

**Minutes of the 2014 Houston Planning Commission
Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan Amendments
Recommendation Meeting
August 14, 2014**

Meeting to be held in
Council Chambers, Public Level, City Hall Annex
2:30 p.m.

Call to order:

Chair, Mark Kilkenny, called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m. with a quorum present.

Mark A. Kilkenny, Chair
M. Sonny Garza
Susan Alleman
Keiji Asakura
Fernando Brave
Kenneth Bohan
Antoine Bryant
Lisa Clark
Algenita Davis
Truman C. Edminster III
James R. Jard
Paul R. Nelson
Linda Porras-Pirtle
Mike Sikes
Eileen Subinsky
Martha Stein
Blake Tart III
Shaukat Zakaria
Mark Mooney for
The Honorable Ed Chance
Clay Foriester for
The Honorable Grady Prestage
Raymond Anderson for
The Honorable Ed Emmett

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's Report was given by Patrick Walsh, Director, Planning and Development Department.

I. STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND PLANNING COMMISSION CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON THE 2014 MAJOR THOROUGHFARE AND FREEWAY PLAN PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Fort Bend County Engineering & City of Houston Planning and Development

A-1: Hillcroft Avenue- Fondren Road to McHard Road

A-2: Hillcroft Avenue- Fondren Road to Beltway 8

Staff recommendation: Hillcroft (A-1): Add East Hillcroft Avenue and West Hillcroft Avenue from Fondren Road to McHard Road (FM 2234) as a sufficient width two-lane Major Thoroughfares where ROW varies (T-2-Varies) on the MTFP.

Hillcroft (A-2): Add East Hillcroft Avenue and West Hillcroft Avenue from Fondren Road to Beltway 8 as a sufficient width two-lane Major Thoroughfares where ROW varies (T-2-Varies) on the MTFP.

Commission action: Hillcroft (A-1): Added East Hillcroft Avenue and West Hillcroft Avenue from Fondren Road to McHard Road (FM 2234) as a sufficient width two-lane Major Thoroughfares where ROW varies (T-2-Varies) on the MTFP.

Hillcroft (A-2): Added East Hillcroft Avenue and West Hillcroft Avenue from Fondren Road to Beltway 8 as a sufficient width two-lane Major Thoroughfares where ROW varies (T-2-Varies) on the MTFP.

Motion: **Bohan** Second: **Subinsky** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

Harris County Public Infrastructure Department

Items B-1 and B-2 were taken together at this time.

B-1: Penn City Road-IH 10 to Jacintoport

B-2: Jacinto Boulevard-Penn City Road to East Beltway 8/East Sam Houston Parkway North

Staff recommendation: Penn City (B-1): Add Penn City Road between IH 10 and proposed extension of Jacintoport Boulevard as a four-lane major thoroughfare with proposed 80' of ROW (T-4-80) on the MTFP.

Jacintoport (B-2): Add Jacintoport Boulevard between Penn City Road and East Beltway 8/East Sam Houston Parkway North, as a four-lane major thoroughfare with an 80' ROW (T-4-80) on the MTFP.

Commission action: Penn City (B-1): Added Penn City Road between IH 10 and proposed extension of Jacintoport Boulevard as a four-lane major thoroughfare with proposed 80' of ROW (T-4-80) on the MTFP.

Jacintoport (B-2): Added Jacintoport Boulevard between Penn City Road and East Beltway 8/East Sam Houston Parkway North, as a four-lane major thoroughfare with an 80' ROW (T-4-80) on the MTFP.

Motion: **Bryant** Second: **Tartt** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

Items B-3 and B-4 are taken together at this time.

B-3: Cypress Rosehill Road- Grant Road to Jurgen Road

B-4: Cypress Rosehill Road- Juergen Road to FM 2920

Staff recommendation: Cypress Hill Road (B-3): Reclassify and realign Cypress Hill Road between Grant Road and Jurgen Road from a four-lane Major Thoroughfare with 100' ROW (T-4-100) to a four-lane Major Collector (MJ-4-80).

Cypress Hill Road (B-4): Reclassify and realign Cypress Hill Road between Jurgen Road and FM 2920 from a four-Lane Major Thoroughfare with 100' ROW (T-4-100) to a four-lane Major Collector with 80 ROW (MJ-4-80).

