



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



STATE HIGHWAY (SH) 78 (GARLAND RD/EAST GRAND AVE) AT GASTON AVENUE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS
CSJ 0009-02-067

Public Meeting (Open House) - 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Dallas Arboretum – Rosine Hall
8525 Garland Road, Dallas, Texas

January 18, 2018



The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.



The objective of this meeting is to present in-progress project information, provide an update from previously conducted public outreach efforts, and receive public comment on the *SH 78 (Garland Road/East Grand Avenue) at Gaston Avenue Intersection Improvement Project.*

WE WELCOME AND VALUE YOUR INPUT.

Project Location Map





Limits: Intersection of SH 78 (Garland Road/East Grand Avenue) at Gaston Avenue

Length: Approximately 1.2 miles

Proposed Improvements:

- Reconfigure a busy intersection
- Widen the existing bridges
- Adding bicycle and pedestrian accommodations



Project Needs

- Improve pedestrian safety
- Improve traffic operations
- Address current and projected traffic demands
- Address facility deficiencies
- Improve incident management and emergency response

Project Goals

- Improve mobility
- Minimize potential right-of-way impacts
- Minimize potential environmental impacts
- Enhance corridor aesthetics



Project Background

- August 2015
 - State Representatives Eric Johnson & Kenneth Sheets requested TxDOT to conduct a feasibility study for SH 78 @ Gaston Avenue
 - Focus on permanent improvements, including sidewalks and bicycle/pedestrian accommodations



Stakeholder Meeting

- May 16, 2016 – Samuell Grand Recreational Center
 - Requested stakeholder input on project study
 - Group Work Sessions used to determine stakeholder concerns, ideas, and suggestions for intersection improvements

Meetings with Affected Property Owners (MAPO)/ Stakeholder Meetings

- September 7, 2016 – Mount Auburn Elementary School
 - Presented potential project concept alternatives (6) to solicit public comments, including No-Build/”Do Nothing” alternative
 - Comments received were taken into consideration in selection of a preferred alternative to be presented in the fall/winter of 2016
- December 12, 2016 – Mount Auburn Elementary School
 - Present the selected alternative and solicit comments
 - Comments received were considered as TxDOT moves forward to the schematic phase of the project



Public Involvement Efforts – Build Alternatives



Option 1: 4-Leg, Modified T



Option 4: Reverse T
(Grand to Garland bypass lane)



Option 2: Reverse T
(Grand Avenue intersects Gaston/Garland)



Option 3: Roundabout

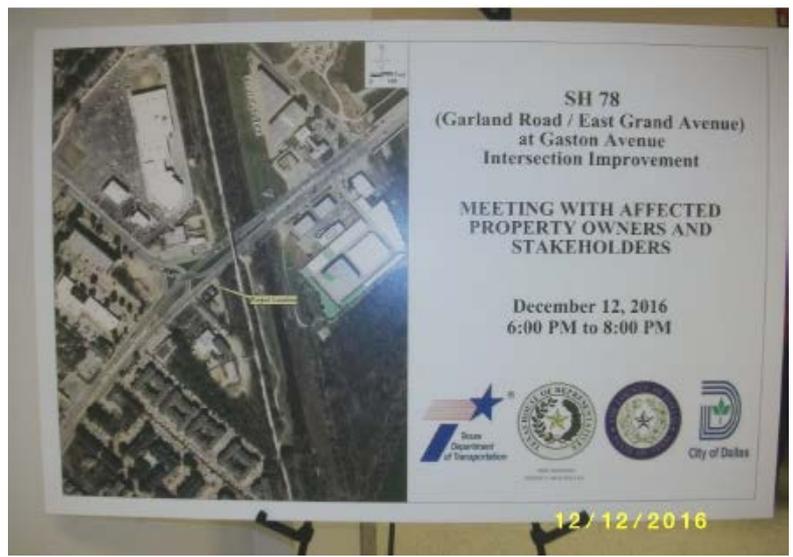


Option 5: Reverse T
(Grand to Garland free right turn)

