

# Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 10/11/22

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 22-0834

LOG NAME: 20MTP AMENDMENT FOR OLD WEATHERFORD ROAD

## **SUBJECT**

(CD 3 and ETJ) Authorize Adoption of an Amendment to the Master Thoroughfare Plan to Change the Cross Section for Old Weatherford Road from a Neighborhood Connector with a Two Way Left Turn Lane to a Neighborhood Connector with a Non-Traversable Standard Median

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the proposed amendment to the Master Thoroughfare Plan, MT-22-008, to change the cross section for Old Weatherford Road from a Neighborhood Connector with a Two-Way Left Turn Lane to a Neighborhood Connector with a Non-Traversable Standard Median.

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## **DISCUSSION:**

The City Plan Commission held a public hearing on the proposed Master Thoroughfare Plan (MTP) amendment (MT-22-008) on August 10, 2022. Property owners within 200 feet of the MTP amendment were notified of this request, along with registered community organizations within a half mile. Following the public hearing, the City Plan Commission recommended approval of the amendment to City Council. The proposed cross section is a new section that requires less width than the existing typical sections, thus requiring City Council approval. [MTP, Sec. 1]

Old Weatherford Road is a neighborhood connector on the MTP that runs along platted and un-platted property in Parker County extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) and part of Council District 3, located in Walsh Ranch. This section of Old Weatherford Road has recently experienced more traffic from Walsh and Morningstar residential developments, a Parker County sub-courthouse and a new school building by Aledo Independent School District. The MTP cross section for Old Weatherford Road will still be a Neighborhood Connector going from a Two-Way Left Turn Lane, NCO-L2-T0-TWLT-P0-BOP (110), to a Neighborhood Connector with a Non-Traversable Standard Median, NCO-L2-T0-NTMS-P0-BOP (100), but it will be slightly narrower due to an existing gas line easement that runs parallel to the existing right-of-way.

This proposed cross section has evolved from discussions among City staff, North Central Texas Council of Governments staff, Parker County, and Aledo Independent School District. The ultimate build out section will include 10-foot wide sidewalks in public access easements to address the existing gas lines, which are located in utility easements. The purpose of changing the left turn lane to a non-traversable median is to reduce turning conflicts. The current right-of-way width varies from 80 feet to 100 feet in width. As the remaining parcels develop, additional right-of-way will be acquired to develop the neighborhood connector to its full width.

The MTP amendment is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 3 and PARKER COUNTY Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ).

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

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## **FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that approval of this recommendation will have no effect on City funds.

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