



DATE: FEBRUARY 16, 2021
SUBJECT: LETTER OF CLARIFICATION NUMBER 1
RE: RFQ NO. 2021-003 LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY SERVICES
OWNER: CITY OF EDINBURG
TO: ALL PROSPECTIVE RESPONDENTS

THIS LETTER OF CLARIFICATION IS ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:

The following questions and City of Edinburg responses are hereby incorporated and made part of the Request for Qualifications:

QUESTION 1: Is the City's state and federal legislative agenda posted somewhere for us to reference?

ANSWER:

Presentation attached. Will work with selected lobbyist to finalize formatting.

QUESTION 2: Will the winter weather effect the deadline given possible disruptions in mail delivery within the state? If so, will there be a grace period given the weather?

ANSWER: We don't anticipate an extension at this time.

QUESTION 3: Does the City have a maximum 30 bound pages per set or 30 pages in total inclusive of the 3 sets?

ANSWER: Maximum 30 per set. No minimum required.

QUESTION 4: Should the three sets be mailed separately or together?

ANSWER: Sets may be mailed together or separately, but each set must be clearly marked on the outside.

QUESTION 5: Can you confirm that the address below is correct for signed delivery? (The P.O. Box gave us concern that the address may be accurate for signed delivery.)

*City of Edinburg City Hall
Attn: City Secretary
415 W. University Drive, P.O. Box 1079
Edinburg, Texas 78541*

ANSWER:

If Hand-delivering Bids: City of Edinburg
415 West University Drive,
c/o City Secretary Department (1st Floor)

If using Land Courier (i.e., FedEx, UPS): City of Edinburg
c/o City Secretary
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Edinburg, Texas 78541

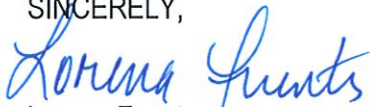
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P.O. Box 1079
Edinburg, TX 78540-1079

QUESTION 6: Does the City have a timeline for review of the RFQ and a target date to award the contract?

ANSWER: Hope to award contract no later than March 12th.

WHEN ISSUED, LETTER(S) OF CLARIFICATIONS SHALL AUTOMATICALLY BECOME A PART OF THE RFQ DOCUMENTS AND SHALL SUPERSEDE ANY PREVIOUS SPECIFICATIONS AND/OR PROVISIONS MADE. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RESPONDENTS TO ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE OBTAINED ANY SUCH PREVIOUS LETTERS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS SOLICITATION. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING FURTHER CLARIFICATIONS FOR THIS SOLICITATION, PLEASE CONTACT ME AT lfuentes@cityofedinburg.com OR (956) 388-1895 EXT. 8972.

