, City Secretary Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager Eric D. Campbell, Assistant City Manager Jill A. Jordan, Assistant City Manager

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Mark McDaniel, Assistant City Manager Jeanne Chipperfield, Chief Financial Officer Sana Syed, Public Information Officer Elsa Cantu, Assistant to the City Manager -Mayor and Council A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

- Contemplated or pending litigation, or matters where legal advice is requested of the City Attorney. Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
- The purchase, exchange lease or value of real property, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a
 detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Section 551.072 of the Texas
 Open Meetings Act.
- A contract for a prospective gift or donation to the City, if the deliberation is an open meeting would have a
 detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Section 551.073 of the Texas
 Open Meetings Act.
- Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee. Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
- The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Section 551.076 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
- Deliberations regarding economic development negotiations. Section 551.087 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Transportation and Trinity River Project Council Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 27 April 2015 Convened: 1:09 p.m. Adjourned: 2:19 p.m.

Councilmembers:	Presenter(s):	
Vonciel Jones Hill, Chair	Jill A. Jordan, P.E., Assistant City Manager	
Mayor Pro Tem Tennell Atkins	Elliott Stovall, P.E., Assistant Engineer-Dallas County Area	
	Office, Texas Department of Transportation	
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Monica Alonzo	Denise Prather, P.E., Business Diversity Manager-Dallas District	
	Construction Office, Texas Department of Transportation	
Sandy Greyson	Alva Baker, Principal and Owner, Baker Consulting Associates,	
	LLC	
Sheffie Kadane	Sarah Standifer, Interim Director, Trinity Watershed	
	Management	
Lee Kleinman	Other Councilmembers Present:	
councilmembers Absent: None		
None		
City Staff Present:		
Tanya Brooks	Obeng Opoku-Acheampong	
Mark Rauscher	Robert Sims	
Rick Galceran	Haroon Abdoh	
Gehan Asaad		

AGENDA:

1. Approval of the 13 April 2015 Meeting Minutes

Presenter(s): Vonciel Jones Hill, Chair

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Motion was made to approve the 13 April 2015 Transportation and Trinity River Project Council Committee meeting minutes.

Motion made by: DMPT Monica Alonzo Item passed unanimously: X Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Sheffie Kadane Item passed on a divided vote: Item failed on a divided vote:

2. S.M. Wright Project Status Update

- Construction Update
- Jobs Program

Presenters: Elliott Stovall, P.E., Assistant Area Engineer - Dallas County Area Office, Texas Department of Transportation, Denise Prather, P.E., Business Diversity Manager Dallas District Construction Office, Texas Department of Transportation and Alva Baker, Principal and Owner, Baker Consulting Associates, LLC

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Information Only

Motion made by: Motion seconded by:

Item passed unanimously: Item passed on a divided vote: Item failed unanimously: Item failed on a divided vote:

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3. Trinity River Corridor Activities Follow-Up

Presenter: Sarah Standifer, Interim Director, Trinity Watershed Management

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): A motion was made to 1) confirm continuation of free programming, 2) approve the proposed Continental Bridge and West Dallas Gateway reservation fees to begin in June 2015, and 3) direct staff to finalize and distribute an RFQ to seek vendors/concessionaires for various destination activities along the Trinity River Corridor. An amendment was made by Vonciel Jones Hill (Chair) that free programing be included through Fiscal Year FY2015-2016, at which time staff will return to the committee to make a decision to begin charging for the programs or continue free to the public.

Motion made by: DMPT Monica Alonzo Item passed unanimously: Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Sheffie Kadance Item passed on a divided vote: X Item failed on a divided vote:

Councilmember Sandy Greyson voted against the motion.

4. DART Board Appointment Process (Discussion Only)

Presenter: Vonciel Jones Hill, Chair

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): A motion was made to move list of six (6) candidates forward to full Council for approval of appointment to the DART Board.

Motion made by: DMPT Monica Alonzo Item passed unanimously: X Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: MPT Tennell Atkins Item passed on a divided vote: Item failed on a divided vote:

Additionally, the committee agreed to bring the DART Delegation together with committee members for a luncheon to discuss topics relevant to the City on a date, time and placed decided by the committee chair.

