

The City of Austin is analyzing Circle S Road in order to identify mobility and safety improvement recommendations to be included in a Preliminary Engineering Report.

This is part of the 2016 Mobility Bond for substandard streets. This project will evaluate road conditions, such as traffic, sidewalks, curbs, and more to enhance mobility and safety for all road users.



Substandard streets are publicly owned roadways within the City of Austin's jurisdiction that do not meet current City of Austin requirements because they may have pavement widths that are less than 24 feet and typically lack some curb and gutter, drainage, bicycle accommodations, and sidewalk infrastructure. Currently, there are no design or construction funds allocated for Circle S Road improvements, but having a plan ready allows the City to move forward quickly, if/when funding is identified.

Community input about the roadway collected in spring 2018 is contributing to the draft recommendations that will be included in the Preliminary Engineering Report. When these recommendations are developed, they will be shared with the public for another round of feedback.

WE ASKED THE COMMUNITY TO GET INVOLVED

The Circle S Road substandard street project team hosted a public open house on March 6, 2018 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, to share information about the project and collect feedback from the community.

WHAT WE HEARD

A comment form was developed in English and Spanish to collect feedback from the community about priorities for improvements to Circle S Road. Eight comment forms were collected during the input period.

Of the considerations for Circle S Road listed in the comment form, the following categories were the top three listed by respondents:

- Safety
 - Comments included: Need for improved pavement marking, need for illumination, red light running, speeding, and lack of sidewalks.
- Pedestrian accommodations
 - Comments focused on the need for sidewalks, especially due to the large number of walkers.
- Road conditions
 - Comments included: potholes in the road, need for new pavement, and old pavement markings.

Five of the respondents shared their email addresses to receive project updates.

Mapped comments were also collected through the roll plots present at the public meeting. There were 30 comments made with post-it notes. Some of the comment topics from both the comment forms and the roll plots included:

- Pedestrian and sidewalk considerations
- Pedestrian safety
- Driveway and intersection concerns
- Narrow lane width concerns
- Need for traffic calming
- Drainage concerns

SUMMARY – PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

PROMOTION AND MATERIALS

MEETING PROMOTION

- English Flyer
- Spanish Flyer
- English-Spanish Flyer Distribution

MEETING MATERIALS

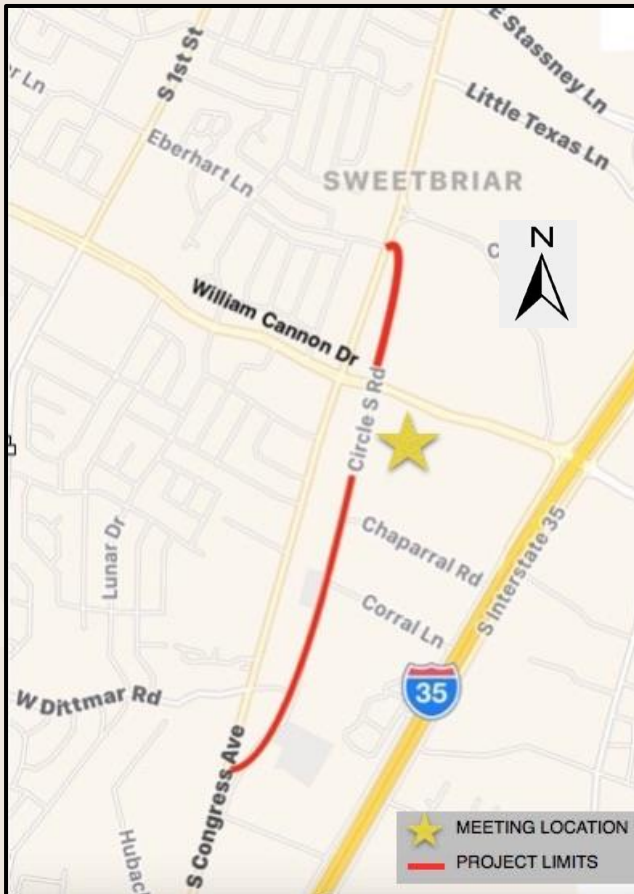
- Exhibit Boards
- English Comment Card/Form

PUBLIC INPUT

- Comment Card/Form results
- Mapped/Roll Plot comments

CIRCLE S RD SUBSTANDARD STREET PROJECT

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Join Us for an Open House

4:30 – 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
6709 Circle S. Rd.
Austin, Texas 78745



