

Harbor Bridge Project

Northside Neighborhoods Voluntary Resolution Agreement Quarterly Report

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List of Acronyms and Abbreviations

CAB Community Advisory Board

CC City of Corpus Christi

CCHA Corpus Christi Housing Authority

DBE Disadvantaged Business Enterprise

DGA Displaced by Government Action

DRA Del Richardson & Associates, Inc.

DS&S Decent, Safe, & Sanitary

FDLLC Flatiron Dragados Limited Liability Company

FHWA Federal Highway Administration
GIS Geographic Information System

HUD United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

LEP Limited English Proficiency

NTP Notice to Proceed

POCCA Port of Corpus Christi Authority

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RFP Request for Proposal ROD Record of Decision

ROW Right of way

TxDOT Texas Department of Transportation

TxDOT ROW TxDOT Right of Way Division

TxDOT SCM TxDOT Strategic Contract Management

Definitions

For the purpose of this report, the terms listed below shall have the following meanings:

Appraisal means a written statement independently and impartially prepared by a qualified appraiser setting forth an opinion of defined value of an adequately described property as of a specific date, supported by the presentation and analysis of relevant market information.

D.N. Leathers I or D.N. Leathers shall mean the 122-unit public housing complex by that name located in the City of Corpus Christi, which is owned by the Corpus Christi Housing Authority and which is located adjacent to the Hillcrest neighborhood.

Four Party Agreement is the agreement between the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), the Port of Corpus Christi Authority, the City of Corpus Christi, and the Corpus Christi Housing Authority that describes the responsibilities of each of the four agencies related to the Title VI mitigation activities for the Harbor Bridge project (see Appendix A).

Neighborhood shall mean the geographic area in the City of Corpus Christi bounded by West Broadway Street, Floral, Martin Luther King Drive, and the right of way line of the Project.

Owner means a person who purchases or holds any of the following interests in real property:

- (i) Fee title, a life estate, a land contract, a 99-year lease, or a lease including any options for extension with at least 50 years to run from the date of acquisition; or
- (ii) An interest in a cooperative housing project which includes the right to occupy a dwelling; or
- (iii) A contract to purchase any of the interests or estates described in subparagraphs
- (i) or (ii) of this section; or
- (iv) Any other interest, including a partial interest, which in the judgment of TxDOT warrants consideration as ownership.

Tenant means a person who on January 1, 2016, and continuously thereafter, has the temporary use and occupancy of Residential Property owned by another.

Two Party Agreement is the Voluntary Resolution Agreement between the Federal Highway Administration and TxDOT that describes specific Title VI mitigation activities for the Harbor Bridge project

Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on activities related to the Harbor Bridge Project Voluntary Resolution Agreement (VRA). Summary information is provided on activities of the Port of Corpus Christi (Port), City of Corpus Christi (City), and Corpus Christi Housing Authority (CCHA). TxDOT met with City Manager Peter Zanoni and City staff to discuss the Harbor Bridge park mitigation plans. Although the Voluntary Acquisition and Relocation Program has concluded, the Port continues to acquire properties from willing sellers in the northside neighborhood. A quarterly meeting of the Community Advisory Board (CAB) was held on March 23.

Port of Corpus Christi

The Port provided a current map showing ownership of properties within the area of the VRA (included in Appendix A). As of May 2023, the Port currently owns 390 properties within this area, however, they do not own a single contiguous city block within the northside neighborhood.

City of Corpus Christi

The City Engineering Services Department continues to work with their consultant, Halff & Associates to develop a parks plan associated with park and neighborhood mitigation commitments. The parks plan also includes a shared use path connecting northside neighborhood parks.

TxDOT met with City Manager Peter Zanoni and City staff on April 14, 2023 to discuss the Harbor Bridge park mitigation plans. During this meeting, Mr. Zanoni indicated that the city was committed to working with TxDOT, FHWA, and the Harbor Bridge CAB to complete the park mitigation.

