Transportation Services Advisory Committee Minutes October 1, 2025 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Absent:

Mr. Ed Costello

Mr. Brad Hall

Mr. Bill Meredith

Dean Mark Zoran

Ms. Adelade Edgington

This was an in-person meeting with a zoom option.

Present:

Mr. Bill Cox

Mr. Joe Dillard

Ms. Jennifer Enloe

Ms. Tracey Forman

Mr. Patrick Grigsby

Dr. Angie Hill Price

Dr. James Howell

Dr. Andrew Klein

Mr. James Jim Kovar

Ms. Amanda Pelton

Ms. Joy Pritz

Ms. Deborah Wright

Guests:

Ms. Debbie Albert

Online:

Dr. Robert Carpenter

Mr. Sam Chew

Dr. Kristen Harrell

Ms. Erin Jones

Called to Order at 11:45 a.m. by Ms. Debbie Lollar

- 1. Review/Approve Minutes from the September 3, 2025, Meeting: Ms. Debbie Lollar
 - Approved by Mr. Patrick Grigsby
 - Seconded by Ms. Tracey Forman
- 2. Updates: Ms. Debbie Lollar
 - Welcome! We worked on five major projects this summer and only have 2 completions pending.
 - Penberthy Blvd. We are working on some fencing adjustments, updating the multiuse path.
 - Penberthy Blvd./Tom Chandler Dr. Monitoring this intersection and looking at some possible modifications.
 - Bus Hub The shelter tops are pending installation.
 - Garage #8 We have been approved to move forward to design, pending RFQ's to let for selection. Possibly by the beginning of 2026.
 - Garage #9 We have determined that we will not build one year later from Garage #8 as previously discussed but will continue to site. We are awaiting feedback on possible areas and looking at the possibility of East campus. Traffic is the most challenging component.
 - The bollards for the Stallings Garage construction/renovations have been installed. We are looking at a slow-moving vehicle component for this area.

- Game Days Games have run very smoothly with the exception of last weeks game. There
 were several contributing factors, and it took about 1 hour 40 minutes to empty the traffic
 out of campus.
- 3. University Drive Implementation Study: Ms. Debbie Albert (PowerPoint)
 - The corridor work has been ongoing for some time now.
 - 2022-2023 TXDoT Study Concluded in early 2025 and was focused on the community connection – Bryan, College Station, Campus. The study looked at different types of improvements. Project study area from TX Avenue to Wellborn Road.
 - Improvement Types Tunnels, Bridges, At-grad (raise or lower the street), spiral ramp entry, linear ramp entry.
 - Factors to consider There was input by the cities, and a goal to start conversations with private property owners.
 - Conceptual Layout Evaluation to identify potential concepts. Collaboration and talks will be required with property owners.
 - Renderings:
 - o Polo/Century Square at grade crossing with lowered University Drive.
 - Dr. Robert Carpenter Was the water runoff addressed?
 - Ms. Debbie Albert That would come from the actual engineering. It will be taken into consideration.
 - Spence Street Tunnel concept with street closure, no vehicle connection. Separation of bikes and pedestrians.
 - Dr. Angie Hill Price The loading dock to Zachary is there. There is a lot of access that happens at Zachary to be considered.
 - Ms. Debbie Albert That is part of the discussion. Great input.
 - Nagle Street/Ireland Street Tunnel concept and continues to retain access to Northside Garage.
 - Mr. Jim Kovar Will the crosswalk crossing Nagle be retained?
 - Ms. Debbie Albert Access will be maintained, depending on the final design.
 Discussions with the property owners will continue.
 - College Main/Boyett (Open Idea) At grade crossing, lowered University Drive. This is the least expensive of the two options. This will require closing some streets.
 - College Main/Boyett (Covered Idea) At grade crossing, lowered University Drive. More expensive option. Closed off with a park like plaza on top.
 - Dr. Angie Hill Price This concept spreads people out.
 - Dr. Andrew Klein More value to properties.
 - Dr. Angie Hill Price What about the other intersection at Northside?
 - Ms. Debbie Albert It was evaluated.
 - Mr. Bill Cox Development was also considered.
 - Mr. Jim Kovar Consideration of it not being a rollercoaster alternating from at grade and lowered.
 - Agronomy Road This was not part of the TxDOT study, but the University has a lot of interest in this area.

- Summary There were four initial locations in the study. Ideas and concepts will continue to be vetted. I am taking your feedback to them. The next step is Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The study will determine priority, funding, process for moving forward and developing consistent plans. Expected kickoff is October 2025.
 - Dr. Andrew Klein Any other discussions on other access to campus by pedestrians and PEV's?
 - Ms. Debbie Albert It's on everyone's mind. Yes, there are a lot of areas to focus
 on. The City of College Station has placed buffers/barriers on bike lanes. They have
 also applied and been awarded funding for additional enhancements and
 improvements.
- 4. Community Construction Projects Update: Ms. Debbie Albert (Power Point)
 - FM 2818 Project is completed
 - SH 6 Central BCS Expansion Construction is set to begin December 2025 and expected to continue 4-5 years. Construction company has been given many incentives to keep them on schedule. Lanes will be widened to six lanes, three in each direction, with two lanes flowing throughout the project.
 - Video on general overview of the project: WATCH HERE
 - Bush/Wellborn The letting date has been moved to July 2027. Construction start is to be determined.
 - Dr. Angie Hill Price The cost is rising from the original, will they still be able to do it?
 - Ms. Debbie Albert Yes

Big change in the renderings – a bridge across George Bush Drive moved to the railroad track (at level).

- o Dr. Angie Hill Price Is the plan to still shut down and do it all at once?
- Ms. Debbie Albert Will do as much as possible outside of the road footprint then shut down. Details are challenging.
- FM 158 William Joel Bryan Area is open. The remaining work is some signals, sidewalk connectivity, and landscaping.
 - o Mr. Jim Kovar The yield at the roundabout, both are stopping. I see possible collisions happening.
 - o Ms. Debbie Albert It sounds like they need to do some education on this.
- South College Improvements This project is near completion. The Carson roundabout should be done by Thanksgiving.
- Lincoln Ave. Rehabilitation Project Phase 1 is nearing completion and should be open in October. Phase 2 evaluating traffic control. Anticipated completion in early January 2026.
- Holleman Drive/Jones Butler Road Some lane restrictions. Expected completion early 2026.

Other Comments:

Dr. Robert Carpenter – Hi everyone, have you all discussed the increased need for Transportation Services at HSC (RELLIS)?

o Ms. Debbie Lollar – I appreciate your question. We will coordinate a meeting to understand more about that. (Pending)

Adjourned: 1:10 PM