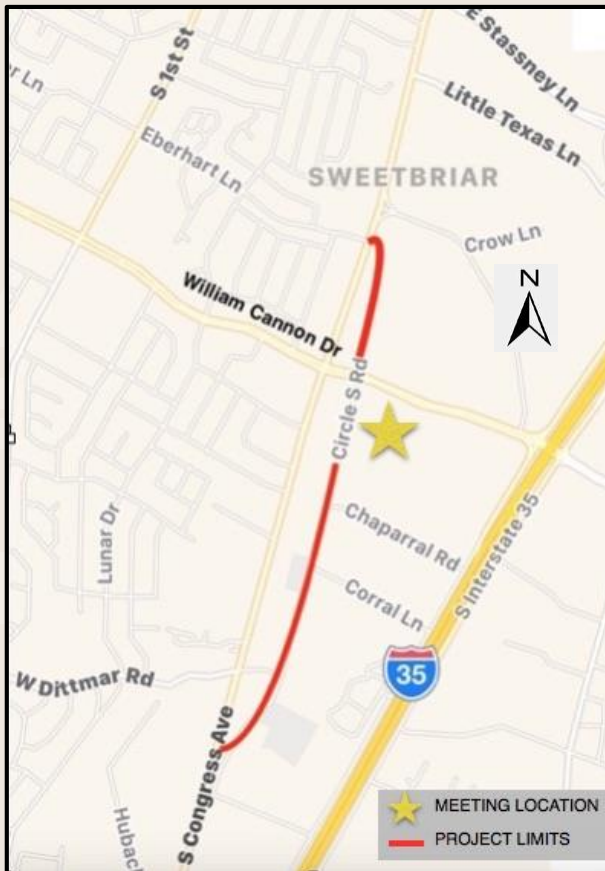
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PROYECTO DE CALLES DE CALIDAD INFERIOR PARA CIRCLE S

La Ciudad de Austin está estudiando Circle S como parte del Bono de Movilidad de 2016 para calles de calidad inferior. Este proyecto evaluará condiciones de la calle, incluyendo tráfico, aceras, bordillos, y más para aumentar la movilidad y seguridad para todos los usuarios de la calle.



Únase a nosotros para una casa abierta
4:30 – 7:30 p.m.

MARTES, 6 de MARZO, 2018

Iglesia Bautista Pleasant Hill
6709 Circle S. Rd.
Austin, Texas 78745

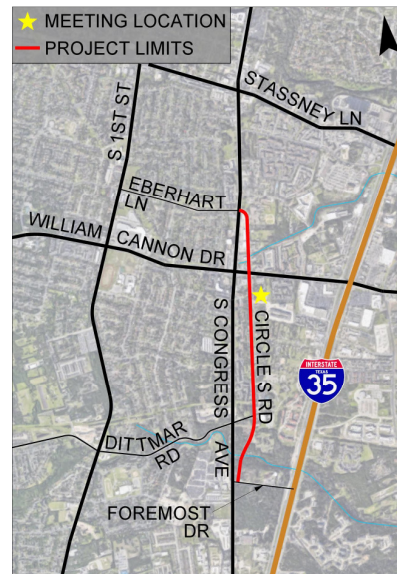
Meeting Promotion - English-Spanish Flyer Distribution

	RESIDENCES					BUSINESSES			
	200	300	400	500	600	7-11 Store			
	202	301	400 B	501	603	El Jalisco Restaurant			
	207	302	401 A	503	607	Jack-in-the Box			
	208	303	401 B	504		Walgreen's			
	209	305	401 C	505		The Thrift Center			
	211		401 D			The Little Darlin			
			401 E			Income Tax			
			401 F			Pleasant Hill Elementary School			
			401 G			Urban Oaks Apartment Complex			
Chaparral Road			401 H			Multiple businesses on Congress Avenue that			
			401 I			back up to Circle S Road between William			
			401 J			Cannon Dr. and Eberhart Lane.			
			401 K						
			403						
			404 A						
			404 B						
			404 C						
			405						
			406						
	208	300	400	504	602				
		306 A	402 A	508	604				
Corral Lane		306 B	402 B		606				
		308 A	402 C		608				
		308 B	402 D						
	6419	6507	6601	6700 A	6800 A	6900 A	7000 A	7100	
	6417	6509	6607	6700 B	6800 B	6900 B	7000 B	7101	
				6702 A	6801	6901	7002 A	7103 A	
				6702 B	6802 A	6902 A	7002 B	7103 B	
				6702 C	6802 B	6902 B	7003	7211	
				6702 D	6803	6903	7004 A		
				6704 A	6804 A	6904 A	7004 B		
				6704 B	6804 B	6904 B	7005		
				6706 A	6805	6904 C	7007		
				6706 B	6806 A	6904 D	7008		
				6708 A	6806 B	6906 A	7009		
Circle S Road				6708 B	6807	6906 B	7012		
				6710 A	6809	6905	7016		
				6710 B		6906 C			
				6725		6906 D			
						6907			
						6908 A			
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						6908 C			
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						6910 A			
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Meeting Materials - Exhibit Boards (1 of 4)

