

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE August 13, 2024

Honorable Members of the City Council Transportation and Infrastructure Committee:
TO Omar Narvaez (Chair), Zarin Gracey (Vice Chair), Tennell Atkins, Cara Mendelsohn,
Jaime Resendez, Janie Schultz, Kathy Stewart

SUBJECT **High-Speed Rail Economic Impact Study Update**

Below is an update on the procurement for a consultant to conduct an economic impact analysis for High Speed Rail. For additional background please see the August 5, 2024 memo to the City Council Economic Development Committee ([24-2341 - Memorandum \(legistar.com\)](#)).

On July 25, 2024, the City advertised a solicitation for firms to submit proposals to perform economic impact analysis for the High Speed Rail project. The due date for the proposals is August 30, 2024, with anticipated City Council action in October.

In the solicitation, the City provided an option to include economic impacts to the region and to the Cities of Arlington and Fort Worth. Both cities have confirmed interest in participating in the study during the procurement process. To avoid delays to Dallas' study, staff will proceed with the selection of a consultant and handle inclusion of Fort Worth and Arlington through supplemental agreement(s) once the Dallas work is under contract.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ghassan "Gus" Khankarli, P.E., PMP, CLTD, Director of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, Kevin Spath, Director (I) of Economic Development, or me.

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