5. Upcoming Agenda Item

A public hearing to receive citizens' comments to amend the City of Dallas Thoroughfare Plan to change the dimensional classification of (1) Myrtle Street from Elsie Faye Heggins Street to Bexar Street from a four-lane undivided roadway (S-4-U) within 60 feet of right-of-way to a special two-lane undivided (SPCL 2U) roadway with a bicycle facility within 50 feet of right-of-way and 36 feet of pavement; and (2) Bexar Street from Myrtle Street to Riverfront Extension from a four-lane undivided roadway (S-4-U) within 60 feet of right-of-way to a special two-lane undivided (SPCL 2U) roadway with a bicycle facility within 50 feet of right-of-way and 36 feet of pavement; and at the close of the hearing, authorize an ordinance implementing the change - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): A motion was made to move item forward to full Council for approval.

Motion made by: DMPT Monica Alonzo Item passed unanimously: X Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Lee Kleinman Item passed on a divided vote: Item failed on a divided vote:

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Adjourn (2:19 p.m.)

Vonciel Jones Hill, Chair Transportation and Trinity River Project Council Committee

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SUBJECT Southern Gateway

On Monday, 11 May, you will be briefed on Southern Gateway, presented by Texas Department of Transportation. The briefing materials are attached for your review.

Please feel free to contact me if you need additional information.

Mark McDaniel

Assistant City Manager

Attachment

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SOUTHERN GATEWAY

Transportation and Trinity River Project Committee 11 May 2015



Southern Gateway Project History



 Began in 2001 as a Major Investment Study ["MIS"], Schematic, and Environmental Assessment ["EA"]

Study limits

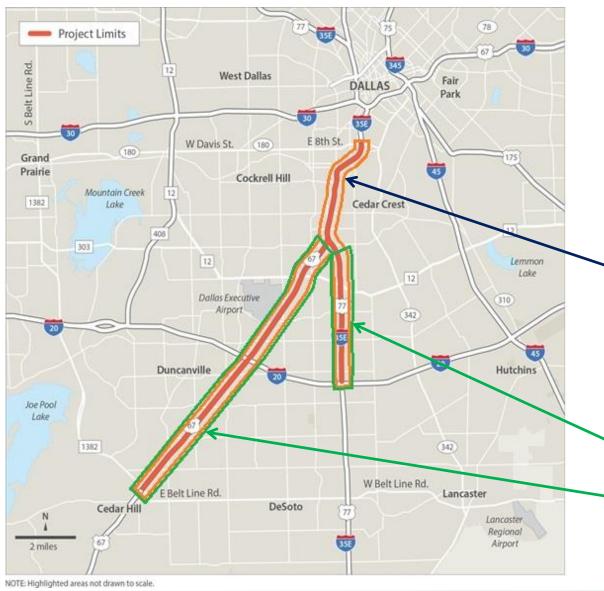
- IH 35E from IH 20 to 8th St. (8.6 miles)
- US 67 from FM 1382 to IH 35E (9.4 miles)

Original Scope

- Total reconstruction
- Additional General Purpose ["GP"] capacity
- Reversible HOV in center median
- Slip ramps, direct connect ramps, frontage roads and cross streets
- Fully directional interchanges at IH 20 for IH 35E and US 67
- Policy, staff and community work groups held on regular basis

Southern Gateway Project





Project Purpose and Need:

- Improve congestion
- Improve safety
- Increase capacity

Project Cost:

- Project 1: Add Managed Lanes
 capacity and widening on IH 35E from
 Horseshoe Project to US 67.
 Managed Lanes capacity on IH 35E
 from US 67 to I-20 and on US 67 from
 IH 35E to FM 1382 \$470M (Funded)
 - Project 2: Ultimate reconstruction of IH 35E from US 67 to I-20
- Project 3: Ultimate reconstruction of US 67 to FM 1382
 - Combined Cost of Project 2 and
 - Project 3 is \$1.53B

Southern Gateway Project History



Public Involvement

- Texas Department of Transportation ["TxDOT"] Public
 meetings held: April, July and November 2002
- Community forum held: May 2003
- Aesthetics Concept Plan was prepared for the corridor
- Project website (<u>www.thesoutherngateway.org</u>)
- Public hearings were held on 22 and 25 August 2005



Southern Gateway Project History



- Finding of No Significant Impact ["FONSI"] obtained 30
 June 2006
- Project placed on hold due to Lack of Funding (2006-2013)
- Re-initiate project (July 2013) project kick-off meeting with local agencies and stakeholders.
- In September 2013, the legislature authorized TxDOT a financial means to deliver the project.



