



# City of San Antonio

## Streets & Sidewalks Committee – 1/9/07

### 2007-2012 Bond Program

#### *Committee Comments/Questions*

- The Wurzbach #1703 leverage dollar information reads “TBD”, to be determined. Will there be enough funds to cover this project? Is this project only west of Hwy 281?
  - The Alamo Regional Mobility Authority is the owner of the Wurzbach project. The city has spent money in the past acquiring “right-of-way” rights. This is a project we need to fix today, but the only way we can carve out something meaningful is to allocate \$15M to be used for anything as an improvement in that project. We are allocating \$15M to a \$120M project. The project is the whole length of Wurzbach, or east and west of Hwy 281.
  
- There are projects on the Priority List and not on the Recommended Street and Sidewalks Project List. Why? Specifically Prue Road and Hausman Road? Also, are the numbers on the current Recommended Streets and Sidewalks Project List Level II estimates?
  - The biggest challenge in that area is DeZavala Road. DeZavala Road is a priority because it is a major arterial leading toward IH10 and Loop 1604. The Road carries approximately 35-40 thousand vehicles per day. The DeZavala Road project is heavily warranted and motorists will experience the most benefit if improvements are made to DeZavala Road rather than the Prue or Hausman Road. There is a Metropolitan Planning Organization project that replaces Prue Road from Huebner to the end of Prue Road near the San Antonio Police Substation. The project figures on the Recommended Streets and Sidewalks Project List are Level II cost estimates, so I can go into great detail on these projects. However, the project figures on the Prioritized List are Level I cost estimates that would need to be brought up to Level II to discuss in more detail. We can have the Prue Road and Hausman Road projects increased to a Level II estimate for the next meeting, Wednesday, January 16, 2007.
  
- The Marbach Road project extends from Military to Loop 410. Does it cover all of Marbach Road including in front of John Jay High School, or from Rawhide to Loop 410? If not, can we eliminate or modify the Reed project to improve all of Marbach Road?
  - No, John Jay High School will not be affected by this project. In order for this to be successful, all things must work in our favor. The problem with Marbach Road is the drainage pathway for other roads needs a significant box culvert structure down in the storm sewer system. It is also a public safety issue because Fire and Police sometimes cannot go down that road. Staff will review the option to modify or eliminate the Reed project, as requested, and cost out extending the improvements to Marbach Road.
  
- Currently New Callaghan Road wraps around the on ramp or the “S” curve and is dangerous. Does the current funding include the re-routing and straightening of the “S” curve?
  - No it does not. The “S” curve will still have to be dealt with due to the need for design speed.
  
- Where is the start and end points for the Fredericksburg Road project? Does this project include a portion of Cypress Street?
  - The starting point is the City Employees Credit Union just north of the Commerce Street Bridge. The ending point is the Via Mobility Center. This project does not include Cypress Street.
  
- How much additional revenue is needed to include bicycle paths in all Recommended Streets and Sidewalks Projects? What is the cost per mile for bicycle lanes?
  - The funding necessary to implement bicycle paths is included in the majority of projects on the recommended list. Staff can provide the cost per mile at the next meeting.

- This Bond Program was not intended for neighborhoods, and I'm upset. However, I am pleased to learn about the 5-Year Rolling Infrastructure Plan. There is too much money designated to improve old bridges. These bridges may not be highly troubled and some of this money should go to needed streets and sidewalk improvements.
- What is the criteria for deciding whether a project is a city-wide project or an individual council district project?
  - You must look at the deployment of the project. If it covers more than one district or has a wide regional coverage and impact, it is considered a city-wide project. An example would include the downtown or medical center projects.
- Regarding the redirection to project #1685, Bridge Replacement to increase a street project, was this redirection because of an increase in TXDOT funding?
  - No. Staff wanted to provide additional funding to complete the Octavia project.
- Why is the Medina Base Road Project not considered in phases?
  - Staff will provide the cost of phasing the project at a Level II estimate at the next meeting.
- There are two projects for Fredericksburg Road. One project, #1700, is on the recommended list and the other project, #1658, is on the prioritized list. What is the difference between these projects? Is project #1700 just for traffic lights? What would project #1658 entail, or can you discuss the details of this project?
  - Yes. Project #1700 only addressed traffic lights. The majority of Fredericksburg Road is a state road with state-wide significance. There are standards necessary to fix this road and may be fixed more efficiently by utilizing TXDOT funding. We just did not have enough funding for the \$35 million. A combination of VIA and signal timing is projected to reduce traffic flow by re-routing buses.
- Children are walking in the streets on Santa Monica. Sidewalks are needed.
  - Staff will cost out the scope of adding sidewalks and provide you this information at the next meeting.
- May we have a sidewalk cost estimate for Old Pearsall Road?
  - Staff will cost out the scope of adding sidewalks and provide you this information at the next meeting.
- What is the status of the website suggestion box?
  - Peter Zanoni responded that there have been a few suggestions. Staff will provide the info to all members at the next meeting after analyzing it to see if it is possible to include in the Bond Program.
- Currently, is work being done on St. Cloud? What are the specifics of the project?
  - Staff will provide this information at the next meeting.