Commission action: Cypress Hill Road (B-3): Reclassified and realigned Cypress Hill Road between Grant Road and Jurgen Road from a four-lane major thoroughfare with 100' ROW (T-4-100) to a four-lane major collector (MJ-4-80).

Cypress Hill Road (B-4): Reclassified and realigned Cypress Hill Road between Jurgen Road and FM 2920 from a four-Lane major thoroughfare with 100' ROW (T-4-100) to a four-lane major collector with 80 ROW (MJ-4-80).

Motion: **Alleman** Second: **Nelson** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

Vernon G. Henry & Associates

C-1: Winfield Road/Generation Pkwy- Proposed Street "E" to Mesa Road

Staff recommendation: Deny realignment of major thoroughfare Winfield Road/Generation Pkwy between proposed "E" Street and Mesa Road and allow a reduced center line in coordination with the City of Houston and Harris County.

Commission action: Deferred the item until the August 21, 2014 meeting to allow time for further study and review.

Motion: **Edminster** Second: **Bohan** Vote: **Carries** Abstaining: **None**
Opposed: **Garza, Bryant, Anderson, and Alleman**

C-2: John Ralston- North Lake Houston to Generation Parkway

Staff recommendation: Deny the deletion of John Ralston Road between North Lake Houston Parkway and Generation Parkway and realign John Ralston north of N. Lake Houston Parkway to "E" street as a major collector.

Commission action: Denied the deletion of John Ralston Road between North Lake Houston Parkway and Generation Parkway and realigned John Ralston north of N. Lake Houston Parkway to "E" street as a major collector.

Motion: **Garza** Second: **Bryant** Vote: **Carries** Abstaining: **None**
Opposed: **Clark and Edminster**

C-3: Street "E"- North Lake Houston Pkwy to Lockwood

Staff recommendation: Add Street "E" from North Lake Houston Parkway to Lockwood Drive as a major collector (MJ-4-100).

Commission action: Added Street "E" from North Lake Houston Parkway to Lockwood Drive as a major collector (MJ-4-100).

Motion: **Edminster** Second: **Garza** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

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Items D-1 and D-2 are taken together at this time.

D-1: City Park Central Lane- Orem Drive to Almeda Genoa Road

D-2: Cityscape Avenue- Orem to Almeda Genoa Road

Staff recommendation: City Park Central Lane (D-1): Add City Park Central Lane as a two-lane minor collector with 60' ROW (MN-2-60) between Orem Drive and Almeda Genoa Road to the City's Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (MTFP)

Cityscape Avenue (D-2): Add Cityscape Avenue as a two-lane minor collector with 60' ROW (MN-2-60) between Orem Drive and Almeda Genoa Road to the MTFP

Commission action: City Park Central Lane (D-1): Added City Park Central Lane as a two-lane minor collector with 60' ROW (MN-2-60) between Orem Drive and Almeda Genoa Road to the City's Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (MTFP)

Cityscape Avenue (D-2): Added Cityscape Avenue as a two-lane minor collector with 60' ROW (MN-2-60) between Orem Drive and Almeda Genoa Road to the MTFP

Motion: **Jard** Second: **Asakura** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

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E-1: Huffman Cleveland-FM 1485 to Plum Grove Road

E-2: FM 1485- Intersection realignment at Huffman Cleveland Road

E-3: Community Drive-Huffman Cleveland Road to COH ETJ

E-4: Oakleaf Drive-Kingwood Drive to Plum Grove Road

E-5: Idleloch Drive-FM 2100 to Community Drive

E-6: Miller Wilson Road- Kingwood Drive to COH ETJ

E-7: Wolf Trot- Kingwood Drive to COH ETJ

Staff Recommendation: Defer the items until the August 21, 2014 meeting.

Commission action: Deferred the items until the August 21, 2014 meeting.

Motion: **Jard** Second: **Bohan** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

Midtown Development Authority

F-1: Brazos Street-Jefferson to Spur 527

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Brazos Street from a four-lane major collector (MJ-4-80) to a three-lane major collector (MJ-3-80) between Spur 527 and Jefferson Street on the City's Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (MTFP).

Commission action: Reclassified Brazos Street from a four-lane major collector (MJ-4-80) to a three-lane major collector (MJ-3-80) between Spur 527 and Jefferson Street on the City's Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (MTFP).

