



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Tomika Monterville, MSP

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:** Major Thoroughfare Plan Amendment: East and West Connector

### **SUMMARY:**

An ordinance amending the Major Thoroughfare Plan, a component of the City of San Antonio Master Plan, by realigning a proposed segment of East and West Connector, a Secondary Arterial Type A requiring 86 feet of right-of way, between existing Cagnon Road and existing Loop 1604.

### **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.

#### Previous Council Action

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, East and West Connector from 1604 to the Bexar/Medina County Line was designated as a new alignment on the MTP by City Council through Ordinance 63551.

### **ISSUE:**

This ordinance amends the Major Thoroughfare Plan, a component of the City of San Antonio Master Plan, by realigning a proposed segment of East and West Connector, a Secondary Arterial Type A requiring 86 feet of right-of way, between existing Cagnon Road and existing Loop 1604.

The Westlakes Master Development Plan (MDP) was approved by the City of San Antonio's Development Services Department on June 8, 2018. The adopted MTP alignment within the Westlakes development site was realigned under the old assumption that an alignment can be adjusted anywhere along a property as long as the connection is maintained. This realignment avoids the conservation easement, however, because it didn't go through the formal MTP process, it remains as adopted on the MTP map. The city initiated proposed realignment matches what was approved in the Westlakes MDP. This realignment moves the thoroughfare north, outside of the floodplain.

A prospective buyer/developer is initiating an MTP amendment for the western portion of the adopted alignment in conjunction with the amendment describe in this memo.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

City Council could choose not to authorize the MTP amendment to realign East and West Connector 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 an ordinance amending the Major Thoroughfare Plan (MTP), a component of the City of San Antonio Master Plan, by realigning a proposed segment of East and West Connector, a Secondary Arterial Type A requiring 86 feet of right-of way, between existing Cagnon Road and existing Loop 1604.

The MTP Amendment for Beck Road was reviewed by the Planning Commission Technical Advisory Committee (PCTAC) on April 12, 2021 and the Planning Commission on April 28, 2021.