

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS

RESOLUTION No. HPC2023-R01

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT BY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (“HPC”) OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS (“CITY”) FOR THE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CREATION OF PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST TRAIL CONNECTIONS FROM MERCER ST TO RR-12 ALONG OLD FITZHUGH RD.

WHEREAS, the City of Dripping Springs Historic Preservation Commission (“HPC”) is aware of the lack of pedestrian/ cyclist trails or sidewalks along Old Fitzhugh Road from Mercer St. to Ranch Road 12 (Area); and

WHEREAS, in order to make the Area safe for pedestrians and cyclists, including all residents, visitors, and ADA (Americans with Disabilities) pedestrians; significant work must be done to create ADA pathways; and

WHEREAS, funding from the 2023 TxDOT TASA Program would afford the construction of several, needed improvements within the Area slated as: Construction of an 8' concrete sidewalk, ADA-compliant curb ramps, and curb and gutter on the west side of Old Fitzhugh Road between Mercer Street and RM 12 (~3,200 LF). The project includes five speed tables with raised crosswalks and safety lighting. Bicycle racks are provided at five locations on the corridor. The project addresses pedestrian safety and connectivity issues between Downtown Dripping Springs and the Mercer Street Historic District.; and

WHEREAS, with the constant flow of commercial vehicles and cars, it is extremely dangerous for pedestrians to traverse the Area without a safe route; and

WHEREAS, the HPC believes funding under the 2023 TxDOT TASA Program for the improvement and enhancement of a shared pathway in the Area would provide safety for the City’s residents and patrons alike.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS:

1. The Dripping Springs Historic Preservation Commission supports the safe travel of all residents and patrons of the City.
2. The Dripping Springs Historic Preservation Commission supports submission of the application for funding under the 2023 TxDOT TASA Program to create a shared pedestrian/cyclist pathway of various parts on the west side of Old Fitzhugh Road from Mercer St. to Ranch Road 12 and surrounding area.

3. The meeting at which this Resolution was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

PASSED & APPROVED this, the 2nd day of February 2023, by a vote of _____ (ayes) to _____ (nays) to _____ (abstentions) of the Historic Preservation Commission of Dripping Springs, Texas.

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS:

Dean Erickson, Historic Preservation Commission Chair

ATTEST:

Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary