





### MEDICAL DISTRICT DRIVE: Partnering and Innovation Delivers a Better Project

**Presentation to** 

SAME 23<sup>rd</sup> Infrastructure Forum

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# Project Location & Context

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### Trinity Strand Trail

DALLAS

COUNTY TRAIL SYSTEM

#### This map has been prepared courtesy of **VIRGINIA COOK**, **REALTORS**.



### DALLAS



Located in Dallas' popular Design District, this 2.5-mile trail follows what was once the original course of the Trinity River and provides people with an opportunity to exercise and to travel to nearby restaurants, corporate office buildings, and major hotels without the need of a car. Attractively designed, the trail features numerous trailheads and views of the Dallas skyline. Made possible by private contributions of land, time, and money and by funding from the City of Dallas, plans are already underway to further extend the trail into Dallas' Medical District, to have the trail connect with the Katy Trail, and to add a companion soft surface trail.

This map is for informational purposes and only represents the approximate relative locations of the labeled features. This map was published in January 2016.

# Project Need & Purpose

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× Two Lanes in Each Direction (Failing LOS in 2045)
 × No Bicycle/Pedestrian Accommodations



 × Unsatisfactory Roadway Geometrics for Major Collector (e.g., horizontal curves)
 × Existing Trees in Median



× Within the FEMA 100-yr Flood Plain – Historic flooding in this area



× Inadequate vertical clearance at TRE bridge

## Purpose and Scope

- ✓ Maintain safe, reliable and efficient mobility for all travel modes
- ✓ Meet current roadway classification design guidelines with AASHTO and TMUTCD
- ✓ Raise the street above 100-year flood elevation in compliance with City/FEMA guidelines
- ✓ Raise the DART/TRE bridges to provide safe vertical clearance
- ✓ Provide hike and bike lanes in compliance with TDLR guidelines

# Design Elements

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□Wide sidewalks and separate bike lanes in both directions.

□New traffic signal for Childrens Medical Center main entrance with FO conduit the length of the project.

Upsized storm drainage system.

#### CURRENT COST ESTIMATES & FUNDING SOURCES Project Name: Medical District Drive, MCIP 30228 TxDOT CSJ: 0918-45-884

## Project Actual Costs

- Funding information is from the Sixth Amendment to the Project
   Specific Agreement which is currently awaiting Dallas City
   Council approval.
- Significant cost increases resulted from change in abutment foundation type, dealing with unforeseen utility conflicts, and delay impacts.

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Total Estimated Project Cost	Estimated Cost
Construction (Paving, Drainage, & RR Bridge)	\$18,974,113
DART/TRE R/R Work	\$4,500,000
Utilities (Franchise) Relocation	\$500,000
Design (Paving, Drainage, RR Bridge,	\$2,288,000
Environmental)	\$2,388,000
Dallas County IHPD	\$1,400,000
ROW	\$1,220,113
DWU Design & Construction*	\$706,666
Subtotal	\$28,076,965
TxDOT Costs (Direct State Costs)	\$326,846
TxDOT (Indirect State Cost)	\$1,321,484
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Total Project Funding Source	Committed Amount
City of Dallas	\$1,363,792
City of Dallas Amendment 4	\$500,000
City of Dallas Amendment 5	\$236,000
City of Dallas Amendment 6	\$123,535
City of Dallas DWU *	\$308,530
City of Dallas DWU Additional **	\$189,663
City of Dallas DWU Amendment 5**	\$67,072
City of Dallas DWU Amendment 6**	\$141,401
Dallas County	\$4,662,264
Dallas County Amendment	\$500,000
Dallas County Amendment 6	\$1,346,991
Federal STP-MM (Construction)	\$14,970,000
Federal Congressional Demo (Eng, ROW, Utilities)	\$4,406,490
Federal Amendment	\$1,200,000
TxDOT (Indirect State Cost)	\$1,321,484
TOTAL	\$31,337,222

\* DWU Design & Construction breakdown of Design \$26,320.00, Construction \$381,936.00, and Contingencies \$89,937.00 for a total of \$498,193.00 \*\*Dallas Water Utilities – Funded items by City of Dallas DWU

# Partnering Approach

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### Participating – TRUST, COMMITMENT, SHARED VISION

