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Which agenda item do you wish to address?

IMPROVEMENTS OF OLD RICHMOND RD,
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Name: Peter McElwain ^{District} Architect/Planner Date: July 22 2013

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Please provide the name, address and phone number of any group or organization you represent, if applicable:

Which agenda item do you wish to address?

Mobility Improvements within Precinct 3 (K.I.S.D. Bandanres)

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Signature: Peter McElwain

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TO: Fort Bend County Commissioners Court
FROM: Peter McElwain, District Architect/Planner
DATE: July 22, 2013

JUDGE HEBERT, COMMISSIONERS, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PETER McELWAIN AND I AM THE DISTRICT ARCHITECT/PLANNER FOR KATY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT. I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF MUCH NEEDED MOBILITY PROJECTS WITHIN THE NORTHERN KATY ISD SECTOR OF FORT BEND COUNTY PRECINCT 3. I HAVE BROUGHT TODAY, SIX ADDITIONAL COPIES OF A LETTER FROM OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT, ALTON FRAILEY, DATED JUNE 6, 2013, IDENTIFYING RECOMMENDED AND MUCH NEEDED ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. THIS LIST WAS CONFIRMED BY OUR DEMOGRAPHERS, LOCAL PLANNERS, THE KATY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND THE KATY AREA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

I HAVE WORKED AND LIVED IN FORT BEND COUNTY FOR SIXTEEN YEARS AND HAVE BEEN, WITH THE GOAL OF SAFE AND EFFICIENT MOBILITY FOR OUR COMMUNITY, A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR IMPROVED MOBILITY AS OUR COMMUNITY CONTINUES TO GROW AT A TREMENDOUS RATE. THE NORTHERN SECTOR OF PRECINCT 3 WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF KATY ISD CONTINUES TO BE RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING RESIDENTIAL AREAS IN THE NATION. APPROXIMATELY 14,000 ADDITIONAL NEW HOMES ARE PROJECTED IN THIS AREA IN THE NEXT TEN YEARS. THIS EQUATES TO APPROXIMATELY 9 NEW SCHOOLS (5 ELEM, 2 JH, 2 HS) ADDED TO THE 15 SCHOOLS (9 ELEM, 4 JH, 2 HS) IN THIS FORT BEND COUNTY SECTOR OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. SEVERAL LARGE MASTER PLANNED COMMUNITIES CONTINUE TO BE DEVELOPED ALONG THE FM 1463, SPRING GREEN BLVD, AND GASTON ROAD NORTH/SOUTH CORRIDORS INCLUDING: CROSS CREEK RANCH, CINCO RANCH S/W, CHURCHILL FARMS, CARDIFF RANCH, CINCO RANCH N/W, FIRETHORNE, WOODCREEK RESERVE, THE RESERVE AT KATY, AVALON AT SPRING GREEN, AVALON AT PINE MILL, SILVER RANCH, HAWKS LANDING, PINE MILL RANCH, WESTLAKE, AND MARSHALL OAKS. ADD TO THIS THE PROJECTION THAT, ONCE THE GRAND PARKWAY SEGMENT E CONNECTION TO HWY 290 COMPLETES LATER THIS YEAR, MORE FAMILIIES WILL CHOOSE TO LIVE IN THE KATY AREA AND COMMUTE TO WORK LOCATIONS TO THE NORTHWEST AND NORTH OF HOUSTON. UNLESS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS ARE UNDERTAKEN AT THIS TIME TO KEEP PACE WITH THE GROWTH, SEVERE CONSEQUENCES MAY RESULT ASSOCIATED WITH SAFE AND EFFICIENT MOBILITY. IN THIS REGARD, I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE COMMISSIONERS COURT TO CAREFULLY STUDY OUR AREA WITHIN PRECINCT 3 AND ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF MOBILITY BOND FUNDS TO ACCOMMODATE THE GROWTH.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF FORT BEND COUNTY ENGINEERING IN THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD WIDENING AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS INCLUDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS AND SIDEWALKS IN OUR AREA IN RESPONSE TO THE TREMENDOUS GROWTH.

PLEASE ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE PERCENTAGE OF BOND FUNDS TO OUR AREA BASED UPON OUR RECOGNIZED PROJECTED GROWTH.

THANK YOU FOR OFFERING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE INPUT.



