

# CITY OF SAN ANTONIO CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

**TO:** 2017 Streets, Bridges & Sidewalks Community Bond Committee

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**SUBJECT:** 2017 STREETS, BRIGDES & SIDEWALKS COMMUNITY BOND COMMITTEE REQUESTED INFORMATION

This memo addresses requests for information from Committee members and citizens from the Streets, Bridges & Sidewalks 2017 Community Bond Committee meeting held on October 25.

## Committee Member Requests

**Project Locations** – Committee Member John Kelly (District 8) requested that the City Council Districts be provided for five of the projects outlined by Mike Frisbie in his presentation. They include:

PROJECT	DISTRICT	COST
Griggs Avenue (Fig to north of Efron)	District 5	\$2.4 million
34 <sup>th</sup> Street (Castroville to Enrique Barrera)	District 6	\$9 million
Fredericksburg Road	District 1	\$8 million
Fort Sam ISD – egress road	District 2	\$2 million
Sligo, Esma & San Juan	District 3	\$10 million

**Traffic Analysis (Fort Sam Independent School District)** – Committee Member Patty Gibbons (District 9) asked if a traffic analysis could be done on Winans Road. This is linked to Fort Sam ISD's request for a road from the Robert J. Cole High School area to Rittiman Road. Fort Sam ISD states that this area only has one exit to Winans Road and that this creates a traffic safety and potentially a security issue for the school and adjacent military housing area. Given the time constraints and lack of funding, a traffic analysis study will not be done at this time.

**District 7 Projects** – Committee Member Bianca Maldonado (District 7) asked that cost estimates that had previously been requested of TCI be placed in the Committee record. These estimates include:

AREA	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	COST
Jefferson HS	Wilson Blvd Median Phase II (Lighting and Underground Conversion)	\$ 2,300,000
	Thespian Island Phase II (Fountain Restoration and Landscaping)	\$ 350,000
	700 Block of Donaldson including Kampmann and 500 Block of Club (Lighting and Underground Conversion)	\$ 2,700,000
Monticello Park	North Drive from Fredericksburg Road to Wilson (Sidewalks, Curbs)	\$ 4,000,000

	Driveway Approaches, ADA and Drainage)	
	Furr Drive from Fredericksburg Road to Kampmann (Streets, Sidewalks, Curbs, Driveways and ADA)	\$ 3,900,000
	Lake Boulevard from intersection of Lake/Club to Lake/West Woodlawn (Sidewalks one side of street)	\$ 540,000

These projects have been added to the unfunded new projects list that will be distributed at the next Committee Community meeting.

**Hardberger Land Bridge** – For the Committee’s reference, clarified information regarding the proposed Hardberger Land Bridge is provided below:

- The Land Bridge will accommodate emergency vehicles.
- The Phil Hardberger Park Conservancy is raising \$10 million for the Land Bridge and they have raised \$5 million of the \$10 million to date.

**Citizens to be Heard Requests**

**North New Braunfels Road** - William Schiller, resident of District 10, highlighted a drainage issue on North New Braunfels Road. Mr. Schiller had previously spoken at the first Drainage Committee meeting and staff had prepared a response that was presented at the October 27 Drainage Committee meeting. The estimated cost of a solution to the issues highlighted on New Braunfels is \$35 million.

**West Baetz Blvd** - Mr. John Ontiveros, resident of District 3, requested sidewalk and drainage improvements on West Baetz Blvd between Moursund Blvd and Commercial Avenue. Staff has developed a capital project cost estimate of \$6 million for roadway reconstruction.

**Hays Street Bridge** - Ms. Nettie Hinton, Hays Street Bridge Restoration Group, provided a short history of the Hays Street Bridge project stating that the City had reneged on developing adjacent property into a recreational area to include restroom, skate park and water fountain facilities. The Street, Bridges & Sidewalk proposition is not the appropriate source to develop or construct the requested recreational area amenities, the Parks & Recreation area would be more appropriate for this.

**Southcross and Pierian** - Mr. Andy Castillo discussed an issue at the Southcross and Pierian area near Dwight Middle School. Vehicles frequently fail to negotiate the turn and end up either in the School garden or onto property belonging to an auto repair shop. Mike Frisbie will present at the November 7 meeting solutions ranging from an approximately \$75,000 operational fix to an approximately \$1.6 million capital project that would involve reconstruction of the roadway to lessen the curve. Both options would involve a permanent closure of Pierian Road south of Southcross.

**Pine/Porter/Aransas & Florida/Delaware/Utah Streets** - Mr. Giles Gonnsen spoke in support of the Pine/Porter/Aransas project that staff discussed. Mr. Gonnsen also stated that the surrounding area (Florida Street, Delaware Street and Utah Street) also could benefit from increased pavement and sidewalk work. Staff will examine the needs in the surrounding area mention and recommends that the

work be completed through the proposed 2017 Bond Program as a potential Pedestrian Mobility project or within the City's annual operating budget as a Neighborhood Access Mobility Program (NAMP) project.

**Castroville Road** - Ms. Elena Gonzalez requested new speed humps or pedestrian lights for Castroville Road near the YWCA and Las Palmas Library at 515 Castroville Road. Pedestrians in this area need to cross four lanes of traffic. Staff recommends these issues can be best handled through the proposed 2017 Bond Program as a potential Pedestrian Mobility project. Pedestrian improvements might include a refuge island, pedestrian dedicated signals, traffic calming devices and wider sidewalks. Improvements would depend on pedestrian counts and site restrictions. An approximate cost for this would be \$150,000.

**North Drive and Furr Drive** - Ms. Andrea Garza, resident of District 7, requested that North Drive and Furr Drive within Woodlawn Lake be considered for improvements. Staff has developed project costs to reconstruct North Drive (\$4 million) and Furr Drive (\$3.9 million). These two projects also were submitted by Committee Member Bianca Maldonado (District 7).

**Southton Road** - Ms. Amanda Merck, resident of District 3, requested infrastructure changes along Southton Road south of Loop 410. She expressed the need for traffic calming along Southton Road, south of Loop 410 in order to increase pedestrian and cyclist safety. Staff is looking into these issues. Additionally, dialog is underway with the Metropolitan Planning Organization to submit a potential project for the Transportation Alternative Program.