

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 24, 2021

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **D2 Eastern End Alignment - Zone B Progress Update #4**

## **Background**

On March 24, 2021, the City Council passed a resolution ([CR 21-0535](#)) in support of the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) D2 project. The resolution included a map (copy attached and [linked](#)) that separated the alignment into two zones; Zone A, where the alignment is set with no significant changes, and Zone B, the eastern end of the alignment where discussions with DART, North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), and other stakeholders are continuing. The goal of these continued discussions is to explore potential refinements, enhancements and/or modifications to D2 in Zone B (hereafter referred to as “alternatives”) to address community concerns and optimize the project’s interface with IH-345. This process involves the following key steps:

- Document and discuss key issues
- Develop alternatives based on input from agencies and stakeholders
- Evaluate and compare key factors to enable decision-makers and elected officials to clearly understand the differences in potential impacts, benefits, costs, scope, and schedule
- Develop an agency staff recommendation and a draft interlocal agreement

Section 6 of the resolution contained a provision for elected and appointed officials of the City, DART, NCTCOG, and TxDOT to be briefed on a regular basis to document progress and stakeholder feedback.

## **Progress**

The first progress memorandum to City Council on [April 23, 2021](#), provided information on the creation of a work plan and schedule (Attachment 2). The second progress memorandum to City Council on [May 21, 2021](#), outlined work that had been completed to identify issues, develop the range of Zone B alternatives to be evaluated, and begin drafting the evaluation process and parameters. The third progress memo on [July 30, 2021](#) provided an update on the first level screening of alternatives.

The first public/stakeholder meeting was held on August 5, 2021 ([link](#) to presentation), during which staff from the various agencies presented the results of the first level screening. It was recommended that eight out of the 18 alternatives should be advanced to second level screening.

Fourteen comments or questions were received during the public meeting, and 18 comments were received during the public comment period that followed the meeting from August 5 to August 26, 2021. Numerous comments expressed a preference for a

particular option with the majority supporting Option 3-7a or 3-1a. Several comments expressed opposition to options in Family 1.

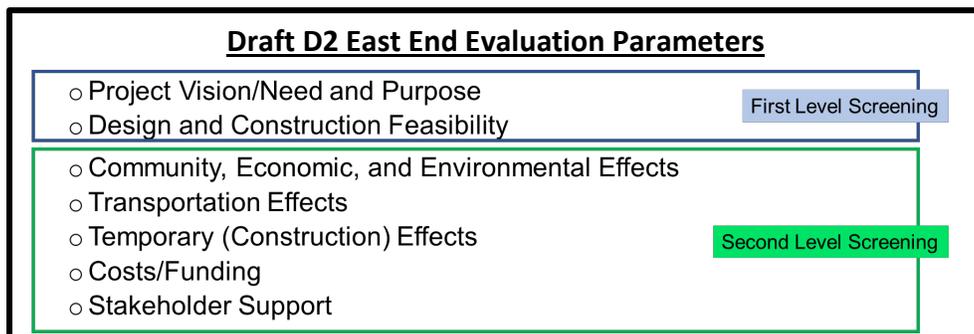
## First Level Screening Results Summary

Alternatives to be advanced to second level screening

8/5/2021 28

### **Next Steps**

A second stakeholder meeting is schedule for [September 29, 2021](#) to present the results of the second level screening of alternatives.



The partner agencies will continue to meet and are committing the necessary resources to guide this process so that any recommended refinements, enhancements, and/or modifications to Zone B are finalized no later than December 2021.

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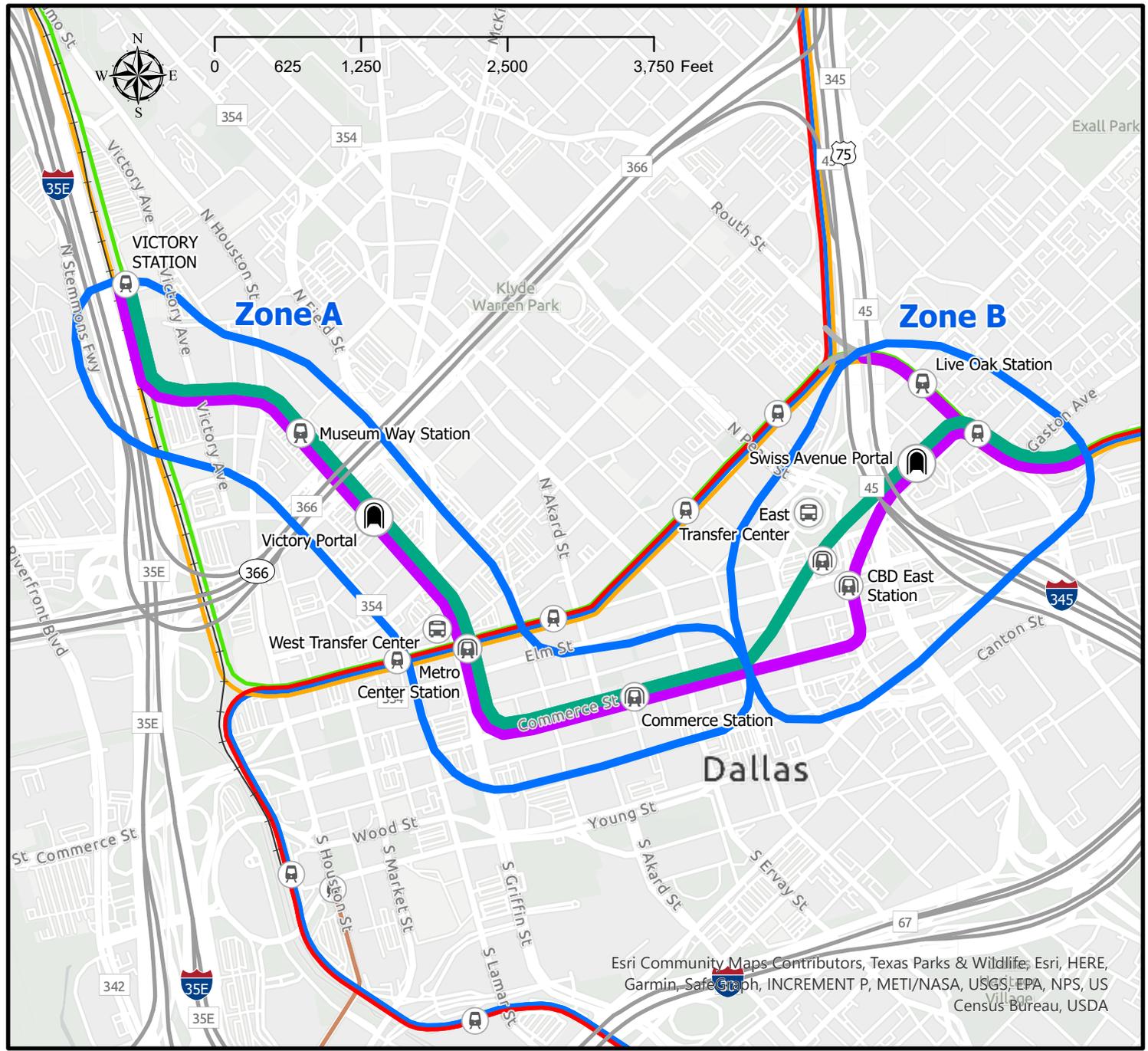
[Attachments]

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Directors and Assistant Directors

# Attachment 1 DART D2 Project Council District 2, 14

- █ Locally Preferred Alternative - City Council Resolution September 2017
  - █ DART's Current Proposed Alternative
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## Attachment 2

### DART D2 East End Evaluation Process Schedule

