City of New Braunfels

NEW BRAUNFELS 2013 BOND PROGRAM

Solms Road/Morningside Drive Reconstruction

Project Description

This project improves vehicular/pedestrian access to Morningside Elementary and connects a rapidly developing area of the city with IH-35. This project will involve the reconstruction of Morningside Drive from Solms Road to the IH-35 frontage road and reconstruction of Solms Road from Morningside Drive to the IH-35 frontage road. The current roads have two lanes with an open ditch on either side. The 2012 Thoroughfare Plan classifies Morningside Drive and Solms Road as major collectors with up to 90 feet of right-way (which could accommodate up to five lanes). The roadways will also include sidewalks on both sides and drainage improvements. Final configuration will be dependent upon engineering analysis.

Begin Design, Engineering	Begin Construction Phase	Estimated Completion
2013	2016	2018

Status

April 2014—First public meeting scheduled for May 8, 2014.
March 2014—Preliminary alignments are being developed and reviewed for public meeting(s).
January 2014—Survey and data collection continues. Geotechnical investigations are complete and lab testing is underway. Data collection for traffic engineering is underway. Field work for the environmental assessment completed.
December 2013—Survey and geotechnical crews will conduct survey, data collection, and subsurface soil investigations for the design of the project. Survey crews will be locating existing infrastructure and mapping topography within the public right-of-way. Geotechnical crews will be sampling and documenting sub-surface soil conditions within the existing pavement section to analyze for a proposed pavement section for the project.
October 2013— City Council approved contract with Moeller & Associates for preliminary engineering and design services.
August 2013—Negotiating scope of services and fees for design services.

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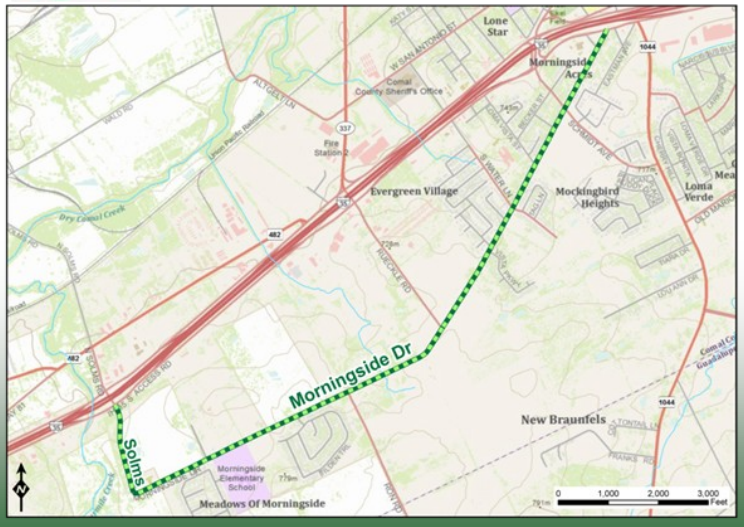

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