



June 2, 2017

Paul E. Ridley, Chairman
and Members of the Thoroughfare Committee

Thoroughfare Committee Meeting

**The CPC Thoroughfare Committee will meet
Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 9:15 a.m. at
Dallas City Hall, 5ES**

CPC Thoroughfare Committee Meeting Agenda

1. Approve Prior May 4, 2017 Meeting Minutes
2. Central Business District Streets and Vehicular Circulation Plan Amendment

Lamar Street

Change the operational characteristics of Lamar Street from Elm Street to Young Street from a southbound three-lane roadway and a northbound three-lane roadway in 78-100 feet of right-of-way and 66 feet of pavement to a southbound two-lane roadway and a northbound two-lane roadway in 78-80 feet of right-of-way and 40-60 feet of pavement.

3. Other Matters
4. Adjournment

If you have any questions, please contact me at 214-670-4038.

Tanya Brooks

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Assistant Director - Mobility Planning

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FOR
AGENDA POSTING**

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of Governmental Entities**

"Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.06 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola oculta), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola oculta."

"Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.07 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola a la vista), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola a la vista."

LOCATION: Lamar Street from Elm Street to Young Street**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** 2 & 14**MAPSCO:** 45P**PLANNER:** Kimberly Smith

SUBJECT

An amendment to the City of Dallas Central Business District Streets and Vehicular Circulation Plan to change the operational characteristics of Lamar Street from Elm Street to Young Street from a southbound three-lane roadway and a northbound three-lane roadway in 78-100 feet of right-of-way and 66 feet of pavement to a southbound two-lane roadway and a northbound two-lane roadway in 78-80 feet of right-of-way and 40-60 feet of pavement.

BACKGROUND

The Office of Economic Development has requested a Thoroughfare Plan Amendment to change the operational characteristics of Lamar Street between Elm Street and Young Street. The proposed amendment would match the roadway operation at non-peak hours with two-lanes northbound and two-lanes southbound and parking. Current operation during the peak hours is two-lanes northbound and two-lanes southbound, with peak-hour parking restrictions on both sides of the street.

The scope of the project is to design a sustainable roadway that aligns with the City's Complete Streets Vision to create roadways that accommodate all modes and are comfortable for all users. Unrestricted parking, widened sidewalks, pedestrian lighting, improved accessibility with barrier free ramps, and reduced crossing distances at intersections are all included in the project. Other project elements include the addition of trees, decorative pavement at cross-walks, benches, and bike parking. The sum of these improvements will improve the pedestrian realm.

The Downtown 360 Plan (2011) identified Lamar Street as one of five primary Focus Areas in Downtown where physical and economic improvements have the potential to activate development opportunities. The 360 Plan recommends policy and urban design modifications for the Lamar Corridor that will support walkability, existing development, and attract future growth. Project implementation will occur through a partnership between the City of Dallas and the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

The project is supported by Downtown Dallas, Inc. and other stakeholders in the corridor. El Centro Community College is supportive of the project and the modifications that will be made to improve ADA accessibility. Staff will work with the campus to create a drop-off zone for students.

Lee Engineering conducted a traffic study and concluded that the proposed amendment is feasible. The study concluded that with signal timing modifications, the intersection capacity will operate at acceptable levels of service, D or better, in 2035 with the proposed four-lane configuration.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval to the City of Dallas Central Business District Streets and Vehicular Circulation Plan to change the operational characteristics of Lamar Street from Elm Street to Young Street from a southbound three-lane roadway and a northbound three-lane roadway in 78-100 feet of right-of-way and 66 feet of pavement to a southbound two-lane roadway and a northbound two-lane roadway in 78-80 feet of right-of-way and 40-60 feet of pavement.

CONTACT PERSONS:

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IMPACT OF DEFERRAL:

Delaying this project would delay the construction of this project.

MAP

Attached

FACT SHEET

PROPOSED COUNCIL AGENDA: August 9, 2017

PROJECT: An amendment to the City of Dallas Central Business District Streets and Vehicular Circulation Plan to change the operational characteristics of Lamar Street from Elm Street to Young Street from a southbound three-lane roadway and a northbound three-lane roadway in 78-100 feet of right-of-way and 66 feet of pavement to a southbound two-lane roadway and a northbound two-lane roadway in 78-80 feet of right-of-way and 40-60 feet of pavement.

