

ZPVP - ATD Meeting Notes

Attending

PARD

DW

ATD

Discussion

- Confirmed bond priorities would not align with Stratford realignment
- Realignment could still be included in the plan as a phased approach
 - Near-term without realignment and long-term with
 - OR have the ideal as realigned, but detail the alternative approach if that is not realized
- Possibility of traffic circle (or signal) at Stratford if alignment remains
 - Peppering Barton Springs with signals would get expensive
 - Have previously discussed ingress/egress at underground parking ground
 - 2 egresses needed - if not for everyday use, then for 1 reserved for large events
 - If Barton Springs configuration is multi-lane, ATD preference for signal over roundabouts in terms of pedestrian safety
 - Stratford currently has signal. Roundabout would not be enough of a mobility improvement for ATD bond package
 - Not much of an issue at signal in terms bottlenecking
 - Topographical challenges for putting roundabout at current Stratford/Barton Springs location
- Grade separated crossing at MoPac/Barton Springs over roundabout or signal
 - Yield rates very low for multilane crossing (~25-30ft) and traffic generally 40-50mph
 - Though roundabout could be used to calm traffic on Barton Springs, not very high comfort level for pedestrian crossing
- Possible lane reduction on Barton Springs related crash safety response
 - Possible roundabout at Azie Morton with lane reduction, on-street parking on Barton Springs, and flexibility

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- ATD mentioned that Stratford realignment is not a bond priority for them. Would require PARD or partner to help fund.
- Realignment of Stratford could be a later phase, but not ATD bond funded.
- Traffic Roundabout vs Traffic Signal at Barton Springs Rd @ Stratford
 - Need to further study Barton Springs Rd @ Stratford intersection to see what can be accommodated. Space constraints are also a factor.
 - Traffic signal vs Roundabout? Traffic signal cost is lower cost.
 - How does proposed garage egress function for regular visitation and events.
 - If Barton Springs Rd stays multi lane cross-section, then ATD's preference is a traffic signal. ATD not convinced a roundabout provides adequate ped safety.
 - Incorporating a roundabout is challenging due to topo on both sides of road.
 - ATD would like to keep a single lane option of Barton Springs Rd on the table.
- Possibility for a grade separated crossing @ MoPac & Barton Springs Rd in lieu of traffic signal or roundabout.
 - ATD acknowledges roundabouts can slow/calm traffic down. Ped safety and comfort level are not definite.
 - ATD may have interest in single lane option for Barton Springs Rd in lieu of the recent accident on restaurant row.
 - Possible roundabout at Barton Springs Rd and Azie Morton w/single lane cross section. Parallel parking on both sides of Barton Springs could be a possibility. ATD could possibly fund via bonds.

ZPVP - TxDOT/CTRMA Meeting Notes

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Discussion

- Width of green median space=36 ft (edge of shoulder to shoulder)
 - Could accommodate ~10/11 ft lanes and 8 ft S.U.P.
- Underground
 - Costly and technical challenge
 - Would need to be capped section for MoPac which would make this a tunnel
 - Different requirements with Fire Dept., etc.
 - Who would maintain?
 - A lot of entities involved - TxDot/CTRMA on upper/MoPac, City for Stratford
- Closing
 - Foresee regular check-ins so opportunities are not missed
 - Next check-in aimed for January

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Discussion

- CTRMA doesn't expect full reconstruction on this section of MoPac.
 - No firm timeline on MoPac construction. Several years out.
 - Width of median is 36'.
 - Should be able to accommodate 10-11'
- Going underground with Stratford (tunneling) w/in MoPac ROW.
 - Would require being capped (need ventilation) and is costly and challenging.
 - AFD requirements.
 - Who would maintain Stratford? COA maintained now.
 - CTRMA/State is not planning to deconstruct any existing supports over Zilker Park.
- Try to meet again in Jan to discuss opportunities.

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Re: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Eckard, Megan

Mon 8/29/2022 04:06 PM

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Cc: Montes, Gregory <Gregory.Montes@austintexas.gov>; Schofield, Mike <Mike.Schofield@austintexas.gov>; Stone, Cody <Cody.Stone@austintexas.gov>

It is much appreciated, Anna. I just forwarded the invite to you both and I'll give the CTRMA team a heads up.

Best regards,

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Sent: Monday, August 29, 2022 03:57 PM

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Subject: RE: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Hi Megan – could you please forward the CTRMA coordination meeting invite to me and Cody Stone? At least one of us will attend the meeting tomorrow and brief Richard afterwards.

Thanks,
Anna



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Subject: Re: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Hi Laura,

I failed to circle back on this at the end of today's meeting. Has an ATD point of contact/representative been identified to attend our CTRMA coordination meeting (Tuesday, 8/30, 11 a.m.)?

MoPac South Project Team's request:

In their Open House 5 comment letter, the City identified Robert Spillar as the point of contact to coordinate between all City departments and efforts. We expect that role would now shift to Richard Mendoza as the interim Director. We'd like to make sure that Richard, as that point of contact is invited to and if possible, present at these coordination meetings.

