

NOTICE AFFORDING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Arlington in conjunction with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing to extend Center Street over IH 20 in the City of Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas. The project limits extend southward from near Highlander Boulevard to Bardin Road; a total distance of approximately 0.63 mile.

Existing Center Street extends northward from the project termini located approximately 550 feet south of Highlander Boulevard. The roadway is currently a four lane curbed street, divided with a raised median. The existing lanes are approximately 12 feet wide and the center median varies in width from 12 feet to 42 feet. The existing storm water is captured via inlets in a curb and gutter drainage system. The existing right-of-way (ROW) varies from approximately 120 feet to 137 feet.

The proposed project would extend Center Street to the south, over IH 20, and terminate at Bardin Road. The proposed ROW width varies from 120 feet to 148 feet. The improvements would continue the divided four lane curbed section with raised median and include retaining walls on the approaches to the proposed bridge. The proposed structure would be a five span bridge, approximately 600 feet long. The four lane divided roadway would consist of two 11-foot lanes and two outside 14-foot shared use lanes for bicycle traffic. The project also includes a continuous 6-foot sidewalk on the west side and a 10- to 12-foot shared use hike/bike path on the east side. Two minor streets south of IH 20, Stephens Street and Bardin Road, would intersect Center Street.

The proposed project will incorporate approximately 10.9 acres of existing right of way and 1.4 acres of existing easements. Approximately 0.4 acre of additional ROW and 2.7 acres of additional easements would be needed for this project. No relocations or displacements are associated with the proposed project.

The proposed project would include the extension of an existing culvert located south of IH 20 at an unnamed tributary to Fish Creek, resulting in approximately 0.04 acre of permanent impacts to a jurisdictional water of the U.S.

The environmental document and design for the proposed project are available for inspection at:

- TxDOT - Tarrant County Area Office - 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133 – Contact Janet Crawford at (817) 370-6808
- City of Arlington's Public Works & Transportation Department - City Hall – 2nd Floor, 101 West Abram Street, Arlington, Texas 76010 – Contact Bob Watson at (817) 459-6582

Any interested citizen may request a public hearing covering the social, economic, and environmental effects of the proposed location and design for this project. Requests for a public hearing must be submitted in writing on or before July 30, 2013 to Mrs. Maribel P. Chavez, P.E., TxDOT Fort Worth District Engineer, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133. If such a request is received, a public hearing will be scheduled. Adequate notice will be published to announce the date and location of the hearing.

If you have general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project, you may contact Janet Crawford, P.E. at (817) 370-6808 in lieu of requesting a public hearing. If these questions are not answered to your satisfaction, a public hearing should be requested.