PURPOSE

Identify safety and mobility improvement recommendations along Circle S Road between Eberhart Lane and Foremost Drive to address the substandard elements of the street.

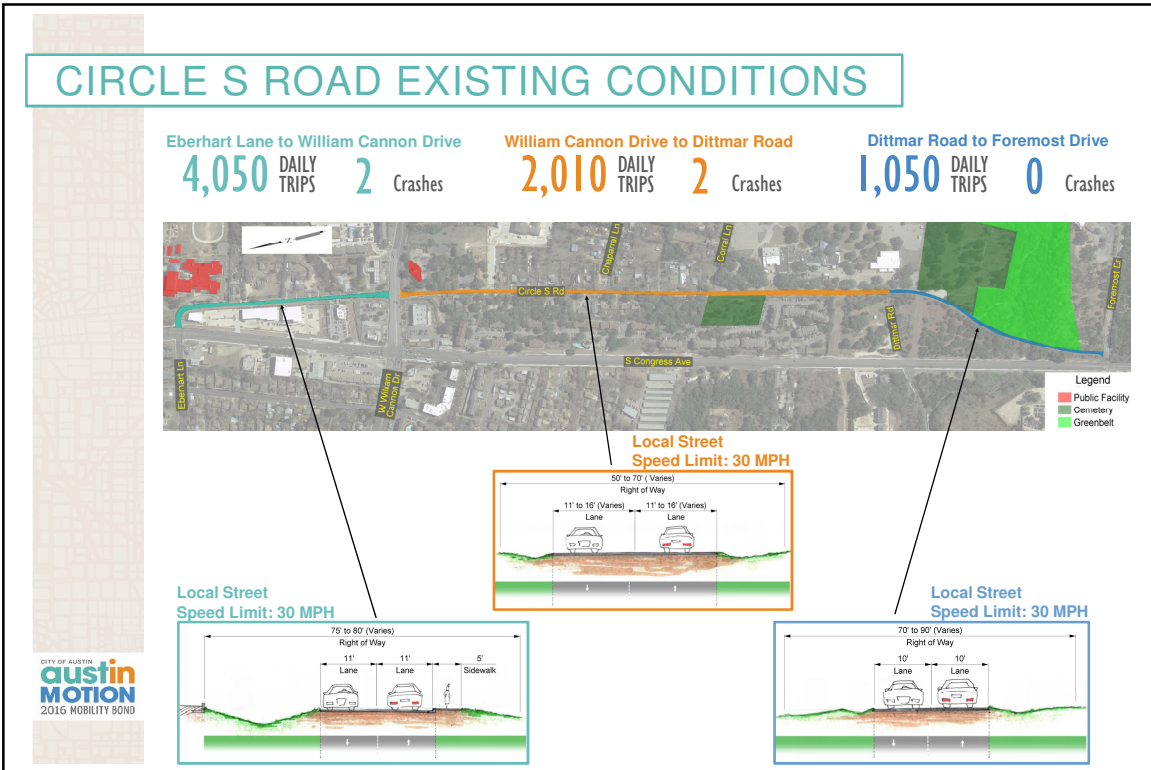


2016 MOBILITY BOND

- **\$720 million for transportation and mobility improvements citywide**
- **Corridor Mobility Program - \$482 million**
- **Regional Mobility Program - \$101 million**
- **Local Mobility Program - \$137 million**
 - Sidewalks - \$37.5 million
 - Safe Routes to School - \$27.5 million
 - Urban Trails - \$26 million
 - Bikeways - \$20 million
 - Intersection Safety/Vision Zero - \$15 million
 - **Substandard Streets/Capital Renewal - \$11 million**

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Meeting Materials - Exhibit Boards (2 of 4)



Meeting Materials - Exhibit Boards (3 of 4)

IMPROVEMENTS UNDER CONSIDERATION



Pedestrian sidewalk improvements



Connection to South Boggy Creek Greenbelt



Travel lane improvements



Closure or one-way conversion south of Dittmar Rd



Drainage improvements



Bicycle improvements




Improve school operations



PROCESS

The 2016 Mobility Bond funded preliminary engineering for Circle S Road. Design/construction funding has not been identified.

