Memorandum

DATE September 11, 2015

TO The Honorable Members of the Transportation and Trinity River Project Committee: Lee M. Kleinman (Chair), Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Erik Wilson (Vice Chair), Sandy Greyson, Mayor Pro Tem Monica R. Alonzo, Adam Medrano, and Casey Thomas II

SUBJECT Trinity Parkway and Park Progress Report

On Tuesday, September 15, 2015 you will be briefed on the Trinity Parkway and Park Progress Report. The briefing materials are attached for your review.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Mark McDaniel
Assistant City Manager

Attachment

C: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
   A.C. Gonzalez, City Manager
   Warren M. S. Ernst, City Attorney
   Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor
   Rosa A. Rios, City Secretary
   Daniel F. Solis, Administrative Judge
   Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager

   Eric D. Campbell, Assistant City Manager
   Jill A. Jordan, Assistant City Manager
   Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager
   Jeanne Chipperfield, Chief Financial Officer
   Sana Syed, Public Information Officer
   Elsa Cantu, Assistant to the City Manager – Council Office

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Trinity Parkway & Park Progress Report
Transportation and Trinity River Project Committee
September 15, 2015
Background - Trinity Parkway

- April, 2015 - City Council directed the City Manager to perform a technical review of the Trinity Parkway Design Charrette Report (Charrette)

- Charge - determine if the 20 ideas included in the report can be achieved within the context of current Record of Decisions and approved Environmental Impact Statements

- Technical review requires coordination with local, state and federal partners as well as assistance from local and national professional expertise
In Coordination with the Mayor’s Office, Councilmembers and Various Chambers of Commerce and Neighborhood Associations, Public Meetings held between May and July, 2015

Input Received
- 13 Public Meetings/Forums
- Online Comment Opportunity
- Over 200 Written and Electronic Comment Cards Received
Parkway Technical Committee

- Pre-planning meetings with federal, state and local partners conducted June - August, 2015
- Monthly work sessions and meetings planned through December, 2015

- Team includes City staff and:
  - Federal, state and local partners
    - North Central Texas Council of Governments
    - North Texas Tollway Authority
    - Texas Department of Transportation
    - Federal Highway Administration
    - US Army Corps of Engineers
  - Local and national professionals
Local Professional Expertise

• Brent Brown, [bc], Planning & Urban Design
• Larry Good, Good Fulton Farrell, Planning & Urban Design
• Elissa Hoagland Izmailyan, HR&A, Economic Development
• Keith Manoy, Transportation Planning
• Alex Martinez, Gresham, Smith & Partners, Hydrology
• Luis Salcedo, Salcedo Engineering, Civil Engineering
• Halff & Associates, Hydrology & Roadway Design
• HNTB Engineering, Geotech & Civil Engineering
National Professional Expertise

- John Alschuler, HR&A, Economic Development
- Larry Beasley, Beasley & Associates, Planning & Urban Design
- Zabe Bent, Nelson Nygaard, Mobility Planning
- Tim Dekker, Limnotech, Hydrology
- Alex Krieger, NBBJ, Planning & Urban Design
- Alan Mountjoy, NBBJ, Planning & Urban Design
- Liz Silver, MVVA, Landscape Architecture
- Michael Van Valkenburgh, MVVA, Landscape Architecture
- Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center, Ecology & Landscape Architecture
Advisors to Parkway Technical Committee

- Councilmember Sandy Greyson and Jere Thompson
  - Will receive regular updates/briefings

Parkway Oversight Committee

- City Council Transportation and Trinity River Project (TTRP) Committee Members
  - Will receive interim report in October, with final report anticipated in December
Progressing the Park

- As a result of the Mayor’s fund raising efforts, we have the opportunity to advance planning and design for the Trinity Urban Park

- The Park is a “client” for the Parkway and Floodway - we need to ensure a strong interface

- Park planning, including how the Park interfaces with the Parkway and surrounding neighborhoods, will be privately sponsored by the Trinity Trust Foundation (made possible by contributions from Deedie and Rusty Rose)
Focus of Park Planning

- **Design Team** - we will use the same local and national professional expertise doing work on the Parkway to ensure a fully integrated plan that is compatible with current federal approvals.

- **Focus** - while looking broadly and holistically at the larger Trinity Urban Park from the Great Trinity Forest to the Elm Fork, we will focus in more detail on the area between the two “Margarets.”
Parkway Planning &
Park Planning/Design

Sources of Funding

- Regional Transportation Council (RTC)  up to $1,000,000  (authorized)
- City (Bond Funds)  $160,000  (estimated)
- Private Funding  up to $1,000,000  (available)

Projected Expenditures

- Parkway Planning  $755,000  (estimated)
- Park Public Engagement, Planning & Schematic Design  $1,021,000  (estimated)
Parkway:

Current Planning Schedule

- Monthly - Meetings and Work Sessions of Technical Committee
- October, 2015 - Interim Report Out to Oversight Committee (Council TTRP Committee)
- December, 2015 - Final Report Out to Oversight Committee and Full City Council

Anticipated Next Steps (contingent upon final report and funding)

- Through Winter, 2017 - Parkway Design
- Through Fall, 2018 - Final Approvals and Letting
- Through Winter, 2021 - Construction
Park:

Current Planning Schedule

- Monthly - Meetings and Work Sessions of Project Team
- Fall, 2015 - Pre-Charrette Public Idea Sessions
- Winter, 2016 - Charrette Exercise
- Spring, 2016 - Charrette Design Report Presented to City Council
- Late Winter - Post-Charrette Public Forums

Anticipated Next Steps (contingent upon scope and funding)

- Through Winter, 2016 - Phase I Urban Lakes Construction
- Through Winter, 2016 - Phase I Park Design
- Through Winter, 2017 - Final Approvals and Letting
- Through Fall, 2018 - Park Construction