City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Transportation \& Capital Improvements

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Mike Frisbie, P.E.

## COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT: Major Thoroughfare Plan Amendment - Real Road

## SUMMARY:

An ordinance amending the Major Thoroughfare Plan, a component of the City of San Antonio Master Plan, by removing a proposed segment of Real Road from Loop 410 to existing Real Road, generally located in Council District 2 and eastern Bexar County.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Major Thoroughfare Plan (MTP) adopted as a component of the City's Comprehensive Master Plan generally identifies the location for major roads within San Antonio and its extra territorial jurisdiction (ETJ). The MTP assures an adequate transportation network that moves people, goods, and services in an optimal and efficient manner through right-of-way dedication for future roads. The MTP was adopted by City Council through Ordinance 49818 on September 21, 1978. The MTP has been amended several times through the years to calibrate and realign the thoroughfares along with development of the greater San Antonio metropolitan area. The MTP thoroughfares are generally built out as development occurs. The East/West Connector (later named Real Road) was designated as a Secondary Arterial Type A, requiring 86 feet of right-of-way, on the Major Thoroughfare Plan on August 28, 1986 by Ordinance 63551.

The Planning Commission Technical Advisory Committee recommended approval on May 11, 2018. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the amendment through a regularly scheduled public hearing on May 23, 2018.

ISSUE:

The request is to remove a proposed segment of Real Road, a Secondary Arterial Type A requiring 86 feet of right-of-way, between Loop 410 and the existing Real Road.

Several developments in the municipality of China Grove have been approved and built such that the eastern segment of the adopted Major Thoroughfare Plan alignment can no longer be implemented. In addition, the presence of several large floodplains makes the segment unlikely to be constructed due to storm water concerns and the cost of implementing extensive drainage structures. Finally, proposed alternate realignments do not allow for adequate spacing between adjacent thoroughfares, as recommended by the Major Thoroughfare Plan.

## ALTERNATIVES:

City Council could choose not to authorize the amendment to the Major Thoroughfare Plan in favor of keeping the adopted alignment unchanged. If the alignment remains unchanged as adopted, any future development along the alignment will need to dedicate the minimum 86 -feet of right-of-way to meet the requirements of the MTP.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the MTP amendment.

## RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of an ordinance amending the Major Thoroughfare Plan, a component of the City of San Antonio Master Plan, by removing a proposed segment of Real Road between Loop 410 and existing Real Road.

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