SINCERELY,



Lorena Fuentes
Finance Department
Purchasing Division

**City of Edinburg
City Council**

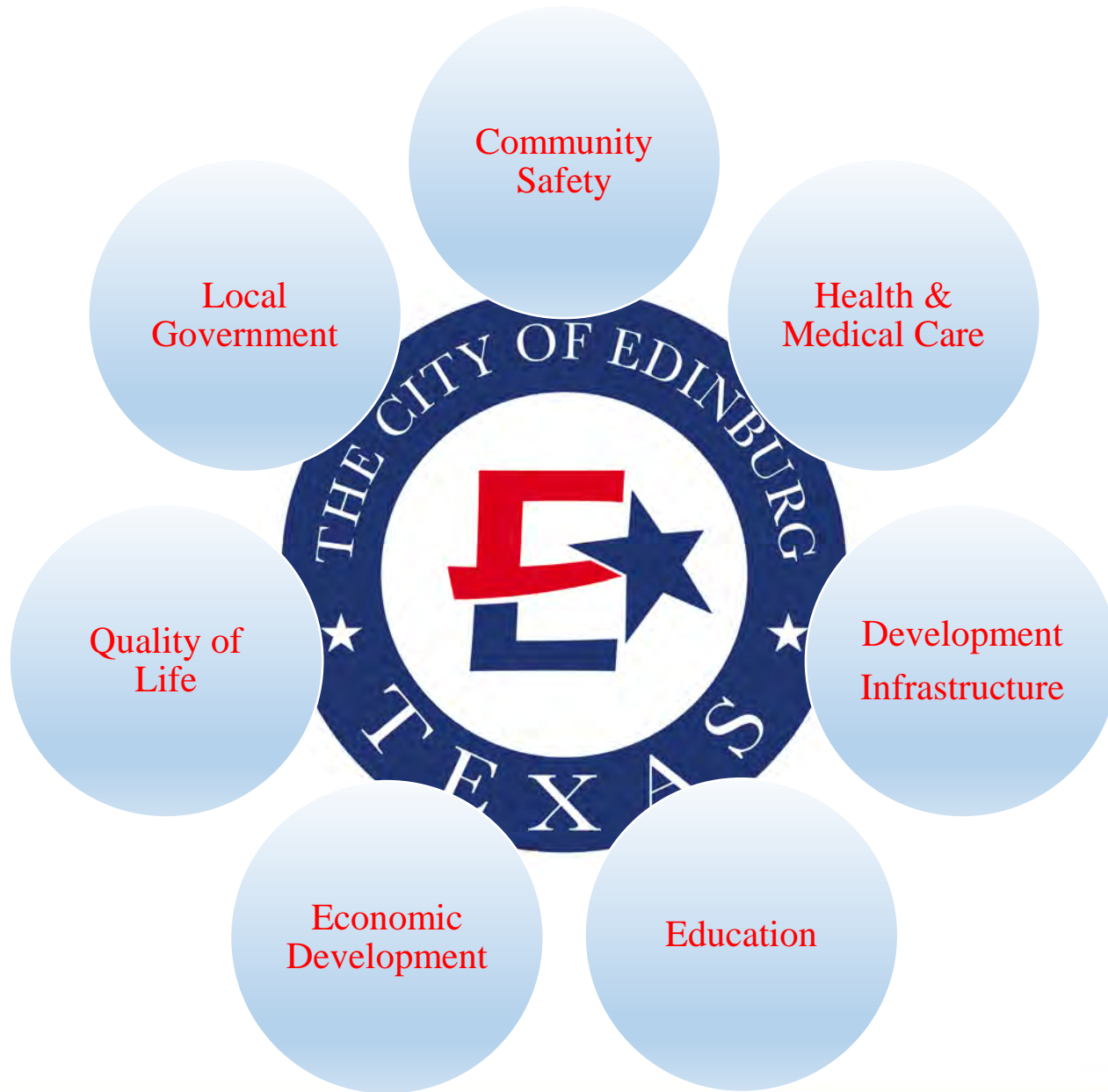


Legislative Priorities Workshop

Thursday, January 28, 2021
12pm



- Overview of the 87th Legislature
Regular Session
- General Priorities & Legislative Position
- Key Priority Needs
- Notable Bills



General Priorities & Legislative Position



COMMUNITY SAFETY:

The City supports legislation which provides the highest level of community safety to all Edinburg residents.

Priorities include:

- Increased community and neighborhood policing resources,
- Intervention and victim protection programs,
- Expanded social services, and
- Emergency management recovery assistance.



HEALTH & MEDICAL CARE

The City supports legislation which creates greater healthcare systems and improved access to suitable, low-cost, and preventative health care coverage and resources.

Priorities include:

- Removal of healthcare barriers for low-income, socially at-risk, venerable, genetically predisposed, and individuals with chronic mental or health conditions.



DEVELOPMENT INFRASTRUCTURE

The City supports legislation and funding to address the need for critical community development infrastructure.

Priorities include:

- Resources for added flood mitigation & drainage improvements,
- Transportation & Mobility Expansion (airport, road, hike/bike, and transit)
- Environmental quality & waste management.



EDUCATION:

The City supports legislation which advances access to quality education, from preschool through higher education where each student has the educational resources to achieve success.

