

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

PROPOSED MEETING DATE:	August 7, 2024
PREPARED BY:	Scott Moore, City Manager
DEPARTMENT:	Administration

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on authorizing a letter of support to the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority for U.S. 290 Highway Improvements.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

On February 1, 2024, city officials met with Commissioner Travillion, TXDOT and CTRMA representatives to discuss the current growth projections and traffic impacting the community and public safety response times. The US290 corridor was discussed and has become a priority to be considered for future consideration. Another option for the city to explore is to request CTRMA to consider adding this project to their capital project list to initiate the preliminary environmental study. The preliminary study is a high-level assessment that is required to evaluate best approach to expanding the highway within the existing right-of-way limits and identify any environmental constraints while understanding the community and economic goals during the planning phase of the study. The study will assist the state and federal agencies to properly evaluate the project development, design, and construction, including capital and operating costs. The preliminary study is required to gather community feedback and inform us of those significant findings during the entire review process.

The City Council is being requested to support the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (CTRMA) to initiate the process of conducting a feasibility study for the expansion of U.S. 290 from SH130 Toll to the City of Elgin. The 290 corridor through the City of Manor generates over 62,000 vehicles per day. With an estimated 14,400 new homes planned for the community, this will increase the city's population by an estimated 43,200 new residents over the next 7 to 10 years.

- LEGAL REVIEW: Not Applicable
- FISCAL IMPACT: Not Applicable
- PRESENTATION: No
- ATTACHMENTS: Yes
 - Letter of Support CTRMA

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

It is the city staff's recommendation that the City Council approve and authorizing a letter of support to the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority for U.S. 290 Highway Improvements.