



To the Mayor and Members of the City Council

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SUBJECT: 101588 UNIVERSITY DRIVE CONSTRUCTION PHASING TO MINIMIZE TRAFFIC IMPACT

The purpose of this informal report is to describe efforts of the contractor, Texas Bit, to minimize construction traffic impacts during major events along the University Drive corridor during the project.

The limits of the University Drive project are from West Rosedale Street to Riverfront Drive. There are currently three northbound lanes and three southbound lanes with a two-way left turn lane. This project will replace the two-way left turn lane with a raised, landscaped, concrete median and protected left turn bays. Major work items for this project include sanitary sewer, medians, traffic signals, street lights, stamped concrete crosswalks, sidewalks, ADA ramps, bus stops, milling and asphalt overlay, signing striping and landscaping. Construction is anticipated to last one year.

The contract was awarded on August 23, 2022 (CSC No. 58122) for \$3,406,056.86 with an original construction start date of November 28, 2022. At TPW's request the contractor has agreed to delay the start of construction until February 6, 2023 to avoid impacts to Stock Show Rodeo traffic.

The contractor has agreed to phase construction activities such that all 6 lanes of traffic will remain open during the events in the table below.

Event	Dates	Condition
Fort Worth Zoo Spring Break	Mar. 13 – Mar. 19, 2023	6 Lanes Open
Fort Worth Zoo Run	TBA Saturday early April, 2023	6 Lanes Open
Mayfest	May 4 – May 7, 2023	6 Lanes Open
Colonial Golf Tournament	May 24 – May 28, 2023	6 Lanes Open
TCU Home Football Game	Saturday, Sept. 2, 2023	6 Lanes Open
TCU Home Football Game	Saturday Sept. 9, 2023	6 Lanes Open
TCU Home Football Game	Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023	6 Lanes Open
TCU Home Football Game	TBA Saturday, 2023	6 Lanes Open
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Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo	Jan. 13 – Feb. 4, 2024	6 Lanes Open

During normal construction operations, it is anticipated that 1 lane in each direction will be closed. This controlled footprint will allow completion of the work and reopening the lanes before the next event. The following two scenarios will require an exception to this rule.

The sanitary sewer work requires closing all three northbound lanes due to the sewer line's location under the pavement. The center lane and one southbound lane will be utilized to maintain two travel lanes in each direction during sewer reconstruction. This work will take approximately three weeks to complete, and is scheduled to finish prior to Spring Break 2023.

Milling and overlay of the pavement will be performed at night (9:00PM-5:30AM) to minimize daytime traffic disruptions and to allow for a 2 lane closure in one direction which provides a better

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quality surface. Two lanes will be closed for safety when paving the middle lane. Paving will take approximately five days, and will be scheduled between events.

Stamped concrete crosswalks will be installed one lane at a time (or one half driveway at a time) using high early strength concrete. Businesses and property owners will be notified in advance when to expect limited driveway access. Where feasible, conduit will be installed by boring, rather than open cut, to minimize traffic disruptions.

Questions regarding this information can be directed to Lauren Prieur, Interim Transportation and Public Works Director, at 817-392-6035 or at Lauren.Prieur@fortworthtexas.gov.

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