Alton L. Frailey
SUPERINTENDENT

June 6, 2013

Commissioner Andy Meyers
Fort Bend County Precinct 3
22333 Grand Corner Drive
Katy, TX 77494

Re: 2013 Fort Bend County Mobility Bond

Dear Commissioner Meyers:

I was very pleased to hear Judge Hebert indicate during his presentation at the recent Fort Bend Infrastructure Summit that Fort Bend County is in the process of planning for a November 2013 mobility bond election. He also indicated that due to the compressed planning interval, the County would appreciate receiving any mobility improvement suggestions as quickly as possible. In this regard, I would like to propose specific projects which we feel would greatly improve mobility within Fort Bend County areas of our School District, and which are currently recognized as some of the fastest growing residential communities in the nation. Safe and efficient mobility for our community is a top priority.

The following projects represent important mobility needs within our community.

1. COMPLETE 4-LANE CURB AND GUTTER EXPANSION OF ~~KATY~~ GASTON ROAD FROM GREENBUSCH ROAD TO KATY FLEWELLEN ROAD AND CONNECTING TO SOUTH FIRETHORNE ROAD.
2. COMPLETE ANY REQUIRED LINKAGES IN SPRING GREEN BLVD TO ENSURE A RAPID COMPLETION AND OPENING OF SPRING GREEN BLVD FROM FM 1093 TO FM 1463. This is a major north/south thoroughfare for the community.
3. EXPAND GREENBUSCH ROAD FROM 2-LANE TO 4-LANE FROM ~~KATY~~ GASTON ROAD TO WESTHEIMER PKWY IN RESPONSE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF WESTLAKE AND MARSHALL OAKS. Traffic on this road is expected to increase greatly.
4. WORK WITH TXDOT TO ENCOURAGE, AND PARTNER IF NECESSARY, TO UNDERTAKE ROAD WIDENING IMPROVEMENTS TO FM 1463 BETWEEN SPRING GREEN BLVD AND I-10 AND BETWEEN FM 1093 AND THE CINCO TRACE/ROESNER ROAD INTERSECTION. This would include traffic signals at major intersections.
5. COMPLETION OF A MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONNECTION FROM SOUTH FIRETHORNE ROAD WITHIN THE FIRETHORNE DEVELOPMENT NORTH TO CONNECT TO A RECOMMENDED EXPANSION OF KINGSLAND BLVD FROM WILLOW CREEK FARMS TO FM 1463.
6. COMPLETION OF CANE ISLAND PKWY CONNECTION FROM I-10 TO KINGSLAND BLVD EXTENSION.

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7. COMPLETION OF EXPANSION OF ROESNER ROAD FROM ~~KATY~~ GASTON ROAD TO WESTHEIMER PKWY CONSISTENT WITH THE MAJOR THOROUGHFARE PLAN AND THE WIDENING OF ROESNER ROAD FROM WESTHEIMER PKWY TO KATY GAP ROAD.
8. WORK AND PARTNER WITH TXDOT AND CITY OF FULSHEAR TO ACCELERATE THE COMPLETION OF THE WESTPARK TOLLWAY EXPANSION FROM HWY 99 TO FM 1463 WITH ROAD IMPROVEMENTS EXTENDED TO FM 359 IN FULSHEAR. This thoroughfare is currently extremely overloaded especially at peak times and poses serious mobility concerns. This includes improvements to Gaston Road as it connects to FM 1093/future Westpark Tollway.
9. THROUGH THE COOPERATION OF FORT BEND COUNTY AND DEVELOPERS, THE CONSTRUCTION OF FULSHEAR PARKWAY FROM FM 1093 TO I-10 AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE. An alternate exit to the west from the Firethorne and Cross Creek Ranch developments is required to mitigate the traffic load on FM 1463.
10. AS TRAFFIC CONTINUES TO INCREASE, A BUDGET TO FUND SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS IS RECOMMENDED, AS WELL AS FUNDING TO PROVIDE FOR SIDEWALK DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPORT PEDESTRIAN NEEDS.

The above identified projects, if completed, will greatly improve mobility within our community and help us keep pace with the tremendous residential growth which we are experiencing. Since this bond election, if approved, needs to provide funding for several years until the next election, it is vitally important that funds be made available now to support the tremendous continual residential and commercial growth in this area.

Should you wish any further clarification related to the listed projects, please do not hesitate in contacting Peter McElwain, District Architect/Planner at 281-396-2307.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide input.

Sincerely,


Alton Frailey
Superintendent

cc: Honorable Judge Robert Hebert
Richard Stolleis, County Engineer
Lance LaCour, President/CEO Katy Area Economic Development Council
Ann Hodge, president/CEO Katy Area Chamber of Commerce

Projected New Housing Occupancies

September 2012 to October 2022