Project Overview



Southern Gateway Managed Lanes Project

- Regional Transportation Council ["RTC"] established the Regional Managed Lane Policies.
- TxDOT implements the policies set by the RTC



Southern Gateway Project History



Public Involvement Efforts to Initiate Managed Lanes Project



Dates	Purpose of Meetings
July 2013	Initiated agency and stakeholder managed lanes project kick-off
August 2013 through February 2014	Project briefings with cities of Dallas, Cedar Hill, Lancaster, and Duncanville
March 2014	Public meeting to present managed lanes project
April 2014 through October 2014	Met with cities and stakeholders to present draft schematic of managed lanes
November 2014 to Present	Outreach meetings and forums with stakeholders and communities



The Southern Gateway ["SG"] Managed Lane Project Segments

- Segment 1 IH 35E from US 67 to Colorado Blvd
- Segment 2 US 67 from FM 1382 to IH 20
- <u>Segment 2A</u> US 67 from IH 20 to IH 35E
- Segment 3 IH 35E from IH 20 To US 67

Adjacent Projects

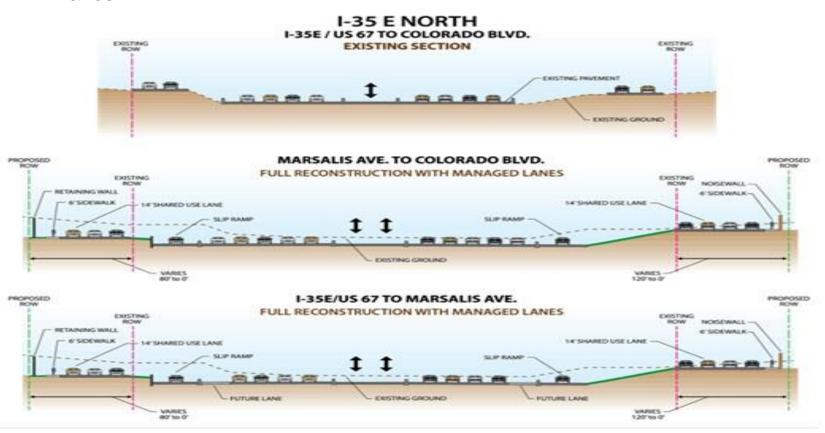
Dallas Horseshoe (Blue)





Segment 1 – IH 35E from US 67 to Colorado Blvd

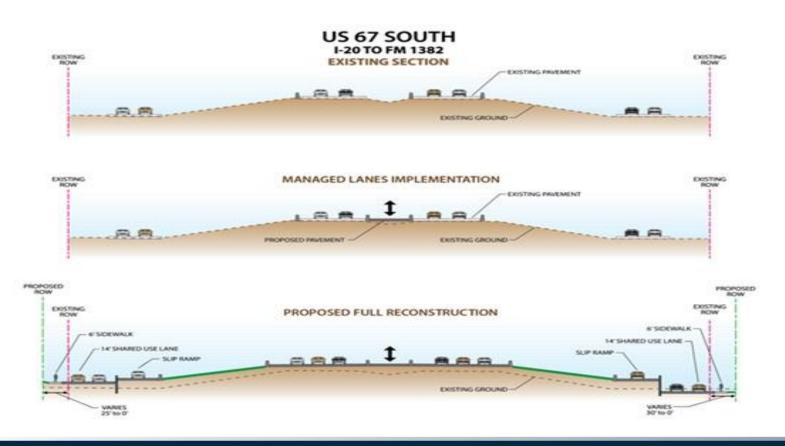
- Existing Four (4) SB/One (1) HOV/four (4) NB; No Frontage Roads
- Proposed Five (5) SB/two (2) Managed Lanes/five (5) NB; two (2) SB and two
 (2) NB Frontage Roads;
- Adds capacity and frontage roads and replaces HOV lane with two (2) Managed Lanes





Segment 2 – US 67 from FM 1382 to IH 20

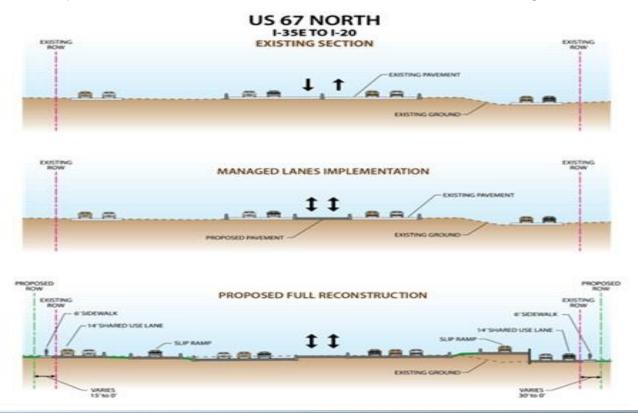
- Existing two (2) SB/ two (2) NB; two (2) SB and two (2) NB Frontage Roads
- Proposed two (2) SB/one (1) Managed Lane/two (2) NB; two (2) SB and two (2) NB Frontage Roads;
- Adds capacity and one (1) Managed Lane





Segment 2A – US 67 from IH 20 to I-35E

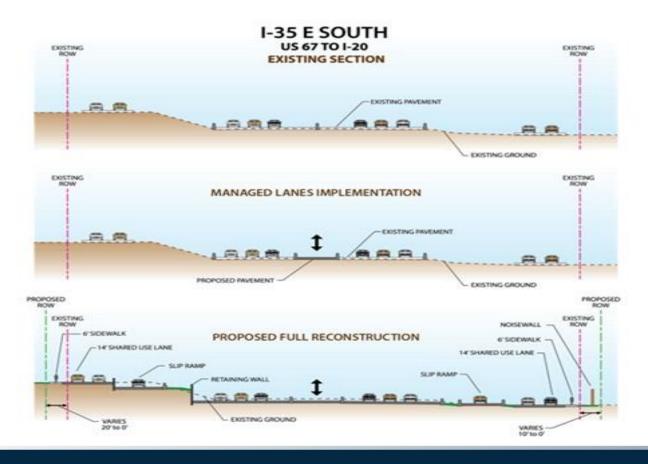
- Existing two (2) SB/two (2) HOV/2 NB; two (2) SB and two (2) NB Frontage Roads
- Proposed two (2) SB/two (2) Managed Lanes/two (2) NB; two (2) SB and two
 (2) NB Frontage Roads
- Adds capacity and replaces HOV lane with two (2) Managed Lanes





Segment 3 – IH 35E from IH 20 To US 67

- Existing three (3) SB/3 NB; two (2) SB and two (2) NB Frontage Roads
- Proposed three (3) SB/one (1) Managed Lane/three (3) NB; two (2) SB and two
 (2) NB Frontage Roads;
- Adds a Managed Lane



Regional Managed Lane Approach



Managed Lane Implementation

Current HOV System

HOV lanes were implemented beginning in the 1990s in order to:

Improve air quality and meet federal/state requirements

Add immediate-action response to reliability concerns

Relieve congestion during peak travel periods

Improve safety and improve response for emergency vehicles

Assist during emergency and special event situations

Regional Managed Lane Approach



What are Managed Lanes?

Managed Lanes, also known as express lanes or TEXpress lanes, are tolled lanes that offer alternatives to single-occupant vehicle ["SOV"] use and increase throughput using variable pricing, which ensures free-flow service.

Do Managed Lanes take away existing general purpose Lanes?

No. Managed Lanes provide additional capacity to the existing corridor. RTC policy and state law do not allow free lanes to be converted to tolled lanes.

SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS



- IH 35E was designed and built late 1950s and early 1960s
- Design deficiencies:
 - Less Desirable Shoulders



SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS



- I-35E was designed and built late 1950s and early 1960s
- Design Deficiencies:
 - Horizontal Curvature



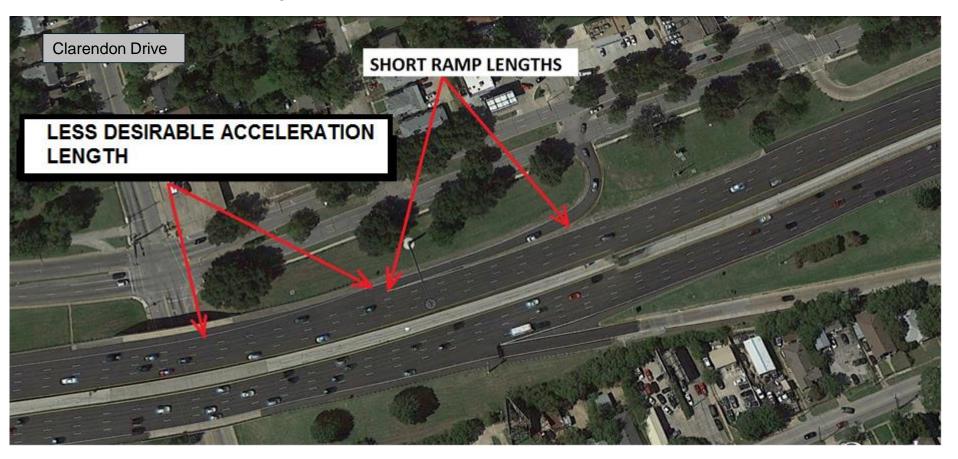
NOTE: Highlighted areas not drawn to scale.