The City plans to present the preliminary park plans and solicit community input during several public involvement activities. A list of these public involvement activities is provided in Attachment A. The TxDOT CAB Liaison (Kimberly Amy) and City CAB Liaison (Mai Bernal) met with TxDOT staff on April 24, 2023, to discuss drafting an Advanced Funding Agreement for the park mitigation projects, a requirement of using the federal MPO Cat 7 funds identified for the project. The City presented the 30% parks plan to Corpus Christi City Council on April 25, 2023. TxDOT will continue to coordinate with the City on the parks plan and provide updates to FHWA, as additional information becomes available.

The new City CAB Liaison, Mai Bernal, participated in the Community Advisory Board (CAB) meeting on March 23, 2023 and will be part of the team presenting the parks plan during public involvement activities.

Corpus Christi Housing Authority

CCHA continues to store the plaque and bricks from the demolition of D.N. Leathers I for later use in community exhibits (murals, history walls, etc.).

Community Advisory Board

An in-person CAB meeting was held March 23, 2023. CAB meeting minutes from March 23 (CAB Meeting # 32) are included in Appendix A. During this CAB meeting, Mr. Lamonte Taylor was elected as the new CAB Chair. Based on these meetings, concerns raised by the CAB were tabulated in an updated matrix (included in Appendix A.)

On April 21, 2023 the CAB signed a document titled "Resolution Against Eminent Domain by the Port of Corpus Christi, the City of Corpus Christi, or any other Governmental Entity and the Continued Predation on the Homeowners in the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles Communities" (included in Appendix A).

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Schedule of Events



- April 21, 2023 Design 30% Submittal Review Meeting
- April 25, 2023 City Council Briefing
- May 11, 2023 CAB Meeting
- April 26, 2023 May 15, 2023 Finalize Harbor Bridge Agreement with TXDOT
- June 2023 Townhall meetings (2)
 - Hillcrest Community
 - Corpus Christi Black Chamber of Commerce
 - Brooks AME 2011 North Port Avenue, (361) 4452-6865
 - National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
 - Texas Alliance of Black School Educators (TABSE)
 - Park and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC)
- July 2023 December 2023 Finalizing Designs



Save the Date!

Harbor Bridge Community Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting

When: Thursday, March 23rd, 2023 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Where: Oveal Williams Senior Center 1414 Martin Luther King Drive Corpus Christi, TX 78401











¡Guarda la Fecha!

Reunión del Comité de Consejo Comunitario de Harbor Bridge

Cuando: jueves, 23 de marzo del 2023

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Las puertas se abrirán al público a las 5:30 p.m.

Donde: Oveal Williams Senior Center 1414 Martin Luther King Drive Corpus Christi, TX 78401











Community Advisory Board Meeting #32 Agenda

Date:	Thursday, March 23, 2023					
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Community Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting					
Location:	Oveal Williams Senior Center					
	1414 Martin Luther King Drive, Corpus Christi, TX					
Purpose:	Elect a new CAB Chair					
	Update CAB on bridge construction activities and where to find information					
	Allow the opportunity for the CAB and members of the public to ask questions					
Agenda:	a. The TxDOT Liaison will welcome the group and open the meeting.					
	b. The TxDOT Liaison will review the CAB Charter.					
	c. CAB Chair Election					
	d. Construction update - Information provided by Flatiron/Dragados					
	e. Review concerns raised at last CAB meeting (June 23, 2022)					
	f. CAB members will give feedback on topics and have an opportunity to raise					
	questions and concerns.					
	g. With time remaining, the public can provide comments on Project activities.					
	h. The CAB Chair will close the meeting.					

HARBOR BRIDGE PROJECT COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 23, 2023

The following notes are the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) summary of the meeting and are not designed to be an exact representation of proceedings. The Responses to questions posed during the meeting included in this document may be abbreviated and not constitute the full and appropriate responses for individuals' situations. Community Advisory Board (CAB) members and the public should contact the appropriate agency for complete and personalized answers to their questions.

