

CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION ITEM CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH, TEXAS

AGENDA TOPIC: Consideration and possible action approving a resolution of the City Council

of the City of Fair Oaks Ranch supporting the Texas Department of

Transportation FM 3351 expansion project between IH-10 and SH 46

DATE: October 19, 2023

DEPARTMENT: City Council

PRESENTED BY: Carole H. Vanzant, CPM, Assistant City Manager, Community Services

Mayor Gregory C. Maxton

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

Texas Department of Transportation ("TxDOT") has begun a study to review the expansion of FM 3351 covering portions of Kendall, Bexar, and Comal counties, as well as areas within the city limits and/or extra-territorial jurisdiction of Fair Oaks Ranch and San Antonio (Exhibit A attached). The review will identify potential concepts for additional travel lanes, the completion of environmental studies, reconstruction of the Cibolo Creek bridge, and consideration of bicycle and pedestrian accommodations that will be based on traffic, safety, and local access needs. The expansion of FM 3351 is listed in the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Metropolitan Transportation Plans "Mobility 2040, 2045, and 2050" as a critical piece in the transportation network to help relieve congestion and access issues.

In August, a TxDOT meeting was held with the stakeholders to share information on the following FM 3351 study and projects:

- 1. Cibolo Creek Bridge Project.
 - a. Funded at an approximate cost of \$12 million.
 - b. Scheduled to let in early 2024.
- 2. Schematic and Environmental Project from IH-10 to Old Paseo Way.
 - a. Priority due to safety and congestion concerns.
 - b. Schematic and environmental design has begun.
 - c. Construction not funded.
- 3. Feasibility Study from IH-10 to SH 46.
 - a. On pause as TxDot requests verification from the stakeholders the project should be advanced.

This agenda item is for Council to consider affirming their support of Texas Department of Transportation to perform various project development activities of the FM 3351 project in an effort to reduce congestion and improve safety and mobility along FM 3351.

POLICY ANALYSIS/BENEFIT(S) TO CITIZENS:

- 1. The expansion aims to reduce congestion and improve safety and mobility along FM 3351 between IH-10 and SH 46.
- 2. Pillar 3 of the Strategic Action Plan for Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure.
- 3. City participation in the FM 3351 Coordination Committee meetings ensures visibility, alignment, and shared responsibilities by all parties.

LONG-TERM FINANCIAL & BUDGETARY IMPACT:

According to TxDOT representatives and also mentioned at the Kendall County Commissioners Court meeting, a recent update to the Texas Administrative Code no longer requires local government entities to pay for 10% right-of-way costs for existing FM roadways.

LEGAL ANALYSIS:

The City Attorney approved the resolution to form.

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED MOTION:

I move to approve a resolution of the City Council of the City of Fair Oaks Ranch supporting the Texas Department of Transportation FM 3351 expansion project between IH-10 and SH 46.