City of Houston, Planning & Development Department

Inner West Loop Mobility Study

New Minor/Major Collector

Items G-8 through G-39 are taken together at this time.

- G-8: Center Street-Houston Street to Detering Street
- G-9: Claremont Lane- San Felipe Street to Westheimer Road
- G-10: Clay Street- Taft Street to McDuffie Street
- G-11: Cummin Street-Alabama Street to Richmond
- G-12: Detering Street- Center Street to Memorial Drive
- G-13: Drexel Drive- San Felipe Street to Richmond Avenue
- G-14: Eastside Street- Westheimer Road to Richmond
- G-15: Fairview Street (Tuam-Fairview-Reba Drive)- Bagby to Kirby Drive
- G-16: Fegan Street- Heights Boulevard to Westcott Street
- G-17: Graustark Street- Westheimer Road to US 59
- G-18: Greenbriar Drive-Westheimer Road to Lexington
- G-19: Hazard Road- Westheimer Road to US 59
- G-20: Inwood Drive- Shepherd Drive to Willowick Road
- G-21: Jackson Hill Street- Washington Avenue to Memorial Drive
- G-22: Mandell Street- Westheimer Road to US 59
- G-23: McDuffie Street- Shepherd Drive to Gray Street
- G-24: Mid Lane- San Felipe Street to Richmond Avenue
- G-25: Patterson Street- IH 10 to Washington Avenue
- G-26: Patterson Street- Washington Avenue to Fegan Street
- G-27: Post Oak Boulevard-Post Oak Drive to IH 610
- G-28: Post Oak Park Drive- IH 610 to Post Oak Boulevard
- G-29: Post Oak Park Drive- Post Oak Boulevard to San Felipe
- G-30: River Oak Boulevard- Inwood Drive to Westheimer
- G-31: Stanford Street- Allen Parkway to Richmond Avenue
- G-32: Taft Street- Allen Parkway to West Gray
- G-33: Taft Street- West Gray to Westheimer Road
- G-34: Timmons Lane- Westheimer Road to Richmond Avenue
- G-35: Timmons Lane- Richmond Avenue to US 59
- G-36: Vermont Street- Shepherd Drive to Dunlavy Street
- G-37: Westcreek Lane- San Felipe Street to Westheimer Road
- G-38: Willowrock Road- Westheimer to Inwood
- G-39: Woodhead Street- Westheimer Road to US 59

Staff recommendation: Reclassify items G-8 through G-39 as minor/major collectors of the City's Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (MTFP).

Commission action: Reclassified items G-8 through G-39 as minor/major collectors of the City's Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (MTFP).

Motion: **Edminster** Second: **Clark** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

Reclassify Major Thoroughfare/Major Collector Streets

G-1: Commonwealth Street- Waugh Drive to Westheimer Road

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Commonwealth Street between W. Gray and Westheimer from a three-lane Major Collector (MJ-4-80) to a two-lane Major Collector (MJ-2-80).

Commission action: Reclassified Commonwealth Street between W. Gray and Westheimer from a three-lane Major Collector (MJ-4-80) to a two-lane Major Collector (MJ-2-80).

Motion: **Asakura** Second: **Brave** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

G-2: Crockett Street-Sawyer Street to Houston Avenue

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Crockett Street, between Sawyer Street and Houston Avenue, from a 4-lane major collector (C-4-70) to a 2-lane major collector (MJ-2-70)

Commission action: Reclassified Crockett Street, between Sawyer Street and Houston Avenue, from a 4-lane major collector (C-4-70) to a 2-lane major collector (MJ-2-70)

Motion: **Jard** Second: **Tartt** Vote: **Carries** Abstaining: **None**
Opposed: **Bohan**

G-6: Shepherd Drive-Westheimer Road to Portsmouth Street

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Shepherd Drive between Westheimer Road and Portsmouth Street as minimum 70' ROW major thoroughfare (T-4-70).

Commission action: Reclassified Shepherd Drive between Westheimer Road and Portsmouth Street as minimum 70' ROW major thoroughfare (T-4-70).

Motion: **Bohan** Second: **Garza** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

G-7: Washington Avenue- IH 10 to Westcott Street (Roundabout)

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Washington Avenue between Washington at Westcott roundabout and IH 10 as a four-lane Major Thoroughfare (T-4-70) to a three-lane Major Thoroughfare (T-3-70).