TxDOT graphic

SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS



- Design Deficiencies:
 - Short ramp lengths with less desirable acceleration & deceleration lanes



^{*}Each of the design elements above need to be updated to current design standards to improve freeway operations.

Changes in Right-of-Way



Changes in project footprint from approved 2006 design were due to:

- Adding 14-foot-wide outside lanes along northbound and southbound frontage roads to accommodate bicycles
- Adding 6-foot-wide sidewalks along northbound and southbound frontage roads to accommodate pedestrians
- Adding access ramps to Managed Lanes
- Additional noise walls due to new developments since 2006

Changes in Right-of-Way



Positive Impact:

Eliminate Dallas Zoo Right-of-Way ["ROW"] Impacts from 2006
 Approved Schematic

No Impacts:

- No impacts to McAdams Cemetery
- No impacts to 10th Street Historic District

Current Status



TxDOT is designing two-phased project scope:

- Project 1: Managed Lanes Project (Phase 1)
 - Estimated total project cost \$470M
 - Funded
 - Anticipated public hearing Summer 2015, anticipated environmental clearance Fall 2015
- Project 2: Full reconstruction projects of IH 35E (Phase 2)
 - Estimated construction cost \$1.53B (cost for Project 2 and Project 3)
 - Unfunded
 - Estimated environmental clearance by Fall 2016
- Project 3: US 67 south of the split (Phase 2)
 - Unfunded
 - Estimated environmental clearance by Fall 2016

Path Forward

THE SOUTHERN GATEWAY PROJECT SCHEDULE



Task	Anticipated Duration
ROW Mapping/Utility Survey Investigation	Summer/Fall 2013
Develop/Evaluate Alternatives	Summer/Fall 2013
Public Meeting (March 27)	Spring 2014
Develop Managed Lane Schematic/Environmental Document	Summer 2014 – Spring 2015
Issue Request for Qualifications (for Design-Build Developer)	Summer 2015
Public Hearing	Fall 2015
Finding of No Significant Impact ["FONSI"]	Fall 2015/Spring 2015
Selection and Award	Summer 2016
Construction begins	Fall 2016
Service Commencement	Fall 2019



Opportunities to Provide City Input



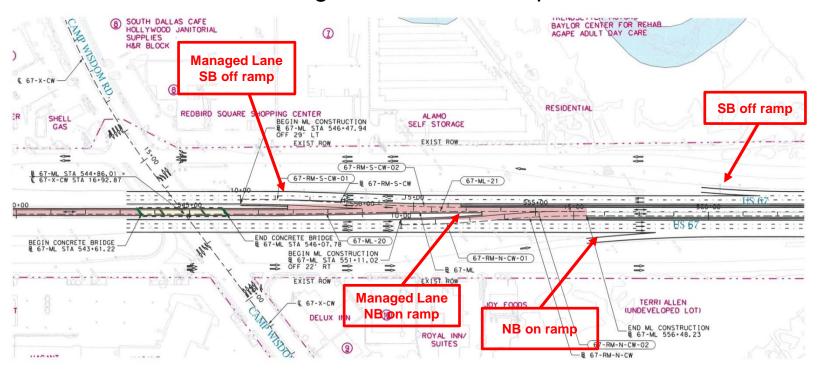
Ongoing coordination between City of Dallas and TxDOT

Letter sent to TxDOT District Engineer identifying three major concerns regarding the Southern Gateway Project

- 1. Provide direct access to the southern sector of the City;
- 2. Mitigate Dallas Zoo concerns; and
- 3. Minimize the negative impact on adjacent residential neighborhoods by incorporating Urban Design elements;



