A Balancing Act — Preservation and Progress

I-10 Connect’s Complex Environment
TxDOT must balance growth with community needs. In El Paso, TxDOT planned to reconstruct and improve the connection between I-10 and the Mexican Border. The project was very complex as TxDOT needed to balance shipping needs, increased traffic and local resident concerns, including:

- Removal of the historic Lincoln Center.
- Use of space under bridges for community events.
- Murals and public art.
- Air quality and idling trucks.
- Safety.

You Spoke, We Listened
TxDOT met with hundreds of community leaders and stakeholders to come up with new designs and ways to address their concerns. As a result, large trucks will no longer be able to access the road from the neighborhood. This increases safety and decreases pollution from idling trucks. TxDOT also redesigned the bridges to preserve the Lincoln Center for events. Finally, TxDOT plans to make columns of the new bridge available for more murals and public art.

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