Priorities include:

- Expanded broadband coverage,
- Suitable education facilities and properly trained/paid educators,
- Increased access to student meal programs, and
- Additional higher education programs aligned with in-demand, local occupations.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The City supports legislation which strengthens the local economy by providing resources to attract and retain competitive-wage employers, supporting locally-owed small businesses, and creating a more resilient, revenue-diversified city.

Priorities include:

- Maintaining state economic development incentives,
- Expanding workforce and skills training programs, and
- Further Supporting the full recovery (due to Covid-19) of sectors such as tourism, entertainment, and the hotel industry.



QUALITY OF LIFE

The City supports legislation which contributes to the expansion of “quality of life” resources and infrastructure providing numerous health, economic, and development benefits to the city.

Priorities include:

- Expanded funding for parks & recreational facilities,
- Additional hike n’ bike trail systems,
- Expansion of museums and cultural arts amenities, and
- Preservation and expansion of green space.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The city supports the continued ability to equitably collect tax revenue and implement local decisions, ordinances, and policies to address the specific and individualized needs of its community.



Key Priorities to Address: (Potential Requests)

1. Intersection Congestion Relief & Safety Improvements (\$4.5M)

- Collector 500ft Shoulder Program

2. Small Business Covid-19 Relief (\$1M)

- SPARC Program

3. Illegal Dumping of Tires (\$1.5M)

- Tire Shredder / Pulverizer

4. Airport Infrastructure (\$3M?)

- Perimeter Fencing
- Water / Sewer
- Drainage Improvements

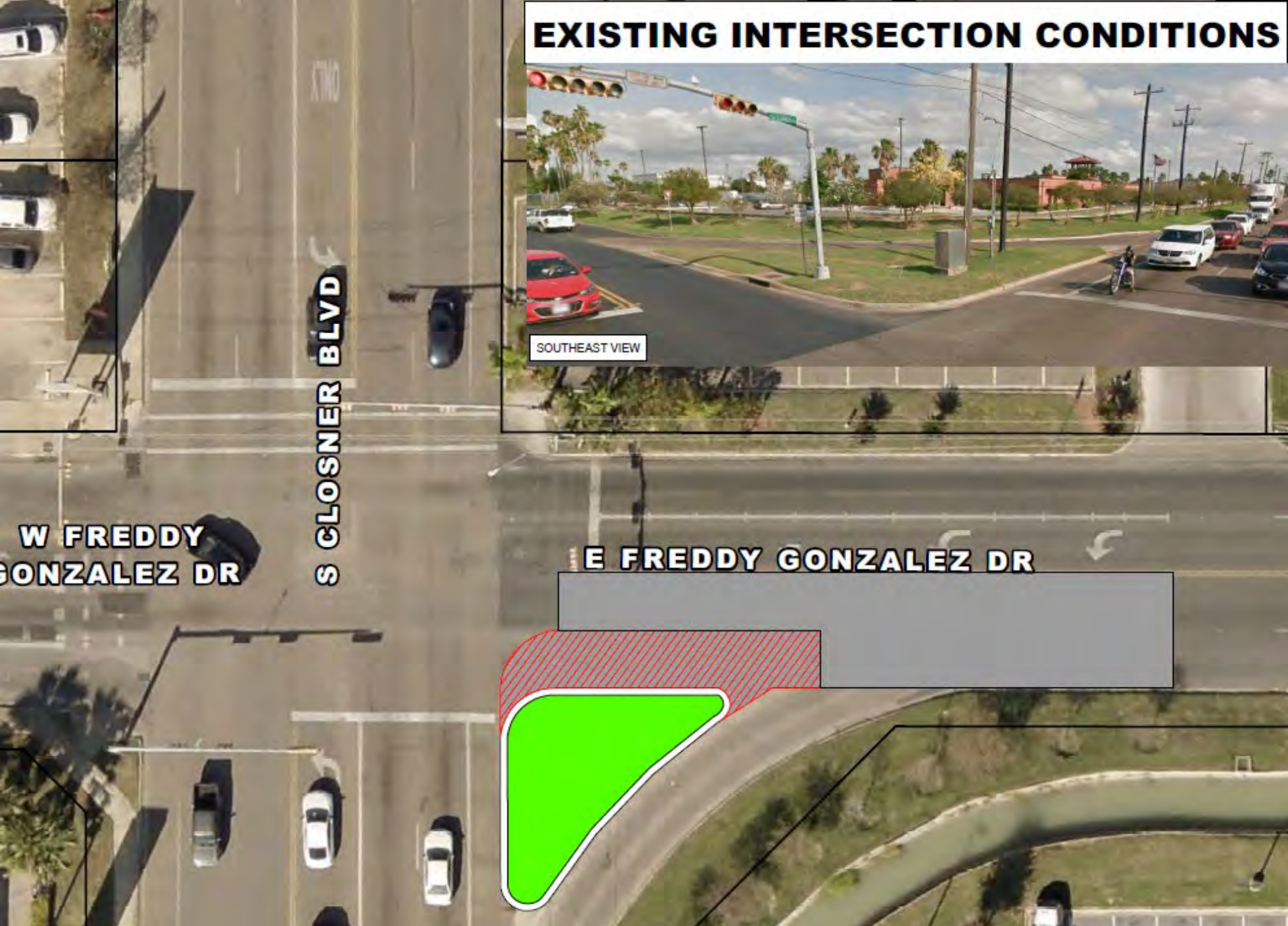


Intersection Congestion Relief

Collector Shoulders (\$4.5M)

- 1 Closner (US BUS 83) & Freddy Gonzalez**
- 2 Wisconsin Rd & McColl Rd.**
- 3 Wisconsin Rd & Jackson Rd.**
- 4 Closner (US BUS 83) & Rogers Rd.**
- 5 Doolittle Rd. & SH 107**
- 6 Veterans & Freddy Gonzalez**
- 7 Wisconsin Rd & Closner (US BUS 83)**
- 8 Wisconsin Rd & Sugar Rd.**
- 9 McColl Rd. & Schunior Rd.**
- 10 McColl Rd. & Sprague**
- 11 Raul Longoria Rd. & Wisconsin Rd.**
- 12 Raul Longoria Rd. & Canton Rd.**
- 13 Raul Longoria Rd. & Sprague**
- 14 Raul Longoria Rd. & Trenton Rd.**
- 15 Richardson Rd. & Doolittle**
- 16 Richardson Rd. & M Rd.**
- 17 Monte Christo Rd. & Doolittle Rd.**