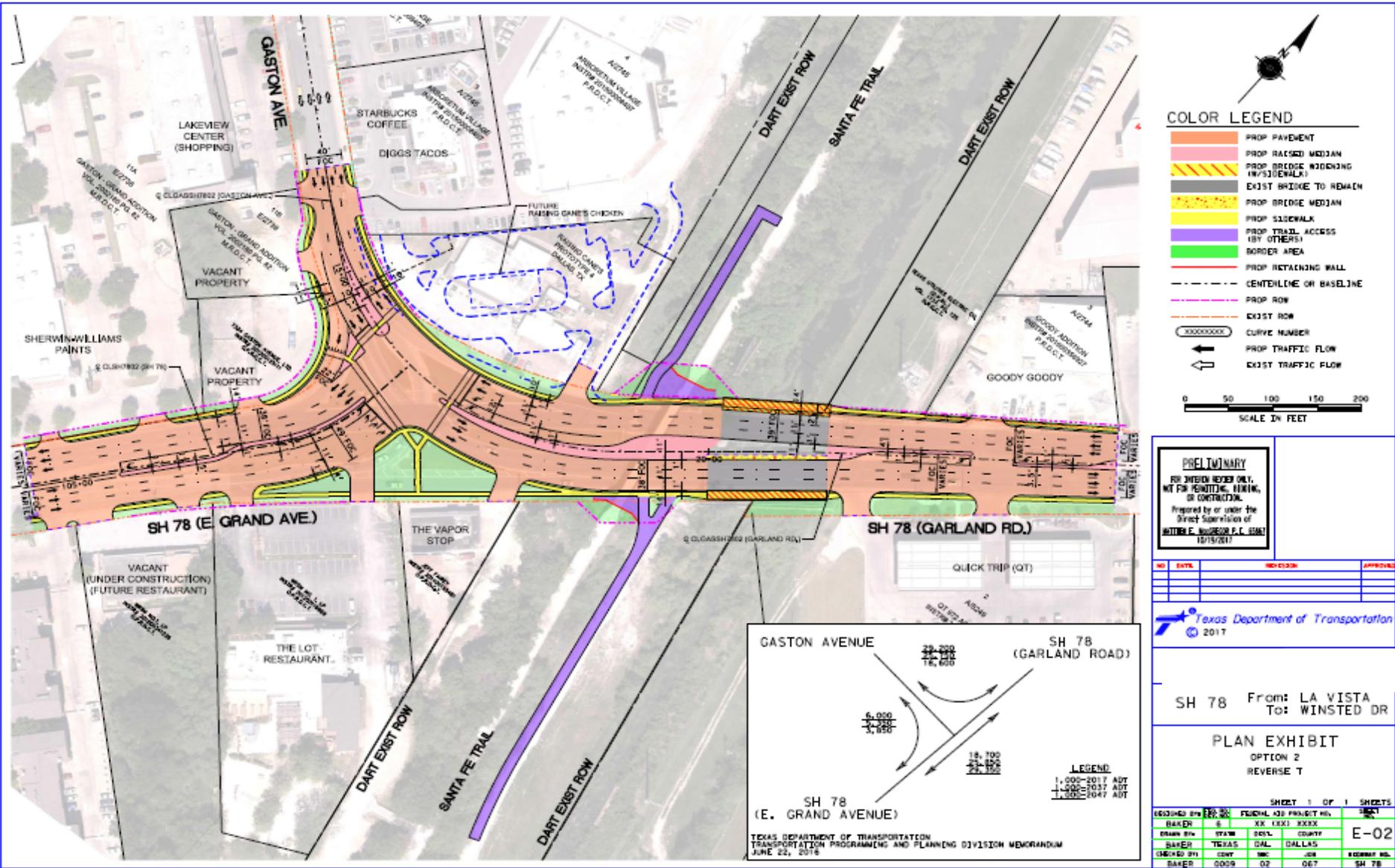


Build Alternative Moving Forward (Option 2)

- Based on verbal/written comments during December 12, 2016, MAPO/Stakeholder meeting, Option 2 moved forward for further evaluation/refinement
- Conceptual (line-type) drawing for Option 2 (see next side and presented on the schematic tables) for your review/comment
- TxDOT will consider comments received tonight as the project moves forward with schematic phase of project



Option 2: Reverse T Grand Avenue intersects Gaston/Garland



COLOR LEGEND

- PROP PAVEMENT
- PROP RAISED MEDIAN
- PROP BRIDGE WIDENING (W/SIDEWALK)
- EXIST BRIDGE TO REMAIN
- PROP BRIDGE MEDIAN
- PROP SIDEWALK
- PROP TRAIL ACCESS
- BORDER AREA
- PROP RETAINING WALL
- CENTERLINE OR BASELINE
- PROP ROW
- EXIST ROW
- CURVE NUMBER
- PROP TRAFFIC FLOW
- EXIST TRAFFIC FLOW

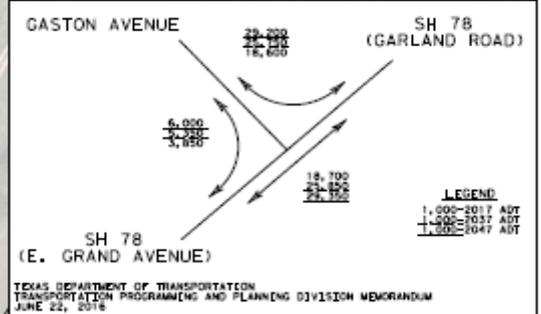
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Stakeholder/
MAPO
Meetings
(2016)

Public
Meeting
**(WE ARE
HERE)**

Schematic
Approved
(Anticipated
May 2018)

Public
Hearing
(Summer
2018)

Anticipated
Environmental
Clearance
(December
2018)

ROW
Acquisition
Anticipated to
Begin
(January
2019)

Begin
Construction
(Summer
2021)



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