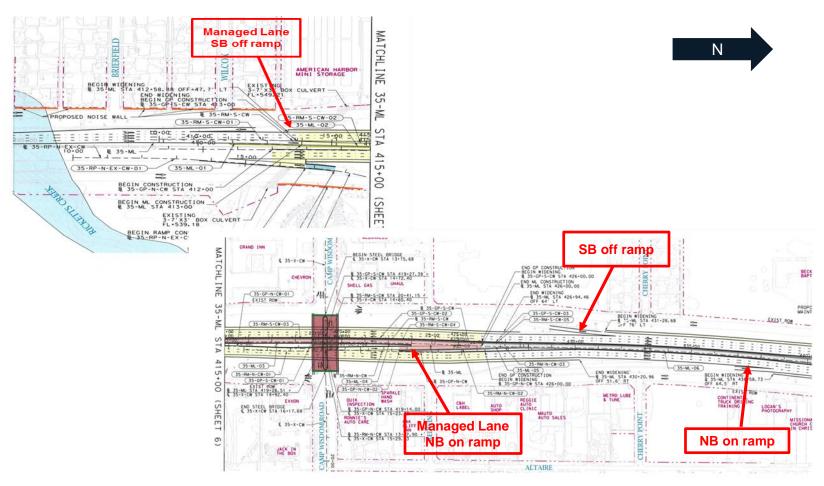
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 US 67 Managed Lanes @ Camp Wisdom





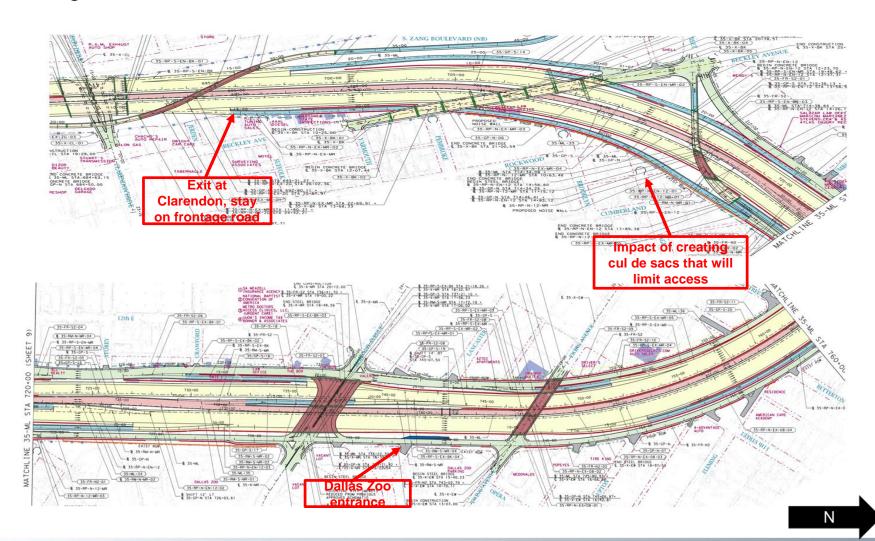


Provide direct access to the southern sector of the City –
 IH 35E Managed Lanes @ Camp Wisdom (continued)



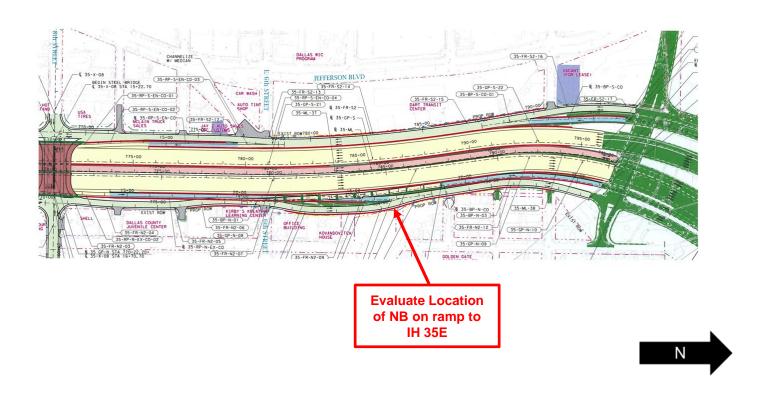


2. Mitigate Dallas Zoo Concerns





2. Mitigate Dallas Zoo Concerns (continued)





3. Incorporate Urban Design elements

- Mitigate noise pollution
- The City proposes that no private land be taken for the SGP, instead a scheme similar to that of US-75 (North Central Expressway) with depressed lanes and cantilevered service roads be implemented to gain the desired capacity.
- With an US-75 solution, special attention should be given to the design of the vertical walls.
- Where TxDOT open space is planned to remain, opportunities should be explored to add trees and other enhancements through landscape solutions to help soften the highway and mitigate noise and visual pollution from the highway.





