

City Council Regular Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

FROM: Errick Thompson, Deputy Director - Engineering

MEETING: October 3, 2022

SUBJECT:

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the Jayellen and Wintercrest Sidewalk Improvements Project. (Staff Contact: Errick Thompson, Public Works Deputy Director)

SUMMARY:

On March 22, 2022, the Council restored McNairn's status as a roadway and directed staff to develop a project that would install sidewalks along NW Jayellen Avenue and NW Wintercrest Road from SW Sunnybrook Drive to SW Hillside Drive.

On May 7, 2022, Burleson voters approved the 2022 General Obligation Bond Program including \$1.27 million for sidewalk improvements. A design contract was initiated in May 2022 with Weir & Associates and that effort is well underway. This item is to update Council on the preliminary design and receive Council direction.

The preliminary design enhances pedestrian safety to and from the STEAM Middle School and neighborhood walkability in general by adding a five-foot wide sidewalk within existing right-of-way on one side of Jayellen and one side of Wintercrest. Providing sidewalks on one side of the street reduces tree impacts, and utility conflicts. The project will require partially reconstructing 39 driveways and we will need property owner permission. The project limits also need to extend slightly along Hillside Drive and Sunnybrook Drive to complete ADA-compliant sidewalk connections. The project as currently envisioned is estimated at the existing budget of \$439K.

At this point we are seeking Council feedback on the preliminary design in order proceed with property owner coordination and final design. The current schedule anticipates engaging the property owners in October and completing design and construction bidding in Spring 2023.

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