Opening

Kimberly (Kim) Amy, TxDOT Liaison to the CAB, opened the meeting, welcomed attendees, and gave a moment of prayer. The meeting was held in person at the Oveal Williams Senior Center. Kim provided an overview of the meeting agenda and reminded attendees of CAB ground rules.

New CAB Chair Election

Kimberly Amy, CAB liaison read the steps for picking a new CAB chair. Lamont Taylor and Henry Williams were nominated. Staff tallied the votes. After counting the votes Lamont Taylor was elected as the new CAB Chair.

Flatiron/Dragados LLC Construction Update

Lynn Allison, Public Information Officer (PIO) for bridge developer Flatiron Dragados LLC (FDLLC), provided an update on construction activities and community outreach efforts.

- Lynn shared her contact information, reminded the CAB of Traffic Advisory sign-up sheet, and listened to concerns.
- Lynn provided updates on the latest construction activities for the Harbor Bridge Project
 - Lake Street opening targeted for April 30th May. 10 feet wide sidewalks on both sides. Construction is close to being finished.
 - Lighting at Port Ave underpass back online as of today.
 - o Nueces Bay Blvd under bridge lighting to be turned on in November.
 - Significant clean-up efforts beginning November 2022. Over 300 bags of trash were picked up. Keeping up with sidewalk maintenance.
 - Working to keep access to the senior center clear.
 - More directional signage. Currently have added 50 signs from Leopard Street down to the SEA district Bayfront area.
 - Leopard Street Bridge to be opened in the Fall (October target) with luminary lighting leading up to the bridge for pedestrian traffic and motorists.
 - Plan to coordinate with City to open a full corridor (CoCC) to accommodate new bus stops once Lake Street opens.
 - DBE FDLLC job opportunities invite anyone to call the office. DBE coordinator designated to these efforts.
 - 9% goal exceeded and still welcoming new applicants.
 - Current hiring campaign ongoing
 - Job training programs for new hires
 - o Traffic Switch on IH37 occurred one week ago
 - Finishing demolition of previous structures to begin building the southwest loop ramp (SWLP)
 - Drainage work in the area as part of the drainage package
 - New exit ramp to Port Ave for westbound IH 37
 - Opened turnaround at Nueces Bay

- South Approach Gantry progress Completion by Summer
 - All northbound mainline segments completed. 5 remaining spans to complete south approach construction.
 - Decommissioning gantry planned for the end of May
- Cable Stay Bridge anticipated to be completed in 2025
 - Specific questions about design changes can be found on TxDOT CC district website (txdot.gov keyword search "Corpus Christi District")

Questions from attendees/CAB members following FDLLC presentation:

- When are you planning on addressing the Buddy Lawrence lighting?
 - o I will have to get back to you on that. I don't think that is in our right-of-way.
 - o Buddy Lawrence is outside the scope of the Harbor Bridge Project. It is used as a detour sometimes when we have road closures.
- Is the reconfiguration at Nueces Bay temporary? In the middle of Nueces Bay and Louisiana.
 - o We have a map. We can look at a map later to discuss the details.
- Nueces Bay Bridge is marked with two different signs on each side.
 - We had several of our power source boxes at the individual stations. Just the other day they were vandalized and had all that copper tubing stripped down. Currently reconfiguring some security to prevent break-ins. We're addressing it immediately.
- Concerned about the height of the Nueces Bay Bridge overpass
 - The height is 16 feet. We went two feet higher than the original existing bridge for our industry partners, The clearance is for wide-load vehicles.
 - Lynn will follow up on the exact height.
- Dust concerns in the neighborhood
- HWY 286, as it curves into I37, there's a right exit to MLK, there's Peabody St and Stillman, we don't have signs? Something needs to be done quickly or there is going to be an accident.
 - We follow guidance code for traffic, signage, and street markings. Changes may be a
 deviation from standard traffic practices. You're talking about three-lane traffic so
 when you turn right on the Peabody, to cover three lanes, there is an illegal crossing
 of the double white lane.
 - We are looking into that right now we're going to address.
 - We also are willing to coordinate that with a CCPD and monitor traffic control.
- I thought MLK drive they were supposed to straighten that curve out at Port and Nueces Bay (near the church)
 - Would need to follow up. Not aware.
- Getting the college involved in helping construct these models for the project. We are not seeing the big picture. We need projections.
 - This is all on our website. Project PDF's, every road closure, every road opening is detailed on our website.
 - We post monthly and weekly updates on all traffic movements
 - We also post it to our social media.
 - Lynn to coordinate with TxDOT on more visuals.