- 3. Incorporate Urban Design Elements (continued)
- All existing and proposed connections across or below the project should be enhanced to provide a safer pedestrian experience to include the following components:
 - Wider sidewalks
 - Landscaped buffers between traffic lanes and pedestrian throughway
 - Shorter crossing distances at intersections
 - > Enhanced crosswalks
 - Lighting
- Look at the Marsalis Avenue and 8th Street bridges as opportunities to connect communities to each other and to the Dallas Zoo in a more meaningful way.
- Explore opportunities to deck a portion of the highway and create a more meaningful connection between the Dallas Zoo and the surrounding neighborhoods.
- Take advantage of this project to create meaningful and context sensitive gateway opportunities and markers for neighboring communities and attractions such as the Dallas Zoo and Wynnewood Shopping center and neighborhood.

Questions and Comments



Questions and Comments?

TxDOTs public meetings and hearings are posted on the state's website at http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/get-involved/about/hearings-meetings.html and interested citizens can ask to be added to the email notification.

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City Map



Transportation and Trinity River Project Committee
11 May 2015





Team





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Study Area





WHAT MAKES A GREAT CITY?-



It all starts with a conversation...

We believe great things happen when a city comes What's The Plan? together to develop a long-term vision for the future. We We will begin by listening. We want to know what you believe it's time to begin the conversation.

Long considered simply a way to "get there" or "get through there", urban interstates take on new meaning as communities like Dallas struggle to replace their aging transportation infrastructure and promote a great neighborhood experience. Changing views, needs, and expectations for greater neighborhood and regional connectivity and livability are motivating communities to examine both traditional and innovative transportation solutions.

Combined with funding limitations and population growth, the responsibility for urban planning, economic growth, the responsibility for urban planning, economic development, and city building become the collective and results in action! work of agencies, stakeholders and individuals to be successful.

What's The Vision?

The goal of this effort is to develop a set of transportation, urban design, and adjacent development scenarios with associated investment considerations for the major urban interstate corridors identified on the map. We will work with you to develop the Dallas City Center Master Assessment Process (CityMAP) to identify neighborhood redevelopment, preservation, and transportation scenarios for a comprehensive vision for the city's future.

think works and what doesn't within your community. We will use what we hear to integrate what we learn into the planning efforts currently underway in the city.

What's The Result?

Scenarios will be identified by integrating the community's vision with practical transportation and urban design solutions, construction and funding feasibility. Each scenario will promote a vision and demonstrate the tangible and intangible benefits to Dallas communities within the urban core.

www.dallascitymap.com

STUDY AREA MAP ON BACK



Stakeholder Outreach

One Pager

- Mailed to stakeholders inviting a conversation
- Explains the need
- Describes the process
- Defines study area
- Provides web site address



Project Purpose

Begin by listening.

- Dallas, Dallas County, key stakeholder and public input to Texas Department of Transportation ["TxDOT"].
- Listen to develop a comprehensive assessment.

Assess what we've heard.

- Listening informs the priorities.
- From what we hear, develop Attributes based on stakeholder priorities.

Develop scenarios.

- Practical scenarios developed based on priorities.
- Scenarios evaluated based on Attribute achievement. (Example on following slide)
- Final report will provide design and policy guidance for informed decision making.

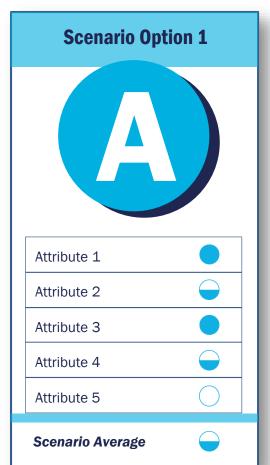


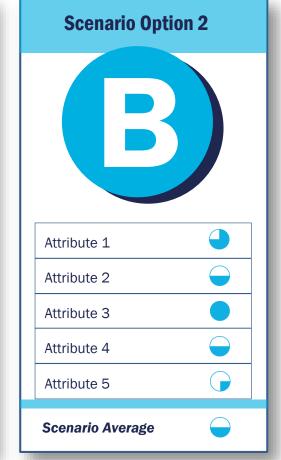
Scenario Evaluation Example

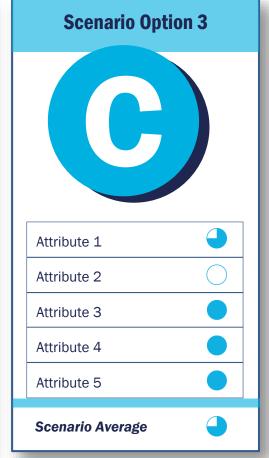
Weighing Design Scenarios with Measurable and Defining Attributes (Hypothetical location for presentation purposes only)