BACKGROUND:

- Lamar Street currently operates as a two-way roadway with three-lanes southbound and three-lanes northbound and peak-hour parking restrictions on both sides of the street.
- Traffic Volumes – 10/2015 Study counts: 4,950-9,280
- The Lamar Street corridor is listed as one of the five, 2011 Downtown Dallas 360 Plan Focus Areas.
- Bond number: PB06W045, since Oct. 21, 2015. Prior to this date, PB06P871.
- Construction Cost: \$3,851,072
 - Funding breakdown
 - City of Dallas: \$2,351,072
 - NCTCOG: \$1,500,000
- Public Meeting
 - April 13, 2017, from 6-7pm at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
 - Commissioner Jung and Committee Member McGahan attended the meeting.
 - Previous community engagement with stakeholders were led by Downtown Dallas, Inc.
- City Plan Commission Thoroughfare Committee
 - May 4, 2017, held under advisement

Lamar Street

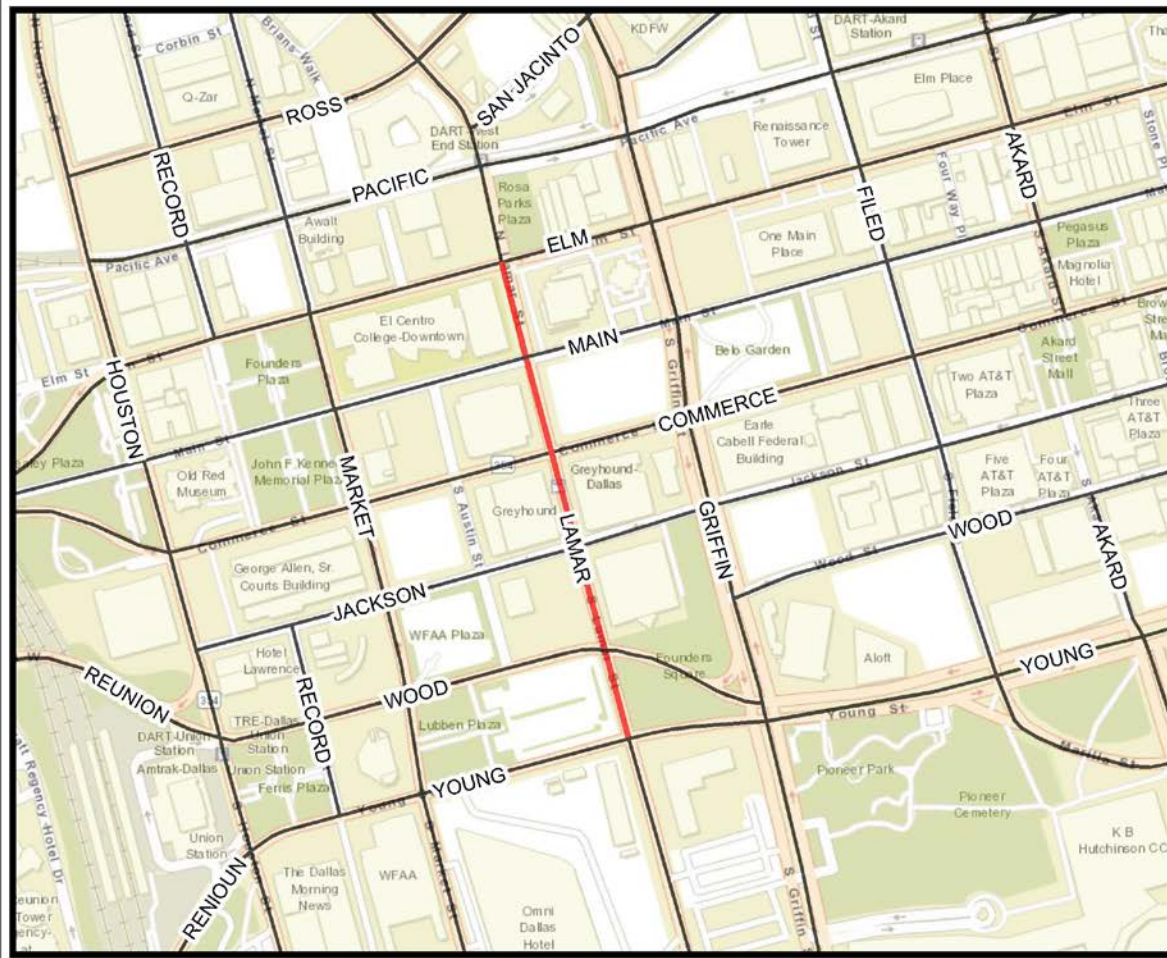
Elm Street to Young Street

Council District: 2 & 14

MAPSCO: 45P



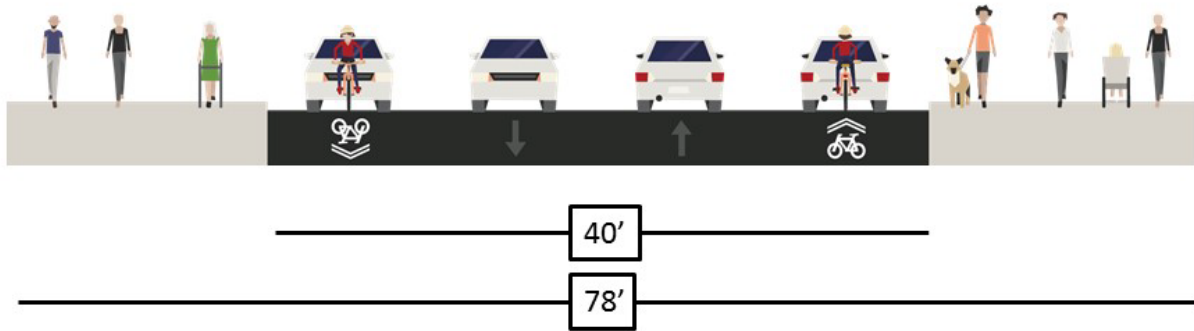
Central Business District Streets and
Vehicular Circulation Plan Amendment Map



Proposed Operations

Lamar Street between Elm Street and Main Street*

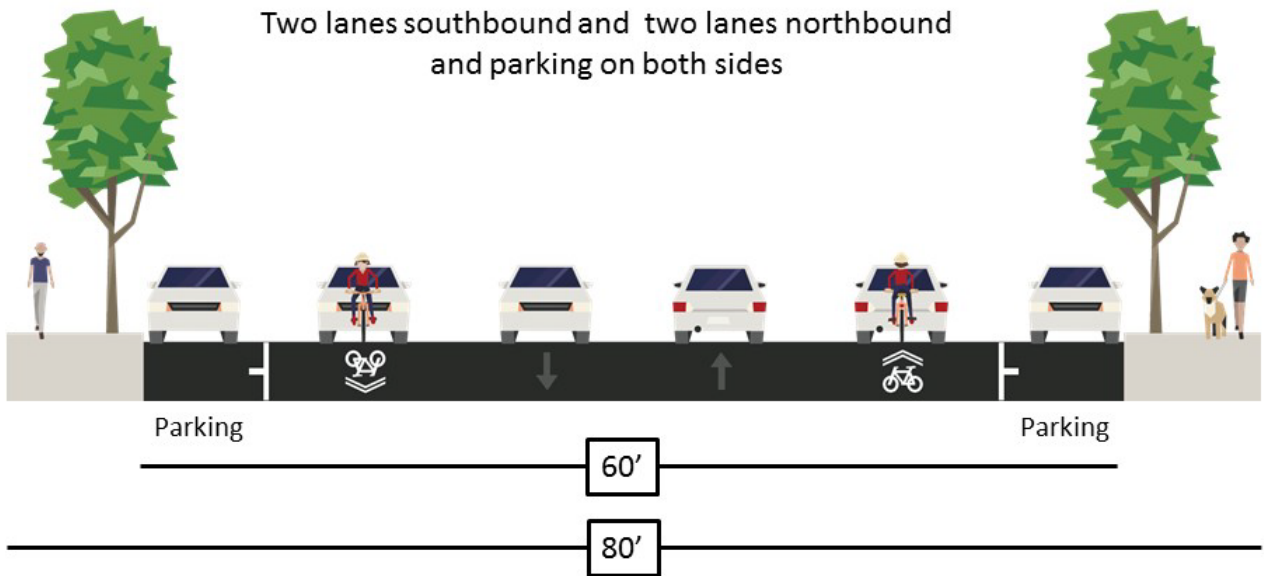
Two lanes southbound and two lanes northbound
and wider sidewalks



* Adjacent to El Centro

Lamar Street between Main Street and Wood Street

Two lanes southbound and two lanes northbound
and parking on both sides



Lamar Street between Wood Street to Young Street

Two lanes southbound and two lanes northbound
and parking on east side

