

Texas Department of Transportation

Welcome

**FM 2609/EAST AUSTIN STREET
OPEN HOUSE**

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C.L. SIMON RECREATION CENTER

NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS



FM 2609/East Austin Street

Project Need

- FM 2609 is one of three east/west corridors that travel through Nacogdoches
- Existing bottleneck between Raguet and North streets
- Projected 52% increase in traffic by 2038

Project Purpose

- Relieve congestion
- Enhance safety
- Upgrade bicycle and pedestrian elements
- Improve east/west traffic flow

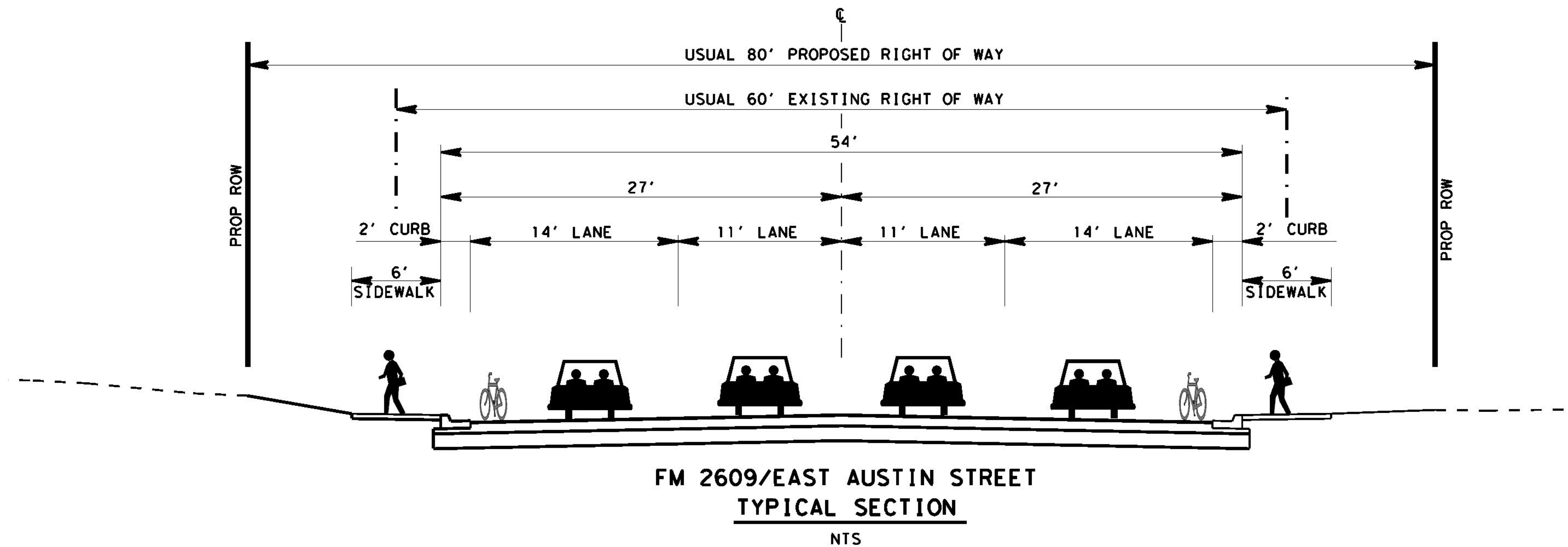
Proposed Improvements

- Four 11-foot travel lanes with curb and gutter
- Additional three feet of pavement to accommodate bicycles
- Six-foot sidewalks and ADA curb ramps to accommodate pedestrians
- Traffic signal at Raguet Street
- 80' typical ROW width

Options Displayed

- Center Alternative
 - Featured at previous public meetings
 - Proposed center of the road is close to the existing location
 - Roadway widening and right of way (ROW) acquisition necessary on both sides of the road
 - Higher ROW costs due to purchase of apartment building and parking on both sides
- North Alternative
 - From North to Pecan, shifts the center of the road north of the existing location and requires widening and ROW acquisition to take place on the north
 - From Pecan to Raguet, the proposed center of the road would shift to the existing location requiring widening and ROW acquisition on both sides
 - Lower ROW costs due to purchase of only north side apartment building

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Existing Roadway

- Two 12-foot travel lanes with curb and gutter
- No bicycle accommodations
- Narrow sidewalks
- Four way stop at Raguet Street
- 60' typical right of way width

Proposed Roadway

- Four 11-foot travel lanes with curb and gutter
- Additional three feet of pavement to accommodate bicycles
- Six-foot sidewalks and ADA curb ramps to accommodate pedestrians
- Traffic signal at Raguet Street
- 80' typical right of way width