- Turnaround at Nueces Bay. Went from 3 lanes to 2 lanes. People don't have a place to park at the apartments nearby. There was parking and now there is no longer parking. The same area as the curve concern.
 - Lynn to follow up.
- Nueces Bay underpass tight turn for the trucks. Not going to widen? Any lighting?
 - We do have lighting.
 - o Crews were working two days ago. Going back to re-wire the conduit.
 - Lynn Allison to follow up and look at the plans
- MLK, in front of Oveal Williams Senior Center, left from Staples trying to get from Port, US 181 traffic coming off to get to NWLR. Left lane not open.
 - Lynn Allison I understand what you're talking about. I've heard this has come before.
 And I think that our technical team is working on addressing this. I don't have the answers for you now. But it's not the first time we've heard this. It's being evaluated.
 - o There is a yield sign, but I do understand that there is a lot of bottlenecking at times.
 - We are going to open that second lane to open up the flow of traffic. Not sure why it has yet to be opened on MLK heading westbound.
- You're already practically built and there are a lot of faults. TxDOT needs to do a better job of communicating traffic updates and changes.
 - It is not a final traffic configuration right now. The final traffic configuration will change in serval ways when the project is finished.
 - Still several changes to come. Several issues will be eliminated once the final traffic configurations occur.
 - o 286 is going to shift over.

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- Flooding on MLK. Flooding on Sam Rankin. Flooding in places that used to never flood. Lexington and Kennedy as well.
 - We will have our team look at the drainage to see what can be done.
 - Lynn asked CAB members to email her photos to look and see if it is related to the Harbor Bridge Project.
- Scale model Chris promised a long time ago. We are not engineers it is difficult for us to visualize.
- No progress at the park by St. Johns. Nothing but dirt and abandoned buildings.
- Lynn Drone video of the project every month that flies over the entire project and it can be shared at the next CAB meeting

Review CAB concerns from the previous meeting

- What projects have been finished?
 - Meaning activities on the HBP; looking for specifics related to the Project.
- Project timeline/schedule after the final design issue is resolved.

New Concerns from CAB members

- On any construction site, the setting up of the barriers is the most important thing. I don't think the public has to be aware of the pictures, I think the workers are responsible for having that in place before the work starts. In other cities, the setup does not come after the fact. Port to MLK.
 - Lynn understands the frustrations, most of that work is not Harbor Bridge construction. It is a project managed by the City of Corpus Christi.
 - Kimberly Amy Let's figure out the specifics. Where exactly are you seeing the traffic concerns?
 - CAB member expressed that there should be coordination between the city and TxDOT
- I'm not saying when they are going to wrap up. I'm just saying when jobs start, signage itself should be in place for everybody in the community. that's supposed to be in place before. Not that we have to come and tell you how the signage is supposed to be set up.
 - o That's something we need to discuss with the city.
- There should be a safety plan in place from the city, and the county. Coordination between the city and TxDOT hasn't been done.
- Signage has not been done been asking for clear signage for everything, on ramps/off ramps; traffic signage. Not business signage.
- We talk about the same things over and over and nothing gets done. We never have the answers.
- We need to figure out was FDLLC is responsible for and what the City of Corpus Christi is responsible for.
- Where is the \$ 5 million that is supposed to fund the project?
- If we had a model, we would know something is coming and see where the changes are going to be.
- Would like a table of construction activities so we can see where they're at in the process and when things are getting finished. A checkoff list.
- More communication/improved communications
- We need a model that shows what partners are responsible for what and we need a completion date for that. We need to bring this to the next CAB meeting to communicate what has happened in the area.
- There was a question about a flooding issue on the Northwest Loop Ramp. How are you dealing with the flooding? There was never a ditch in the first place and now there's a ditch.

