## CITY OF PORT LAVACA

## COUNCIL MEETING: JUNE 9, 2025

DATE: 06.05.2025
TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS
FROM: JODY WEAVER, INTERIM CITY MANAGER
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING APPLICATION TO TXDOT 2025 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET ASIDE CALL FOR PROJECTS

## **Background:**

As you recall in February we submitted two Phase I applications in response to TxDOT's call for Alternative Transportation projects. In March we were invited to combine the two projects into one and submit a formal application, which is due on June 20. CivilCorp is assisting us with this application. With our available transportation credits, we are not required to provide matching dollars. The Yoakum District has told us that if we are successful, they will design and management the project on our behalf.

Attached are two project site drawings depicting the connectivity of the sidewalks proposed in this project:

- 1) FM 1090 (North Virginia) TO HEB 6 ft sidewalk
  - Oakglen to Independence on east side of FM 1090 with LED streetlights added to AEP poles
  - Crosswalk
  - Independence to HEB on the west side of Independence with added lights as needed
- 2) SEAGREENS TO TRAVIS MIDDLE SCHOOL 5' sidewalk
  - San Antonio from South to Chestnut
  - Chestnut from San Antonio to Benavides
  - Benavides from Chestnut to Leona
  - Leona from Benavides to San Antonio
  - San Antonio from Leona to Tilley

We are publicizing a survey on Facebook and are working with the management of Seagreens to get a survey filled out by their residents. With the help of several people, we have been collecting photos of people walking in the road along these routes. We will be soliciting letters of support this next week with an article in the Wave. To date we have had 32 responses, with about 2/3<sup>rd</sup> stating that they consider construction of the proposed sidewalks as "Very Important" and would feel much safer walking these routes with a sidewalk. About 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of the respondents also stated they walk primarily for exercise, but there a few that walk to or from school or work.. Over 50% say that they would utilize these sidewalks at least once a week if constructed.

**<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**: Approve Resolution #R-060925-1 supporting the application to submit a 2025 TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside project.