- Partnering is voluntarily setting up working relationships that assure an environment that facilitates a "team" approach to conducting business and solving problems
- Effectively partnering through the life of the project will:
  - Improve team problem solving and mutual respect
  - Assure open communications and prompt resolution of issues
  - Help avoid unnecessary time "writing letters" and other adversarial pursuits.
  - Provide job satisfaction and pride in accomplishment



Dr. Elba Garcia Dallas County Commissioner District 4



Alberta Blair, P.E. Director of Public Works

### Participating Stakeholders



#### **Agency Partners:**

Dallas County TxDOT/FHWA City of Dallas/DWU NCTCOG DART/TRE

#### **Southwestern Medical District :**

Children's Medical Center (CMC) Parkland Hospital UT Southwestern Medical Center

Other Key Stakeholders: Stemmons Corridor Business Association Texas Tree Foundation Trinity Strand Trail

### **Franchise Utilities**

**Consultant Team / Contractor Team** 

### Formal Arrangements

- Incorporated in Contracts
- Initiated by Workshops
- Convened Regularly
- Independently Evaluated Regularly



### **Commitment and Shared Vision**



### AT DESIGN KICK-OFF



AT CONSTRUCTION KICK-OFF

### Benefits – Some Examples

## children'shealth?



- CMC improved downstream storm trunk, increasing system capacity
- CMC took over/redesigned fronting sidewalk → saving trees, adding plants
- TTF provided expert assistance with tree preservation
- Project revised traffic control to minimize disruption, add movements



### Benefits – Some Examples



- Elimination of Shoofly Bridge saved project over \$1.1 M during design
- TRE contractor responsible for RR
  Safety Training, flagging, and track
  construction
- Project re-graded areas for future track signal and removed bungalow



## Maintaining Rail Services





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-> TRAFFIC FLOW ARROW (EXIST)

#### PHASE 2B:

- 1. TRE CONTRACTOR WILL REMOVE TRACK 2 FROM SERVICE IN COORDINATION WITH CONTRACTOR WORKING ON MEDICAL DISTRICT DRIVE MODD, AFTER SWITCHING RAIL SERVICE TO TRACK 1.
- 2. TRE CONTRACTOR WILL REMOVE RAIL AND BALLAST BETWEEN TRACK 2 STATION 2006-00 TO STATION 2006-00.
- 2006+0D TO STATION 2036+00.
- 3. MDD CONTRACTOR TO REMOVE TRACK 2 BRIDGE ACROSS MDD.

#### PHASE 2C

1.MDD CONTRACTOR TO CONSTRUCT NEW TRACK 2 RENGE ACROSS MOD.ASSOCIATED RETAINING WALLS, AND DMEANKMENT FOR NEW TRACK 2 ALIGNMENT, 2.TRE CONTRACTOR MILL CLUGW UP ITEM 1 AND PLACE BALLST, THE SAND RAL. 3.TRE CONTRACTOR WILL TEST RAIL AND GET TRACK 2 READY FOR SERVICE.



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### Maintaining Rail Services





PHASE 3B

- 1. THE CONTRACTOR WILL BUILD NEW TEMPORARY CROSSOVER FROM TRACK 1 TO NEW TRACK 2.
- 2. THE WILL REMOVE TRACK I FIRON SERVICE IN COORDINATION WITH NOD CONTRACTOR.
- 3. TRE CONTRACTOR WILL REMOVE RAIL AND BALLAST BETWEEN TRACK 1 STATION 100E+00 TO STATION 103E+00.
- 4. MDD CONTRACTOR TO REMOVE TRACK I BRIDGE ACROSS MDD.

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4. BOTH TRACKS I AND 2 ARE IN SERVICE AFTER COMPLETION OF PHASE 2.



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# Challenges & Innovations

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## **Construction Challenges**

- Despite months of coordination with all stakeholders, Oncor power pole project was not communicated with Dallas County
- Immediately required re-design of City of Dallas box culverts behind CMC's purple parking garage
- Further constrained bridge replacement working conditions







### **Construction Webcam**



- Enabled continual oversight of project by County, partners and consultant team
- Helped overcome issues raised during COVID lockdown and periods of severe weather
- Created a permanent visual record of the project.



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### Lessons Learned

□ Pursue and Reinforce Partnerships

Examine Design Constraints

Explore Available Technological Solutions

Identify Ways to Adapt the Design in Construction



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