Public Comments and Questions

 What is the necessary quorum of the board to make a resolution or statement? Request to make a statement against eminent domain. There is a house bill for the Port to practice for eminent domain in the area. I would encourage the board expressly to make a resolution to the house that you are not in favor of that. And I think amongst yourself you should decide how many people are necessary for a Senate Resolution vote in the resolution because what they're going to do is try to slip away without notice. There's no point in these security measures if you're not able to live there.

- CAB Chair we are going to take a vote and send that resolution.
- CAB member what would constitute them to use eminent domain?
 - Audience member First, they have to show the public purpose. The problem is there wouldn't be a public purpose. The same problem is this bill continues to expand and to develop a domain for an economic purpose. So right now, they don't have a public purpose that they can articulate, which is why we change the law. So, we need to actively fight it, because they're going to come and all these changes will be taken from a payment that must be adjusted fair compensation, and this area will be rezoned. And the value will go down compared to what they turn it into, which is why this board needs to make an affirmative resolution to fight that bill.
- We don't need or want desalination in our area.
- For folks that must go to the website to look at these visuals is a travesty. The idea of having a model is an excellent idea because a lot of folks cannot manipulate that website to get what they want to know.
- The Port and the City are integral parts of this process, and they are not here. These meetings need to be held regularly, especially during the legislative session
- Questions for TxDOT and the City: On 8/15/18 Pastor Adam sent a letter on behalf of the CAB to talk about what wasn't happening here. A week after he passed away, 2/1/23 a letter was sent to the Secretary of the Department of Transportation demanding that measures to enforce the mitigation that was supposed to occur sent – we haven't heard from them yet.
- For TxDOT and the City of Corpus Christi I want to know what is keeping y'all from mitigating and getting the Booker T Washington park going?
- Nothing's happened in Hillcrest nothing from the letter. The Parks should already be there.
- We want TxDOT and the City to respond to the letter and give us a timeline for getting the parks going,
 - Kimberly Amy TxDOT, FHWA, and the city are committed to getting those parks built.
 It's been challenging. There will be parks built by the time the project is complete.
- Is the Port still purchasing homes?
 - Kimberly Amy Yes, they are.
- CAB Chair We need some stuff done in this area. We need to protect these areas. This is history. And you guys are wiping out my history. But change is going to come.
- There were conversations about city services not being provided or at least not consistently being provided. So, I wanted to see if there was an update on that, and in that respect, you are taxpaying residents, you should still have services for all your services from the city.
 - City CAB Liaison that is the wrong department you need to go to the correct department. So, one of the things you need to do is you need the utilities, and you need to call a number - Call 311 or (361) 826-2489.

City CAB Liaison - I do have some updates that I can provide. Just so you know what
is going on. If you haven't heard, we are trying to get back on track and I had a 30%
design that came in this month. So, we are working very hard.

Comments from the CAB chair

- CAB meeting will need to be sooner than every 3 months.
- CAB chair to follow up with city services on what the city isn't doing.

Adjournment

 The CAB Chair asked for a vote on a resolution to oppose the bill supporting the Port of Corpus Christi. Moved and seconded. The next CAB meeting will be on the second Thursday in May. Harbor Bridge Community Advisory Board (CAB) Mr. Lamont Taylor, President

Resolution AGAINST Eminent Domain by The Port of Corpus Christi, the City of Corpus Christi, or any other Governmental Entity and the Continued Predation on the Homeowners in the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles Communities

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens are and have been indispensable and invaluable threads in the fabric of Corpus Christi and Nueces County for over one hundred years; and,

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens have constituted the largest geographical region of Corpus Christi to be continuously inhabited by primarily African American and Hispanic residents for the past approximately one hundred years; and,