- Step 1: Review existing conditions and identify needs based on data and community feedback
- Step 2: Identify possible solutions based on community needs, constraints and opportunities along the road
- Step 3: Refine recommendations along with the community and draft a preliminary engineering report
- Step 4: Publish preliminary engineering report and consider recommendations for future funding opportunities



WINTER 2017/2018

- Project begins
- Collect data on existing conditions

SPRING 2018


- Hold public meeting to gather input
- Analyze public input
- Develop recommendations

SUMMER 2018

- Review design options and impacts
- Share recommendations







FALL 2018

- Hold public meeting to get feedback
- Present the final Preliminary Engineering Report



Meeting Materials - Exhibit Boards (4 of 4)

HOW DO YOU USE CIRCLE S ROAD?

ROAD USE		ADD A DOT FOR EACH THAT APPLIES TO YOU
I drive		
I walk		
I bike		
I go to school		
I use businesses / civic activities (church, cemetery)		
I use for recreation		

Circle S Road Substandard Street Project

In November 2016, Austin voters approved a Mobility Bond to fund efforts to improve mobility and safety around Austin. As part of those improvements, the City of Austin is developing a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) for Circle S Road. The PER will evaluate road conditions for possible future design and construction opportunities to address substandard elements of Circle S Road, such as missing sidewalks, curbs, and drainage elements; with the goal of enhancing safety and mobility for all road users.

We need your help and input. The City of Austin wants to hear from residents and business owners who live, work, play, and go to school along Circle S Road. This will help to explore the possibilities of what may be done, and to inform the development of the PER. Once recommendations are drafted, we will come back to the community for your feedback before the PER is finalized.

Is there anything you think we should know about Circle S Road? (Select the category that best represents your response – select all that apply.)

- Road conditions
- Drainage/ponding
- Pedestrian accommodations
- ADA compliant facilities
- Safety
- Public transit
- Bicycle accommodations
- Parking
- Tree preservation/maintenance
- Other _____

Please share your email address if you wish to receive updates for (Select all that apply.)

- Circle S Road
- 2016 Mobility Bond Program

Email _____

Public Input - Comment Card Results

SUMMARY OF CIRCLE S ROAD OPEN HOUSE COMMENT FORMS March 6, 2018		
CATEGORY	COMMENTS RECEIVED	VERBATUM COMMENTS
Road Conditions	7	Pot holes occur sometimes; want to keep Circle S a two-way; need new pavement/markings; need new pavement markings;
Drainage/Ponding	1	
Pedestrian Accommodations	6	Sidewalks are so needed for safe dog walking; sidewalk (lots of walkers on Circle S); need sidewalks (lots of walkers);
ADA Compliant Facilities	1	
Safety	8	Cars moving west on William Cannon run the light too often at high speeds. This is scary & dangerous. Maybe adjust timing of lights.; Sidewalks - new markings; need more street lights; can't see the street lights; need sidewalks;
Public Transit	1	
Bicycle Accommodations	2	No Bicycle lanes; please no;
Parking	2	
Tree Preservation/Maintenance	2	
Other	1	I wish our council member lived on/near this road so that something could be done about it. WAY OVERDUE. Please use the \$ we voted in to take care of us.; speeding is an issue, maybe speed bumps, create an entrance to apt. complex Urban Oasis that goes to William Cannon as its causing congestion at Circle S and William Cannon, make Circle S one-way southbound from Ditmar to Foremost; Traffic Island, sidewalks, big lane, Traffic signs - stripping, drainage needed; Bike lanes - Narrow Street, Loghting for street, Loght on Foremost & Congress or Stop 4 way signs; Driveway on Circle S safety from School to Circle "S"; Timing on lights Circle S;

Public Input - Roll Plot Comments

Circle S Rd Public Meeting Roll Plot Comment Log (Date: March 6, 2018)