EXISTING INTERSECTION CONDITIONS



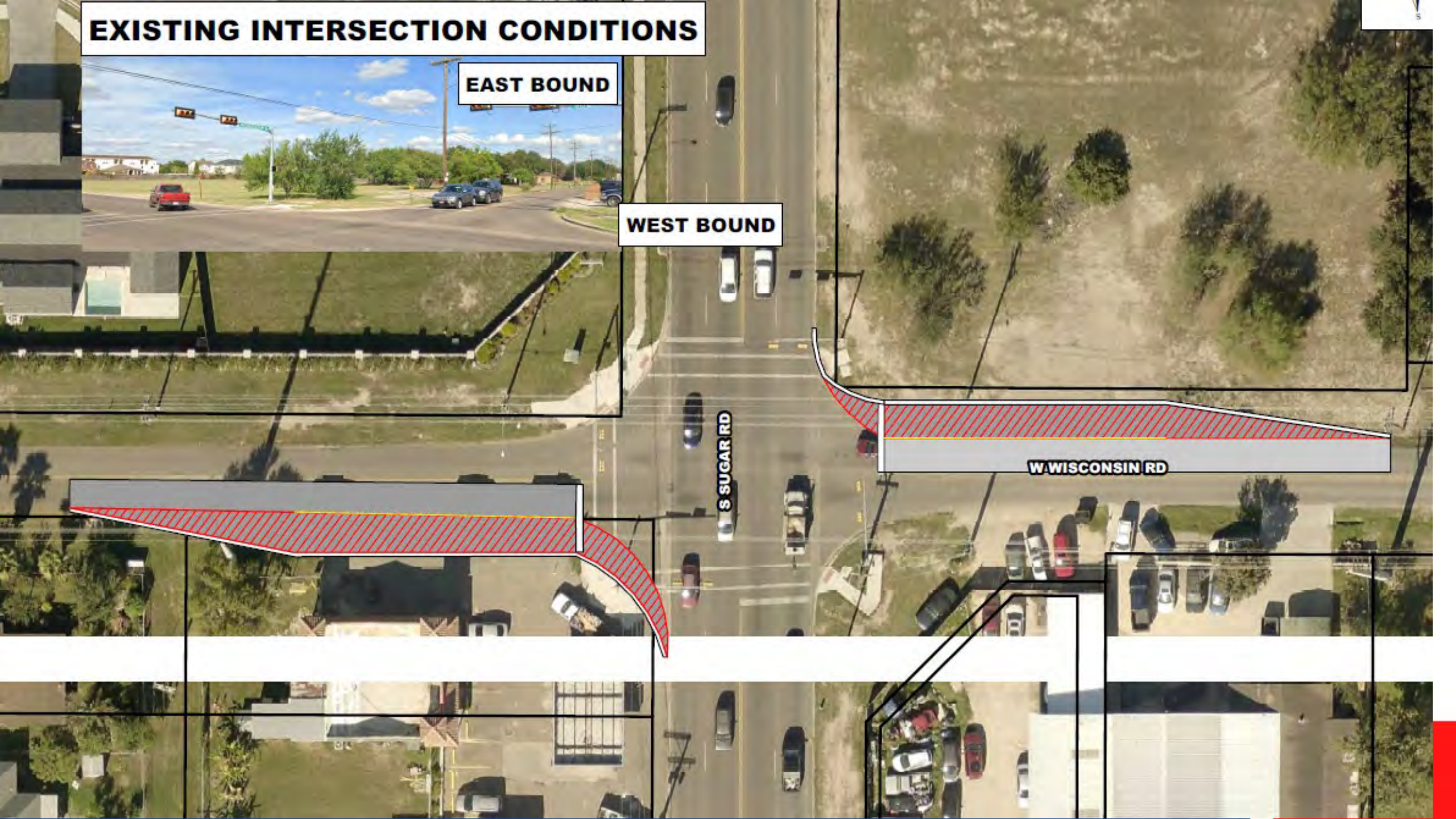
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EAST BOUND

