
**CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2021
3:30-5:00 PM**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Chairman – Travis Crow

City Council Rep.—Geoffrey Tahuahua

Barrett Criswell – **Not present**

Vice Chair-- Sharon Hamilton –

Showed up 3:33pm

Aaron Reed, Public Works Director – **Not Present**

Planning & Zoning Commission Member—Jim
Martin

John Pettit

Ben Sorrell – Non-Voting Member

Chad Gilpin, P.E., City Engineer

INVITED GUESTS:

Hays Co. - Precinct 4 Comm. Walt Smith (Present at 3:36pm), Precinct 3 Comm. Lon Shell, County Engineer
Jerry Borcharding, P.E., Adam Leach, EIT

DSISD – Pam Swanks, Clint Pruet

TxDOT, Austin District, So. Area Office – William Semora, P.E., Reed Smith, P.E.

CAMPO – Doise Miers

HDR (City Traffic Engineering Consultant) –Leslie Pollack, P.E.

AGENDA

1. TXDOT

- Project Updates presented by Reed Smith
 - a. Highway 290 Study Update
 - b. Hwy 290 Paving Project
 - Paving is done and striping should be in by this week
 - c. Martin Road Intersection Improvements
 - Barriers added, should be finished in May
 - d. Needham Road/RR-12 Striping
 - Pavement marking refreshed
 - e. E. Creek Road/290 Striping
 - Modifications made
 - f. Striping to be added back on next month's agenda along with Sunset Canyon's light
- New/Other Project(s) Update

2. Hays County

- Update on Proposed Roundabout at RM12 & RM150
 - Hays County representatives gives a speech on this matter. He notes how the County came up with the road, the bonds involved, and the scheduling of March 2022 reviews. Mr. Erik Howard told the County his opinions of where the road should go. The County took note. County is undergoing ROW acquisitions. The County is expecting all utilities clear around late 2022. Construction to start in mid to late 2023 and finish at the end of 2023.
 - Travis Crow voices his opinions against the Roundabout
 - Commissioner Geoffrey makes note of emergency vehicles having easy passage/access during construction
 - Roundabout is proposed to have 2 lanes
 - Caliterra Resident notes that leaving Caliterra taking a left going north bound is difficult and having that light at 150 and 12 helps them cross. Having a roundabout would make it difficult.
 - Having a signal there would require a light and traffic study. Travis Crows points out that it may block that passage of the roundabout if a signal was added. The County rebuttals this.
 - John Pettit notes city with traffic circles allowing for continuous flow of traffic probably to lead into Caliterra maybe having a traffic circle.
 - Bill Hill notes a bottleneck at Sportspark Rd and RR12. The City is working with PDD11 and Village Grove. Commissioner Geoffrey makes note on the outlook of ROW acquisition and traffic easement.
- Update on Southwest Bypass
 - Commissioner Smith gives a speech on this project. Looking at a connection for 165 and Creek Rd. There needs to be a western connection there. Potential connection from Caliterra Parkway to Roger Hanks Parkway.
- New/Other Projects(s) Update
 - County selecting contractors for Martin Rd 290 and Henley.
 - Crosswalks on Nutty Brown and Darden Hill

3. Dripping Springs

- Proposed Rob Shelton North Improvements—Presentation by Doucet & Associates
 - Proposed improvements are presented to the Committee and some members of the public via physical copies of sheets
 - Joe Grasso presents 3 options
 - Curb & Gutter (\$1 Million)
 - Leslie notes this option is viable
 - No Curb & Gutter, Ribbon Curb (\$863K)
 - This one would have to be more careful about the wastewater line going from 9ft to 3-5ft
 - Leslie notes this is least pedestrian friendly
 - Chad notes draining to the sidewalk as a less desirable option
 - Curb that allows drainage to pass through it or capture it depending on final drainage numbers and allow it to go into the pond
 - \$887K
 - Leslie notes this is viable
 - Chad notes this accomplishes what option 1 does and is more economical and his similar in drainage

- Mr. Grasso prefers recommends either option 1 or option 3
 - Mr. Grasso notes how the flow of water moves on the Cannon tract and feels comfortable that he could make it work with option 3 drainage
 - Commissioner Smith points out that the existing sidewalk on the East side cuts off. Sidewalks need to be continuous to a crosswalk should be added
 - The inlet may need to be moved
 - Separation of Curb & Gutter for pedestrians
 - Option 3 – Shannon, John Pettit, Jim Martin, Cad
 - No votes for option 2
- Status of Rob Shelton South Improvements
 - Chad voices update.
 - 2022 Traffic Symposium
 - Committee to meet in January. Aaron is taking the lead on this.
4. HDR (Traffic Engineering Consultant)
- Status of Traffic Impact Analysis Reviews/Task Orders:
 - a. New Growth
 - No Updates because TIAs have not been revised
 - b. Village Grove
 - Submission of TIA is to happen fairly soon, sometime in early 2022
 - c. PDD 11—RR 12 Multi-family project
 - No Updates because TIAs have not been revised
 - d. Arrowhead Ranch C-Store
 - No Updates because TIAs have not been revised
 - e. Cannon East
 - f. Ariza Springs
 - New TIA
 - Development to be around Polo Club, northside of 290
5. New Business
6. Adjourn 5:14pm