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens have, since at least the late 1980s, suffered a long train of abuses and usurpations, largely being underserved, vilified, forgotten, and preyed upon by successive administrations of local government and industry, including the Port of Corpus Christi and the City of Corpus Christi; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens have endured environmental injustice for decades, due to their close proximity to the refineries, afflicting many of their residents with severe and often fatal sicknesses; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens have, for the past approximately 100 years, constituted the enclave of Corpus Christi wherein the highest rate of African American and Hispanic homeownership has existed; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens are aware that since the early 2000s, if not earlier, the City of Corpus Christi has had a plan to transform their communities into "Northside Commons," a mixed-use development intended to cater to moneyed interests external to their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens did not need to endure the unconscionable razing of their beloved home, as the new Harbor Bridge Project had

alternative routes proposed that would have preserved their communities and respected their homeownership and rights to enjoy their property; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens were forced to consider selling their property as part of a "voluntary" relocation program which was, in fact, coercive by virtue of the fact that it was intimated that if homeowners did not participate in this program, they would likely not be able to "quietly enjoy" their property due to industrial interests moving into their community;

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens had to file a lawsuit under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to attempt to compel, by employment of the legal process, recognition and respect of their sacrosanct rights under Texas and federal law to be free from discrimination and disparate impact; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens have been made unkept promise after unkept promise after unkept promise after unkept promise by the Port of Corpus Christi, the City of Corpus Christi, the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) and contractor, Flatiron Dragados, to do things such as:

- 1. mitigating pollutants while building;
- 2. mitigating contaminants from unearthing known brownfields;
- 3. maintaining pool;
- 4. updating Henry Williams Park with tables with covers, planting shade trees, and resurfacing playing and parking areas;
- 5. working on Ben Garza park; building a park as mitigation for tearing down Booker T. Washington school;
- 6. working on the TC Ayers Center and Lovenskind park;
- 7. fencing off the cemetery;
- 8. establishing, most importantly, a livability plan, including provision of the necessary resources to accomplish said plan;
- 9. establishing a City liaison and making veterans services available;

with no such promises coming to fruition after over five years in some instances; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens have no fewer and no less rights, importance, value, benefits, responsibilities, dignity and respect owed them than those citizens of Corpus Christi who live in areas like Kings

Crossing, The Lakes, Flour Bluff, Calallen, Ocean Drive, and the Island; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens who remain domiciled in their beloved community have been subjected to the slowing, weakening, worsening, or complete cessation of services afforded citizens of other communities, including but not limited to:

- 1. trash pickup;
- 2. water;
- 3. maintaining the streets and lighting
- 4. water quality testing
- 5. brush pick ups on schedule
- 6. police patrol or presence; and
- 7. mitigation of the flooding,

and believed to be concerted efforts to force out those who stand stalwart and unmovable and who desire to and will remain in their community; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens are aware that Representative Terry Canales introduced a bill currently pending in the Texas Legislature, intended to expand the eminent domain powers of entities like the Port of Corpus Christi, endeavoring to further imbue them with the power to take land from the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities and citizens have long anticipated that the governmental entities interested in furthering the development of these communities would ultimately do so through the exercise of eminent domain, believed to be imminent; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the members of the Harbor Bridge Community Advisory Board (CAB) steadfastly resolve that we OPPOSE the Port of Corpus Christi exercising eminent domain to acquire the remaining parcels of land owned, inhabited, and held in the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles communities; OPPOSE the continued predation of the communities and citizens in these communities; and resolve that we will continue to EXHAUST any and all remedies, legal and otherwise, to ensure the continued appreciation and enjoyment of our homes and families without the continued harassment of encroaching industry; and RESOLVE that there would be no public purpose, as required by eminent domain, to justify forced acquisition of the land owned by the families now there.

We control and are entitled to our destinies and our property. Encroachment on either or both will be met with vehement opposition today, tomorrow, and forever more until you respect our rights to our land, our homes, and the quiet and uninterrupted enjoyment thereof.