Comment Number	Comment Verbatim	Comment Location	Notes
1	Cars and motorcycles gather in this parking lot at night, race down street at night, noisy	Commercial parking lot across from elementary school	
2	Traffic calming - speed bumps	In front of elementary school	Resident wanted speed bumps on Circle S by the elementary school
3	School traffic blocks private driveway (6415 address)	Private driveway accessing 6415 Circle S Rd (next to elementary school)	
4	Drivers run light on William Cannon. Check signal timing WB approach	Southwest corner of William Cannon/Circle S intersection	
5	Traffic backs up in NB direction at William Cannon!	Northeast corner of William Cannon/Circle S intersection	
6	Can't see up hill, sidewalk	Southeast corner of William Cannon/Circle S intersection	The second half of this comment is referring to the desire for sidewalk south along Circle S Rd
7	Need striping, cars in right turn lane go straight, hard to exit library	Southeast corner of William Cannon/Circle S intersection	Resident commented that vehicles in the WB "right turn lane" will make a through movement though it is not a through lane. They also commented that traffic backs up making it difficult to exit the library parking lot
8	Missing sidewalks	West side of Circle S south of William Cannon and north of Urban Oaks driveway	
9	Make apartment complex entrance to William Cannon. It make Circle S too congested at William Cannon	Just east of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church	Resident commented that they had been promised the Urban Oaks driveway would access William Cannon directly and were frustrated it only accessed Circle S instead
10	We were promised the apts would exit onto WM Cannon	Just east of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church	Same concern as comment #9
11	Circle S entrance from Ap B is no bueno	Just south of Urban Oaks driveway	Resident did not like the Urban Oaks driveway connecting to Circle S Rd (same resident as comment #10, they were upset about the driveway not connecting to William Cannon)
12	Drop off from street to shoulder is extreme and makes it unsafe	Just west of Urban Oaks driveway	Referring to the steep roadway side slopes on the west side of Circle S
13	There is no smooth safe shoulder that is safe to use	West side of Circle S between Urban Oaks driveway and Chaparral Ln	Referring to pedestrians trying to walk along the road
14	Lots of people walk along Circle S, particularly from William Cannon to Dittmar	West side of Circle S between Urban Oaks driveway and Chaparral Ln	
15	People speed down Chaparral & Circle S	On Chaparral Ln	
16	Water flow down driveways	West side of Circle S across from Chaparral Ln	Resident commented that water flows directly down their driveway when it rains
17	Sidewalk, wider lanes	West side of Circle S between Chaparral Ln and Corral Ln	Resident commented that they would like sidewalk to be added along here
18	Add traffic islands at Chaparral and Corral?	West side of Circle S between Chaparral Ln and Corral Ln	Resident also drew a picture of a roundabout to demonstrate idea
19	Need lighting	On Corral Ln	
20	Cops speeding regularly	West side of Circle S between Corral Ln and Dittmar Rd	
21	Do not want bike lanes on road - no room for it. More street lights	West side of Circle S between Corral Ln and Dittmar Rd	
22	Circle S Rd is too narrow. If a car is parked (visiting) in front of houses or trash man is on road, the road becomes a one way street	West side of Circle S between Corral Ln and Dittmar Rd	
23	Hard turn onto Dittmar (right turn from Circle S), visibility issues, dangerous for people walking, narrow - not always enough room to drive on to Dittmar	Northwest corner of Dittmar/Circle S intersection	
24	Make Dittmar one way west	On Dittmar Rd west of Circle S Rd	Resident wanted to convert Dittmar between Circle S Rd and S Congress Ave into a one way WB road
25	Entrance notification if actually a greenbelt	On Circle S between Dittmar and bridge just north of Foremost Dr	Resident wanted a sign denoting the entrance to the public greenbelt if there is actually an entrance
26	Uncomfortable to walk through here, either get poison ivy or hit by a car, hobo camp near bridge	Bridge just north of Foremost Dr	
27	Please widen bridge and widen the lane. Please keep as two way (important) street (area by bridge)	Bridge just north of Foremost Dr	Resident emphasized that they wanted the bridge to be a two-way bridge, not one-way as it is now
28	One way SB is better than one way NB if you have to	Bridge just north of Foremost Dr	Resident was stating that if we convert the bridge into a one-way bridge, they would prefer to keep the SB option
29	Shorten gap ground area at Foremost Dr, Circle S and S Congress. We need a better view to go south on Congress from Foremost. Also need better view exiting Congress onto Foremost to Circle S	Intersection of Foremost Dr and S Congress Ave	Resident was making the point that they cannot see far enough to turn safely between S Congress, Foremost, and Circle S. They included a drawing showing the south side of Foremost as is but extending the north side of Foremost to make the intersection wider in this area.
30	Bad turn (Congress to Foremost to Circle S), usually avoid taking this route	Intersection of Foremost Dr and S Congress Ave	