



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Planning Commission

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Tomika Monterville, MSP

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Major Thoroughfare Plan Amendment - Beck Road

SUMMARY:

Consideration of a request to amend the Major Thoroughfare Plan, a component of the City of San Antonio Master Plan, by realigning a proposed segment of Beck Road, a Secondary Arterial Type A requiring 86' feet of right-of way, between existing New Sulphur Springs Road and existing Burshard Road.

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 works to move 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 is generally built as development occurs. In 1986, Beck Road between New Sulphur Springs Road to Burshard Road was designated as a new alignment on the MTP by City Council through Ordinance 63551.

ISSUE:

The request is to realign a proposed segment of Beck Road, a Secondary Arterial Type A requiring 86' feet of right-of way, between existing New Sulphur Springs Road and existing Burshard Road.

The alignment as adopted currently bisects approximately 470' feet of the 100-year flood plain. The proposed realignment will shift the alignment so that it reduces the conflict with the flood plain to approximately 240'

feet. The proposed realignment will also eliminate the “Y” shaped intersection for Burshard Road and Gardner Road that the adopted alignment currently proposes. If adopted, the realignment will create a safer “T” intersection about 970’ feet east of the existing intersection of Burshard Road and Gardner Road.

Currently, the north-south connectivity between Burshard Road and US HWY 87 is handled by Foster Road, which lies approximately 1.6 miles from the proposed realignment. The proposed realignment will serve as an extension to the existing Beck Road and provide a direct connection between US HWY 87 and Burshard Road. This connection will support future development in the area along with the existing Calaveras Power Plant that is located at Calaveras Lake.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Planning Commission Technical Advisory Committee could choose not to recommend approval of the MTP amendment to realign Beck Road 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 this amendment.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of a recommendation to the Planning Commission to amend the Major Thoroughfare Plan, a component of the City of San Antonio Master Plan, by realigning a proposed segment of Beck Road, a Secondary Arterial Type A requiring 86’ feet of right-of way, between existing New Sulphur Springs Road and existing Burshard Road.