I-30 Scenario Location 1



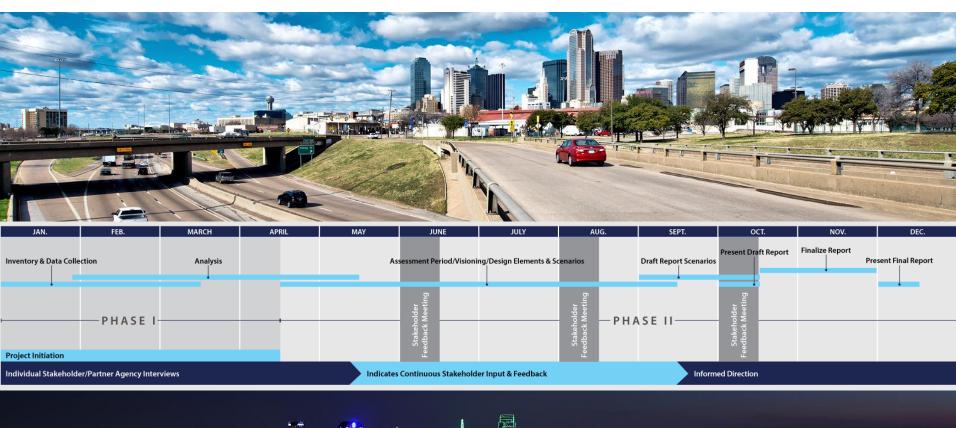








2015 Schedule







Listening Sessions to Date

Michael Morris

Dallas County

Commissioner Elba Garcia

NCTCOG

Judge Clay Jenkins

Dallas County

Mary Suhm & Alice Murray

Dallas Citizens Council

Jack Wierzenski & Steve Salin

DART

James Cornelius & Board

West Dallas COC

John Crawford

Downtown Dallas Inc.

Jill Jordan

City of Dallas

Patrick Kennedy

Coalition for a New Dallas

Theresa O'Donnell

City of Dallas

Amy Tharp

Uptown Dallas

Commissioner Mike Cantrell

Dallas County

AC Gonzalez

City of Dallas

Jack Matthews

Matthews Southwest

Dale Foster

505 Riverfront

Jan Blackmon & Board

AIA

Angela Matthews

ASCE

Robert Prejean

GDPC

Commissioner John Wiley Price

Dallas County

Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson

U.S. House of Representatives

Brent Brown

City of Dallas

Linda McMahon

Dallas Real Estate Council





What We're Hearing

The following represents a current sampling of "Top 10" stakeholder concerns and desires developed from listening sessions conducted as of 5 May 2015.







Housing/Urban

Development

Economic Development

I-345 Strategies

Parks & Open Spaces

Funding

Context Sensitive Solutions







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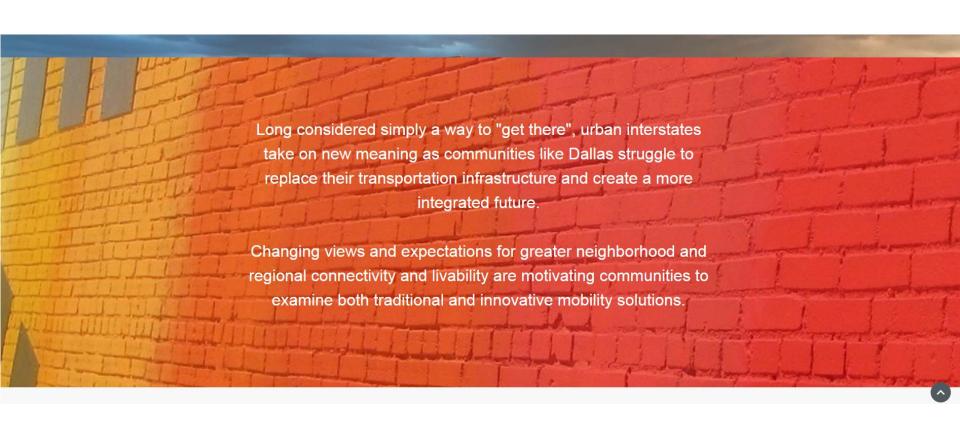
YOUR INVOLVEMENT can help shape the future of the DALLAS CITY CORE.
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LET'S WORK TOGETHER

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CONTACT US

City building takes time. Let's get started. Join the CONVERSATION and be part of the SOLUTION.

Be part of Dallas CityMAP.

	Your name:
Name (required)	
	Your email:
Email (required)	
	Your message:
Your Message	^
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