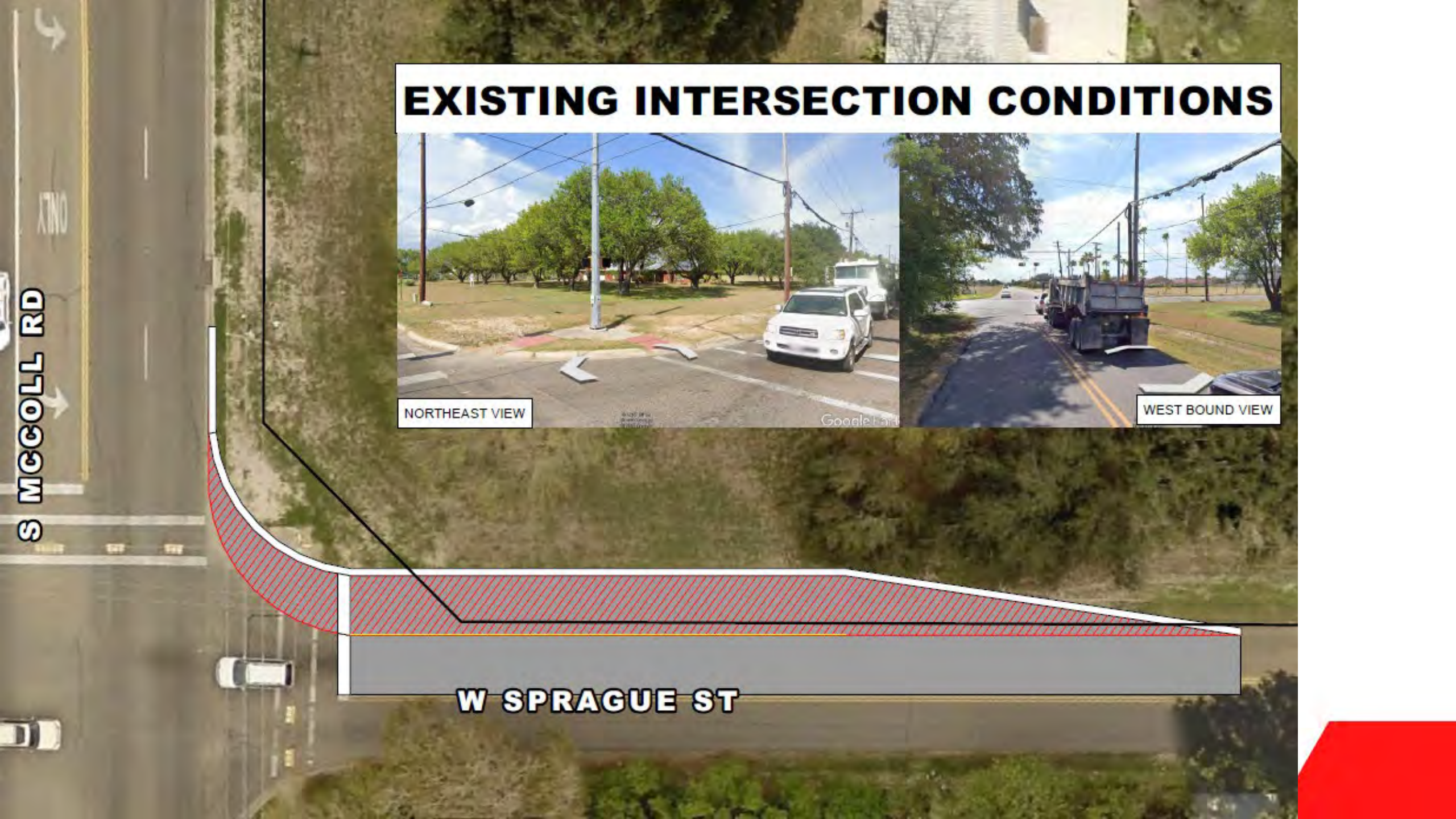
WEST BOUND

S SUGAR RD

W. WISCONSIN RD



EXISTING INTERSECTION CONDITIONS





Small Business Covid-19 Relief

S.P.A.R.C. Program (\$1M)





Illegal Dumping of Tires

Tire Shredding Program (\$1.5M)





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Airport **Infrastructure Improvements**

- Perimeter Fencing (\$2M)
- Drainage Improvements (Detention Facilities) (\$4M)
- Wastewater System (\$6.5M)

- Terminal Expansion (\$3M)
- Hangar (\$4M)
- Adjacent Land Acquisition (\$2M)



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Key Priorities: (Funding Support Statements)

• TXDOT:

- I69 Connector (\$500 Mil)
- US281/I69C Interstate Upgrade (FM490 to San Manuel) (\$39 Mil Shortfall)

• UTRGV Support

- Fully fund the formula
- Restore %5 budget reduction
- Maintain base funding (non-formula) for expansion of programs



169 Connector (I69C to I69E)

Unfunded



FM 1925

(COLLABORATION W/ TXDOT, CCRMA, AND HCRMA)

DESCRIPTION:

- ▶ PROJECT LENGTH ~27 MILES
- ▶ FROM I-69C IN HIDALGO COUNTY TO I-69E IN CAMERON COUNTY
- ▶ KEY PARALLEL CORRIDOR TO I-2 WITH IMPORTANCE TO MOBILITY PROJECTS BY TXDOT, CCRMA AND HCRMA
- ▶ TXDOT COMMITTED SUPPLEMENTAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FUNDS FOR THE ENTIRE 27 MILE CORRIDOR AS AN EXPRESSWAY FACILITY.
- ▶ TXDOT HAS COMMITTED TO FUNDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SCHEMATIC DESIGN AND ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS.