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In HAYS AND TRAVIS COUNTIES, projects have been proposed to realign a section of FM 2001 east of I-35 and extend Main Street from I-35 to SH 45, which includes the construction of an interchange and frontage roads.

Minute Order 110508, dated April 27, 2006, originally tendered a proposal to both the City of Buda (city) and Hays County (county); however, the city did not accept the minute order within the prescribed 90-day period.

The city and the county both have a considerable interest in the development of these projects. This area is becoming increasingly urbanized and is experiencing rapid development. The proposed projects will provide for improved north-south mobility by enhancing use of the SH 45/SH 130 toll roads. In addition, the projects will provide safer and improved access to area developments, and facilitate incident management along I-35.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) that the executive director is authorized to tender the following proposal to the city and the county:

Provided the city and county will:

- A. FM 2001 Realignment and Overpass Road Project
  1. Obtain all required environmental clearance, right of way, utility relocation and construction plans for the FM 2001 realignment from the I-35/Overpass Road interchange to FM 2001 (approximately 1.5 miles);
  2. Provide 100 percent funding for the right of way, construction plans and construction of the realignment of FM 2001 from the existing FM 2001/Overpass Road intersection, south and east to FM 2001 (approximately 1.4 miles);
  3. Provide 100 percent funding for the right of way and construction plans for the I-35/Overpass Road interchange and improvements to Overpass Road from I-35 to the existing FM 2001 (approximately 0.1 mile); and
  4. Agree for the county to accept the abandoned portion of FM 2001.
- B. I-35/Main Street Extension and Interchange Project
  1. Obtain all required environmental clearance, right of way, utility relocation and construction plans for the Main Street Extension project from I-35 to SH 45;
  2. Submit a State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) loan application for up to \$15 million to fund the phased construction of the Main Street Extension project from I-35 to SH 45;
  3. Provide 100 percent funding of the construction plans for the reconstruction of the I-35/Main Street interchange and associated frontage road and ramp improvements;

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4. Provide funding for 10 percent of the right of way and utility relocation for the I-35/Main Street interchange and associated frontage road and ramp improvements; and
5. Consider other financing mechanisms to repay the SIB loan or fund the phased construction of the Main Street Extension from I-35 to SH 45.

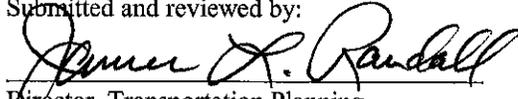
The department will:

1. Add the 1.5 mile realignment of FM 2001 (which includes the 0.1 mile segment of Overpass Road and the 1.4 mile realignment of FM 2001) to the state highway system;
2. Remove existing FM 2001 from I-35 to approximately 2.0 miles east from the state highway system and transfer the right of way to the county;
3. Fund the construction and acquire the right of way for the eastern expansion of the I-35/FM 2001 interchange from I-35 to approximately 0.1 mile east (Overpass Road);
4. Fund 100 percent of the construction and 90 percent of the right of way and utility adjustments for the I-35/Main Street interchange and related frontage road and ramp improvements;
5. Assist the city in the preparation of a SIB loan application;
6. Schedule the construction for both the I-35/Main Street interchange and related frontage road improvements and extension as early as practical; and
7. Upon completion of construction, add the extension of Main Street, from I-35 to SH 45, a distance of approximately 3.0 miles, to the state highway system.

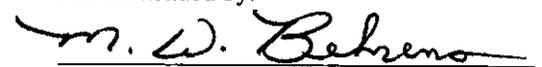
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the commission that the executive director is hereby authorized to enter into any necessary agreements with the city and the county containing the terms consistent with the provisions of this order.

This order shall become operative upon acceptance by the city and the county; and if not accepted within 90 days of the date of this order, the order shall be automatically cancelled.

Submitted and reviewed by:

  
Director, Transportation Planning  
and Programming Division

Recommended by:

  
Executive Director

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