

Shawna Burkhart

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Cc: Barry Calhoun; Mayor's Office; Clayton Harris; Jeffrey Kalina
Subject: Signal Upgrades in Bay City

Ms. Burkhart,

Per your letter of August 18, 2020, TxDOT will not pursue upgrades for the SH 35 signals at Ave. G and Ave. H. However, with Ave. G and Ave. H no longer in the plan, we are now considering upgrading the signals on SH 60 at 6th Street and 8th Street (to maintain a total of five signal upgrades as part of our consultant contract). Similar to the upgrades along SH 35, we would want to maximize operational efficiency by adding left turn lanes. As such, the impacts along SH 60 at 6th Street would be virtually identical to the SH 35 locations. There would be quite a bit of lost parking to consider. For SH 60 at 8th Street, the loss of parking would not be as significant (three parallel spots in front of K-2's), but a portion of the decorative sidewalk (and likely the trees) would need to be removed in front of 9'ers.

TxDOT requests the City's consideration and confirmation to move forward with either or both of these signals. Should you have any questions or concerns, I would be happy to address them.

Thank you,
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