Commission action: Reclassified Washington Avenue between Washington at Westcott roundabout and IH 10 as a four-lane Major Thoroughfare (T-4-70) to a three-lane Major Thoroughfare (T-3-70).

Motion: **Clark** Second: **Garza** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

G-3: Dunlavy Street- Allen Parkway to US 59- **Items were taken in segments and acted upon separately.**

Segment 1

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Dunlavy Street from Allen Parkway to West Gray from a four-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a two-lane 70' ROW major collector (MJ-2-70).

Commission action: Reclassified Dunlavy Street from Allen Parkway to West Gray from a four-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a three-lane 70' ROW major collector (MJ-3-70) where two lanes are considered travel lanes and one lane is provided for turning movements.

Motion: **Edminster** Second: **Bohan** Vote: **Carries** Abstaining: **None**
Opposed: **Alleman**

Segment 2

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Dunlavy Street from West Gray to Westheimer from a four-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a two-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-2-60).

Commission action: Reclassified Dunlavy Street from West Gray to Westheimer from a four-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a two-lane 70' ROW major collector (MJ-2-70).

Motion: **Edminster** Second: **Zakaria** Vote: **Carries** Abstaining: **None**
Opposed: **Alleman, Asakura, and Garza**

Segment 3

Staff Recommendation: Reclassify Dunlavy Street from Westheimer to Richmond from a four-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a two-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-2-60).

Commission action: Reclassified Dunlavy Street from Westheimer to Richmond from a four-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a three-lane 70' ROW major collector (MJ-3-70) where two lanes are considered travel lanes and one lane is provided for turning movements.

Motion: **Edminster** Second: **Bohan** Vote: **Carries** Abstaining: **None**
Opposed: **Alleman, Asakura, Garza**

Segment 4

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Dunlavy Street from Richmond Avenue to US 59 from a four-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a two-lane minor collector 60' ROW (MN-2-60).

Commission action: Reclassified Dunlavy Street from Richmond Avenue to US 59 from a four-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a two-lane 60' ROW minor collector (MN-2-60).

Motion: **Edminster** Second: **Asakura** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**

G-4: Sawyer Street- Crockett Street to Washington Avenue

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Sawyer Street from a Crockett Street to Washington Avenue, from a four-lane, minimum 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a two-lane, minimum 70' ROW major collector (MJ-2-70).

Commission action: Reclassified Sawyer Street from Crockett Street to Washington Avenue, from a four-lane, minimum 60' ROW major collector (MJ-4-60) to a three-lane, minimum 70' ROW major collector (MJ-3-70) where two lanes are considered travel lanes and one lane is provided for turning movements.

Motion: **Edminster** Second: **Bohan** Vote: **Carries** Abstaining: **Alleman**
and **Asakura** Opposed: **Garza**

G-5: Sawyer Street-Washington Avenue to Memorial Drive

Staff recommendation: Reclassify Sawyer Street from Washington Avenue to Memorial Drive as four-lane, major collector (MJ-4-60) to a two-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-2-60).

Commission action: Reclassified Sawyer Street from a Washington Avenue to Memorial Drive as four-lane, major collector (MJ-4-60) to a two-lane 60' ROW major collector (MJ-2-60).

Motion: **Stein** Second: **Bohan** Vote: **Carries** Abstaining: **Alleman**
and **Asakura**

II. CONSIDER FORWARDING PLANNING COMMISSION'S CHANGES TO THE 2013 MTFP MAP TO CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommendation: Forward the Planning Commission's changes to the 2013 MTFP map to City Council.

Commission action: Forwarded the Planning Commission's changes to the 2013 MTFP map to City Council.

III. EXCUSE THE ABSENCES OF COMMISSIONER JARD

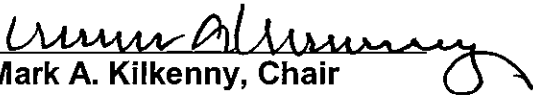
Commissioner Jard was present so no action needed.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT
NONE

V. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chair, Mark A. Kilkenny, adjourned the meeting at 5:41 p.m.

Motion: **Edminster** Second: **Alleman** Vote: **Unanimous** Abstaining: **None**


Mark A. Kilkenny, Chair


Patrick Walsh, Secretary