Memorandum

DATE August 5, 2022

^{TO} Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT Unimproved Alley Cleanup and Trail Conversion Pilot Program Update

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update to the Alley to Trail Conversion Pilot Program.

PROGRAM BACKGROUND

The FY 2022 Budget included \$4.8M in ARPA funds for 1,365 unimproved, non-sanitation alleys to be cleared and cleaned by the Department of Public Works. This one-time cleanup effort was completed on April 30, 2022.

An additional \$4M in ARPA funds were purposed towards converting a select few alleys into internal neighborhood trails. Of the 1,365 unimproved alleys included in the one-time clean-up effort, 33 alleys were found to be potential candidates for further consideration in the Alley to Trail Conversion Pilot Program by meeting certain qualifying criteria (for more details, please reference the February 22, 2022, briefing to the Transportation and Infrastructure Council Committee).

PROGRAM UPDATES

- Of the alleys, 35 alleys were selected for further improvement considerations, 15 alley segments were deemed feasible and necessary approvals gained in order to be moved into trail conversion construction.
- There are eight alley segments located in historic districts requiring further approvals from the Landmark Commission and are currently pending consideration and approval in order to move forward; these locations are identified below.
- Preliminary construction work has begun for all 15 approved alleys to include:
 - ✓ Surveys have been completed on 8 alleys.
 - ✓ Foundation footings for light poles will be completed on 5 alleys in the coming week, light poles have been ordered for all alleys.
 - ✓ Design work to develop plans for these segments is in progress.
 - ✓ Grading of 8 alleys has been completed with the remaining alleys queued following survey completion.
 - ✓ Further approvals are pending Landmark Commission review: Certificates of Appropriateness Applications for eight alley segments located in historic districts have been submitted and will be on the September 6, 2022 docket for consideration.



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PROGRAM CHALLENGES

- Update on availability of necessary resources Please note that supply chain issues have hampered our ability to obtain decomposed granite and associated supplies; therefore, the plan has been revised to replace decomposed granite with the installation of 5-foot-wide sidewalks flanked by flex base for wheel paths on each side for emergency and utility vehicles.
- Currently, there are shortages in concrete provisions in the metroplex due to certain unforeseen damages to an area plant.

The following tables breakdown the alley conversion projects per approvals, pending Landmark Commission consideration and approval, or disqualifications:

| COUNCIL DISTRICT | ALLEY NAME | PROJECT BOUNDARIES |
|---------------------|---------------|---|
| 1 | A1756 | Alley between W. Brooklyn Ave. and W. Pembroke Ave from S. Van Buren Ave to S. Llewellyn Ave. |
| 1 | A1759 | Alley between W. Page Ave. and Brooklyn Ave. from S. Van Buren Ave. and S. Llewellyn Ave. |
| 2 | A732 | Alley between Parkview Ave. and Grandview Ave. from Lindsley Ave. to Ash Lane |
| 2 | A750 | Alley between Grandview Avenue to Parkview Ave. from Lindsley Ave. to Gurley Ave. |
| 2 | A00757 | T-Alley between Grandview Ave. to Parkview Ave. from Gurley Ave. to A00758 |
| 2 | A00758 | T-Alley between Grandview Ave. to Parkview Ave. from Grandview Ave. to A00757. |
| 2 | A00758 | T-Alley between Grandview Ave. to Parkview Ave. from Parkview Ave. to A00757. |
| 7 | A1229 | Alley between Cleveland St. and Gould St. from South Blvd. to Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. |
| 7 | A1282 | Alley between Pennsylvania Ave. and Birmingham Ave. from Meyers St. to Jefferies St. |
| 7 | A1283 | Alley between Pennsylvania Ave. and Birmingham Ave. from S. Malcolm X Blvd. to Jeffries St. |
| 7 | A1287 | Alley between Birmingham Ave. to Warren Ave. from Atlanta St. to Latimer St. |
| 7 | A1296 | Alley between Peabody Ave. and Pennsylvania Ave. from Atlanta St. to Myrtle St. |
| 7 | A1301 | Alley between Peabody Ave. and Pennsylvania Ave. from Latimer St. and Edgewood St. |
| 7 | A1308 | Alley between Latimer St. and Pondrom St. from Lenway St. to Cooper St. |
| 7 | A1309 | Alley between Latimer St. and Pondrom St. from Warren Ave. to Lenway St. |

(15) Approved Alleys

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ALLEY **PROJECT BOUNDARIES** COUNCIL DISTRICT NAME A1264 Alley between Al Lipscomb Way and Park Row Ave from S. Malcolm X Blvd. to 7 Myrtle St. 7 A1264 Alley between AI Lipscomb Way and Park Row Ave from Myrtle St. to Atlanta St. 7 Alley between South Blvd. and Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd. from S. Malcolm X A1266 Blvd. to Myrtle St. 7 A1266 Alley between South Blvd. and Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd. from Myrtle St. to Atlanta St. 7 A1280 Alley between Birmingham Ave and Warren Ave. from Jeffries St. to Meyers St. 14 A812 Alley between Junius St. and Worth St. from N. Beacon St. to N. Fulton St. 14 A882 Alley between N. Beacon St. and Parkmont St. and Gaston Ave. and Junius St. from N. Beacon St. to A883. Alley between Gaston Ave. to Junius St. and Parkmont St. and N. Beacon St. 14 A883 from Junius St. to A882.

(8) Pending Landmark Commission Approval Due to Historic Designations

(12) Alleys Disqualified from the Program Based Upon Resident Denial or Infeasibility

| COUNCIL DISTRICT | ALLEY NAME | PROJECT BOUNDARIES |
|---------------------|---------------|--|
| 3 | A17591 | Alley between Grassy Ridge Trail and Oxbow Ln from Oxbow Ln to Penguin Dr. from Oxbow Ln to Penguin Dr. (A17592) |
| 3 | A17593 | Alley between Grassy Ridge Trail and Stratton Dr. from Oxbow Ln to Penguin Dr. from A17591 to Penguin Dr. |
| 4 | A11228 | Alley between Village Way and Stovall Dr. from Garrison St. to Deer Path Dr. |
| 6 | A11741 | Alley between Conroe St. and Obenchain St. from Morris St. to McBroom St. |
| 6 | A17657 | Alley between Sylvan Ave and Topeka Ave from Morris St. to McBroom St. |
| 7 | A1284 | Alley between Birmingham Ave. and Warren St. from S. Malcolm X Blvd. to Jeffries St. |
| 7 | A1285 | Alley between Birmingham Ave. and Warren St. from Myrtle St. to S. Malcolm X Blvd. |
| 8 | A11308 | Alley between Pinebrook Dr. and Pacesetter Dr. from Hidden Trail to Strawberry Trail |
| 8 | A11530 | Alley between Pinebrook Dr. and Pacesetter Dr. from Strawberry Trail to Bonnie View Rd. |
| 8 | A17833 | Alley between A17833 and 3337 Pacesetter from Pacesetter Dr. to Hidden Trail |
| 10 | A03352 | Alley between 12312 Oberlin Dr. and 12306 Hallum St. from Oberlin Dr. to A3354 (alley behind 12300 block of Oberlin) |
| 13 | A5168 | Alley between Charlestown Dr. and Jamestown Park from Jamestown Rd to Nuestra Dr. |

Should you have any questions, or would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Ali Hatefi, P.E., Director of Public Works.

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