SIGNED AND AFFIRMED THIS THE 21st DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

Donald B. Shelt

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Harbor Bridge Quarterly Update

CAB Concern (TxDOT Actionable Items)	Status	Responsible Party	Explanation
Current project schedule (final completion date)	Complete	FDLLC	FDLLC and TxDOT have come to resolution on design issues. This Design Modification Schedule is available on TxDOT's website. FDLLC will provide an update once a revised schedule has been completed.
Lake Street (neighborhood access)	Complete	FDLLC	Construction of Lake Street, including sidewalks and lighting, is now complete and open to vehicle and pedestrian traffic. Additional lighting will also be placed under the bridge approach spans and ramps once these sections of the project are complete.
Nueces Bay Blvd	In Progress	FDLLC	Construction of asphalt pavement, curb, gutter, and sidewalks is now complete. Lighting at Nueces Bay Boulevard is installed and turned on.
Broadway Street	In Progress	FDLLC	Broadway Street is used as an alternate route when Port Avenue closes for gantry crossing. Broadway will open permanently once the gantry crane has been demobilized (removed) and when work above the street is complete.
Construction on Port Avenue	In Progress	FDLLC	FDLLC is working on the I-37 overpass and frontage roads (MLK and Antelope) that intersect North Port Avenue. The City is managing a construction bond project on Port Ave and Leopard Street. The City project extends south along North Port Ave from EconoLodge to Central Body Auto Repair along, and east from Lester Street past North Port Avenue toward Peabody Avenue. There were concerns from the public about the condition and placement of construction barricades, unclear signage, and construction debris (mud, dust, etc.) in the area of the City's construction project. FDLLC and TxDOT have shared these concerns with the appropriate City staff. FDLLC and the City met in the field to discuss options to further address the area the first week of May.
Model and/or additional visuals for the public	In Progress	TxDOT	TxDOT is currently working with FDLLC to determine an effective approach to creating a 3-D model and/or other visuals. Creating 3-D models is speciality work and it will take several months to procure these services and have the model created. Please note, creating a model large enough to clearly show the freeway interchanges comes with unique challenges and TxDOT and FDLLC are exploring options to overcome these.
Drainage Issues within the neighborhood	In Progress	TxDOT, FDLLC, and City of CC	As part of the final design, final pavement lifts and drainage work is planned. Ponding and flooding in TxDOT ROW will likely be resolved as this work is completed. Separately, TxDOT received multiple comments from residents regarding ponding occuring on City streets. These issues will need to be resolved through maintenance or construction efforts by City of Corpus Christi. TxDOT shared these concerns with the City staff and advised residents to reach out to the City directly at their hotline 361-826-CITY(2489).
Sidewalks and lighting	In Progress	FDLLC	Sidewalks on I-37 frontage road (including all underpasses and intersections) have been completed with the exception of a few small areas that need to be cast with water valves. Project staff are completing periodic night drives to monitor lighting. Repairs to lighting are completed as issues are identified. FDLLC PIC Coordinator, Lynn Allison is the point of contact (POC) if lighting repairs are needed. City of Corpus Christi lighting on wooden telephone poles and on City streets should also be directed to the City of Corpus Christi at 361-826-CITY(2489).
High Mast Lighting	In Progress	City of CC and TxDOT	High mast lighting is operational in the area of the northside neighborhoods and at the SH 286/I-37 interchange, however, some high mast lighting north of Buddy Lawrence has been damaged. TxDOT is currently coordinating with the City of Corpus Christi to complete repairs.
Condition of City streets (potholes, etc.)	Unknown	City of CC	The City of Corpus Christi filled potholes and performed minor maintenance repairs on city streets in the northside neighborhood in January - April 2023. Please refer to City of Corpus Christi for additional information on planned roadway maintenance, rehabilitation, or construction.

