### Memorandum



DATE November 15, 2019

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

### **SUBJECT I-345 Feasibility Study Public Meetings**

The much anticipated I-345 feasibility study is gearing up to receive public comments. As part of the 2016 Dallas CityMAP study, the Texas Department of Transportation explored future construction options for the freeways that comprise the Downtown loop, including I-30, I-345, Lower Stemmons (I-35), and the I-35 Southern Gateway. These construction options were evaluated on their mobility optimization, potential for economic development generation, and engineering feasibility.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is now preceding with the feasibility study for improvements to I-345 from I-30 to Woodall Rodgers Freeway in Dallas County. The purpose of the I-345 feasibility study is to develop and analyze alternatives for I-345. TxDOT will conduct three public meetings to discuss and receive public comments on the feasibility study. All three meetings will present the same information and will be held in an open house format with one formal presentation at 7:00 p.m. The meeting scheduled for the December 5<sup>th</sup> will have three presentation times: 12:00 p.m., 4:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. Representatives from TxDOT and project consultants will be available to answer questions about the feasibility study and process. The meeting dates, times, and locations are listed below.

- Monday, December 2, 2019 from 6:00 pm. to 8:00 p.m. at the St. Philip's School and Community Center at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75215. (Served by DART bus route 002) The presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, December. 3, 2019 from 6:00 pm. to 8:00 p.m. at the CityPlace Conference Center Lakewood Room, First Floor, 2711 N. Haskell Avenue Dallas, Texas 75204. (Served by DART red, blue and orange rail lines to CityPlace/ Uptown Station and bus routes 036, 409, 521) The presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, December. 5, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel Dallas Ballroom, First Floor, 400 N. Olive Street Dallas, Texas 75201. (Served by DART red, blue, green and orange rail lines to the Pearl Street Station and bus routes 024, 036, 084) The presentations will begin at 12 noon, 4:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Attached is detailed information from TxDOT regarding the venue and times for the public meetings. City of Dallas staff from various departments will attend all of the meetings.

### I-345 Feasibility Study Public Meetings

Comments and ideas from the public and stakeholders regarding the future of I-345 will help designers develop alternatives for the corridor.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Rogers, Director of the Department of Transportation, at <a href="mailto:michael.rogers@dallascityhall.com">michael.rogers@dallascityhall.com</a>.

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[Attachment]

c: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager
Chris Caso, City Attorney (Interim)
Mark Swann, City Auditor
Bilierae Johnson, City Secretary
Preston Robinson, Administrative Judge
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Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager

Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager
Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant City Manager and Chief Resilience Officer
Michael Mendoza, Chief of Economic Development and Neighborhood Services
M. Elizabeth Reich, Chief Financial Officer
Laila Alequresh, Chief Innovation Officer
Liz Cedillo-Pereira, Chief of Equity and Inclusion
Directors and Assistant Directors

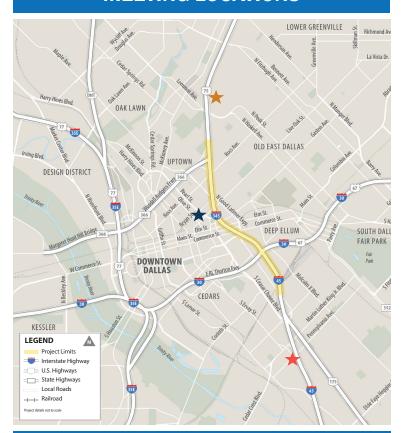


# **Public Meeting Venue Map**



Join TxDOT for a series of public meetings to discuss the future of I-345!

## **MEETING LOCATIONS**



Project Contact: Travis Campbell, P.E. (214) 320-6100

Interstate (I-345)

From I-30 to Woodall Rodgers Freeway (Spur 366) CSJ: 0092-14-094

★ St. Philip's School & Community Center 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Dallas, TX 75215

Monday, Dec. 2nd Presentation Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.



From the North — Take US 75/Central Expressway southbound to Exit 283B/Fair Park/Kaufman/US 175/Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Continue on the frontage road to Pennsylvania Ave. and turn right. Continue on Pennsylvania Ave. and St. Philip's School will be on the left.

From the South — Take I-45/Central Expressway northbound to Exit 283B/ Pennsylvania Ave./Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Continue on the service road to Pennsylvania Ave. Turn left onto Pennsylvania Ave. Continue on Pennsylvania Ave. and St. Philip's School will be on the left.

Served by DART route 002

★ CityPlace Conference Center, Lakewood Room, 1st Floor 2711 N. Haskell Ave., Dallas, TX 75204

**Tuesday, Dec. 3rd Presentation Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.



From the North — Take US 75/Central Expressway southbound to Exit 1B/ Haskell Ave./Blackburn St./Lemmon Ave. Turn left onto Haskell Ave. Take Haskell Ave. to Weldon St. and turn right. The underground parking garage entrance is located to the left. Park in garage C. Take the garage elevator to concourse level C and enter the building through the revolving door. Take the concourse elevator to the ground level.

From the South — Take I-45/US 75/Central Expressway northbound to Exit 1B/ Haskell Ave./Fitzhugh Ave./Blackburn St. Continue on the frontage road to Haskell Ave. and turn right. Take Haskell Ave. to Weldon St. and turn right. The underground parking garage entrance is located to the left. Park in garage C. Take the garage elevator to concourse level C and enter the building through the revolving door. Take the concourse elevator to the ground level.

Served by DART red, blue and orange lines to CityPlace Uptown Station, routes 036, 409, 521
\*Parking validation will be provided for self-parking in the underground garage only.

★ Sheraton Dallas, Dallas Ballroom 400 N. Olive St., Dallas, TX 75201 **Thursday, Dec. 5th** 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Presentation Times:** 12:00 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.



**From the North** — Take US 75/Central Expressway southbound to exit 284B/Live Oak St. Continue on Live Oak St. to Olive St. and turn right. The entrance to the parking garage level will be on the left. The Dallas Ballroom is located on the first floor.

From the South — Take US 75/Central Expressway northbound to Exit 284B/Main St. West/Elm St. Follow the signs to Elm St. Take Elm St. to Pearl St. and turn right. Take Pearl St. to Live Oak St. and turn left onto Live Oak St. Take Live Oak St. to Olive St. and turn right. The entrance to the parking garage level will be on the left. The Dallas Ballroom is located on the first floor.

Served by DART red, blue, green and orange lines to Pearl Street Station, routes 024, 036, 084
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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

Proposed Improvements to Interstate 345 (I-345) from I-30 to Woodall Rodgers Freeway (Spur 366)
Dallas County, Texas
CSJ: 0092-14-094

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is conducting a feasibility study for improvements to I-345 from I-30 to Woodall Rodgers Freeway in Dallas County, a distance of 1.4 miles. TxDOT will conduct three public meetings to discuss and receive public comments on the feasibility study. All three meetings will present the same information and will be held in an open house format with one formal presentation at 7:00 p.m. The meeting scheduled for December 5 will have three presentation times: noon, 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Representatives from TxDOT and project consultants will be available to answer questions about the feasibility study and process. The meeting dates, times, and locations are listed below.

Monday, Dec. 2, 2019

6:00 pm. to 8:00 p.m. Presentation at 7:00 p.m. St. Philip's School and Community Center 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Dallas, Texas 75215 Served by DART bus route 002 Tuesday, Dec. 3, 2019

6:00 pm. to 8:00 p.m.
Presentation at 7:00 p.m.
CityPlace Conference Center
Lakewood Room, First Floor
2711 N. Haskell Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75204
Served by DART red, blue and orange
rail lines to CityPlace/Uptown Station
and bus routes 036, 409, 521

Thursday, Dec. 5, 2019

10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Presentations at noon,
4:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.
Sheraton Dallas Hotel
Dallas Ballroom, First Floor
400 N. Olive Street
Dallas, Texas 75201
Served by DART red, blue, green and orange rail lines to the Pearl Street
Station and bus routes 024, 036,
084

Please note, complimentary parking in the Sheraton Hotel parking garage and the CityPlace Conference Center parking garage C will be provided for meeting attendees. Attendees should bring their parking ticket into the meeting for validation. Validation will be provided for self-parking only.

The purpose of the I-345 feasibility study is to develop and analyze conceptual alternatives for I-345. Attendees will be able to learn about the study process and provide input on the future of I-345.

Maps showing the study location as well as study approach information will be available for viewing at the public meetings. The public meeting notice and venue map will be available online at <a href="https://www.keepitmovingdallas.com">www.keepitmovingdallas.com</a> or under Hearings and Meetings Schedule at <a href="https://www.txdot.gov">www.txdot.gov</a>. This and other public information will be on file and available for public inspection at the TxDOT Dallas District Office located at 4777 East Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150.

All interested persons are invited to attend the public meeting. Written comments from the public are requested and will be accepted for a period of 15 calendar days following the meeting. Written comments may be submitted either in person at the public meetings; by mail to the TxDOT Dallas District Office, ATTN: Mr. Travis Campbell, P.E., TxDOT Project Manager, 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150-6643. Written comments must be postmarked by Friday, December 20, 2019 to be included in the public meeting documentation.

The public meeting will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs, such as the need for an interpreter, are encouraged to contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office at (214) 320-4480. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the meeting. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs. If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the meeting, please contact Mr. Travis Campbell, P.E., at (214) 320-6100.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.