CAB Concern (TxDOT Actionable Items)	Status	Responsible Party	Explanation
Coordination between The City of Corpus Christi and TxDOT	In Progress	City of CC and TxDOT	TxDOT and the City are holding regular coordination meetings to discuss projects, including the Harbor Bridge park mitigation and the hike and bike project (sometimes referred to as a connectivity plan). These meetings are typically held bimonthly (occur every 2 months)
Pedestrian & bike facilities in Northside Neighborhoods	In Progress	City of CC	A project has been programmed and funding has been identified for these improvements (CSJ 0916-35-195). Approximately \$1.2 million of CAT 7 funding is currently authorized for this project. TxDOT is currently working with the City to complete a legal agreement that includes hike and bike trails and park mitigation. In addition, TxDOT is workign with the City to complete an Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) for portions of the hike and bike trail that will be constructed using federal funding/MPO CAT 7 funds. Beginning at Kennedy and Winnebego, the shared use path would extend east down Winnabego, then down the new Lake Street, connecting to the new park at the Washington school site, and extending east to connect to Soloman Coles Rec Center.
Improvements to H.J. Williams Park, TC Ayers Park, Washington School Site, & Ben Garza Park	In Progress	City of CC	A project has been programmed and funding has been identified for these improvements (CSJ 0916-35-196). Approximately \$1.3 million of CAT 7 (80% federal) and CAT 3 (local) funding is currently authorized for this project. TxDOT is currently working with the City to complete a legal agreement that includes hike and bike trails and park mitigation. In addition, TxDOT is workign with the City to complete an Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) for portions of the hike and bike trail that will be constructed using federal funding/MPO CAT 7 funds. The City will present the 30% preliminary design for parks in the northside neighborhood at the next CAB meeting currently scheduled for May 11, 2023.
North Trailhead Park	In Progress	TxDOT	The Revision 2 Landscape and Aesthetic Plan are complete.
South Trailhead Park	In Progress	FDLLC	The Revision 2 Landscape and Aesthetic Plan are complete.
Future zoning and land use within Northside Neighborhoods	N/A	POCCA	Currently, no plans to re-zone. All parcels acquired through the VRA can no longer be used for residencial purposes. Please refer to Port of Corpus Christi for additional information. No TxDOT or FHWA involvement.
Desalination plant in Northside Neighborhoods	Unknown	City of CC	No TxDOT or FHWA involvement
Use of Eminent Domain in Northside Neighborhoods	Unknown	POCCA	No TxDOT or FHWA involvement

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DBE/HUD Goals	Complete	FDLLC	The required goal of 9% has currently been met.
Temp/Construction directional signs for businesses	Complete (8/19/2022)	FDLLC	FDLLC began work to place directional signs for businesses after CAB meeting in June 2022. From August to September 2022, FDLLC installed supplemental route shield pavement markers and added guidance signs to help residents and visitors with wayfinding. Between September 2022 and December 2022, FDLLC has made an effort to perform housekeeping on the job site, including replacing non-reflective or damaged signs and traffic control items.
Nueces Bay Lighting	Complete (March 2023)	FDLLC	Nueces Bay lighting restored following vandalism
Port Avenue Lighting	Complete (March 2023)	FDLLC	Port Avenue lighting completed
Removal of brush from Nueces Bay Sidewalks	Complete (4/1/2023)	TXDOT and City of CC	TxDOT was contacted by CAB member about issues with brush blocking sidewalk on Nueces Bay Boulevard. TxDOT reached out to the City of Corpus Christi Code Enforcement & Solid Waste teams and explained that the area was City of Corpus infrastructure and was outside the scope of the Harbor Bridge Project. City of Corpus Christi picked up large brush on sidewalk at Nueces Bay shortly thereafter.
Project Wide cleanup and mowing	Completed (March 2023)	FDLLC	FDLLC performed a project wide cleanup in early 2023, collecting over 90 bags of litter in Salt Flats channel. FDLLC performed housekeeping and cleanup efforts project wide, with special attention given to mowing, trimming, and litter pickup along the northside neighborhoods.
Mud and dirt tracking	Completed (March 2023)	FDLLC	FDLLC performed sweeping of main lanes, frontage roads, and streets affected by construction traffic following rain events and as needed when requested by stakeholders and the public.