Thank you,

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Subject: Re: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Laura,

Thank you, I appreciate that. Just let me know and I will forward the invite to the designated representative. The meeting was just confirmed for Tuesday, 8/30, 11 am-Noon.

Best,

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Subject: RE: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Thanks, Megan

We'll be happy to support you at the CTRMA meeting and by way of this email, I'm looping in Anna Martin regarding the CTRMA contact. I'll talk more with her and we'll circle back with you on that.

Laura

From: Eckard, Megan <Megan.Eckard@austintexas.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 5:14 PM
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Cc: Montes, Gregory <Gregory.Montes@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Re: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Hello Laura,

I am also coordinating a meeting with CTRMA to follow our meeting with you all. We have met with them throughout the process coordinating it relates to their MoPac South project area. Charlotte Gilpin with the CTRMA consulting team had the below comment. Please let me know your thoughts on including ATD in that meeting and if that point of contact is within this team or directly through Richard Mendoza.

The CTRMA project has not had any design movement since our discussions in April. However, we are interested to meet and hear how the City considered the constraints we outlined over the last several meetings.

In their Open House 5 comment letter, the City identified Robert Spillar as the point of contact to coordinate between all City departments and efforts. We expect that role would now shift to Richard Mendoza as the interim Director. We'd like to make sure that Richard, as that point of contact is invited to and if possible, present at these coordination meetings.

Thank you,

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Cc: Montes, Gregory <Gregory.Montes@austintexas.gov>
Subject: RE: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Thanks, Megan – Super helpful.

Let's go with Friday 8/26 at 3pm.

Thank you!

Laura

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Subject: Re: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Good morning,

I've provided some extended availability below. Please let me know which is preferred, or if there is a time 8/17-8/19 that works, I can look at those.

- Mon 8/22, 9-noon or 1-5
- Thurs 8/25, 1-5
- Fri 8/26, 3-5

Thanks,

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Cc: Wilkes, Nathan <Nathan.Wilkes@austintexas.gov>; Montes, Gregory <Gregory.Montes@austintexas.gov>

Subject: Re: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Hello Laura,

Unfortunately, our timeline is very tight to adjust the draft plan, so the earliest possible date in August is ideal. Following this meeting, we need to meet with CTRMA, review internally, and share with the project's Technical Advisory Group (tentatively within August).

Thank you,

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Subject: RE: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Megan –

Can we look at 8/17 18 or 19? Nathan is back then.

Laura

From: Eckard, Megan <Megan.Eckard@austintexas.gov>

Sent: Monday, July 25, 2022 1:09 PM

To: Austin, Lee <Lee.Austin@austintexas.gov>; Dierenfield, Laura <Laura.Dierenfield@austintexas.gov>

Cc: Wilkes, Nathan <Nathan.Wilkes@austintexas.gov>; Montes, Gregory <Gregory.Montes@austintexas.gov>

Subject: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Hello Laura and Lee,

Our team would like to have a follow-up meeting to our internal chat last week. This would include our consultants, Design Workshop. I realize the timing is not great with some of your team out of the office in the next few weeks; additionally, Claire Hempel is out this week. Please let me know if any of the below times may work for an ATD representative to meet with us.

- Aug 2nd: 2:30-4 pm
- Aug 4th: 1-2 pm
- Aug 5th: 10:30 am-5 pm
- Aug 8th: 9-11 am, 2-3 pm
- Aug 9th: 11 am-12 pm
- Aug 10th: 10:30-11:30 am, 12-1 pm
- Aug 11th: 9-10 am, 1-2 pm
- Aug 12th: 11 am-5 pm

Thank you,

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Re: PARD/CTRMA - Zilker Park Vision Plan

Eckard, Megan

Mon 8/29/2022 04:18 PM

To: April Sandoval <april.sandoval@txdot.gov>; cgilpin@kfriese.com <cgilpin@kfriese.com>

Good afternoon,

I am following up on Charlotte's request to include an ATD point of contact in our coordination meetings. ATD Assistant Director Anna Martin and/or Cody Stone will attend our meeting tomorrow and brief Interim Director Richard Mendoza after.

See you all then.

Thanks,

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From: Eckard, Megan <Megan.Eckard@austintexas.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 05:18 PM

To: April Sandoval <April.Sandoval@txdot.gov>

Subject: Re: PARD/CTRMA - Zilker Park Vision Plan

Thank you, April. Our consultant team shared the calendar invite with those who attended our last meeting. Please forward to anyone else who should be included.

We have been coordinating with a specific group of ATD folks and will be meeting with them shortly before this meeting. I've reached out to them regarding Charlotte's comment to include a point of contact.

Best,

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From: April Sandoval <April.Sandoval@txdot.gov>

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Subject: RE: PARD/CTRMA - Zilker Park Vision Plan

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Please see Charlotte's response:

Tuesday August 30th 10-1 pm works best for the RMA schedules.

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meetings.

In their Open House 5 comment letter, the City identified Robert Spillar as the point of contact to coordinate between all City departments and efforts. We expect that role would now shift to Richard Mendoza as the interim Director. We'd like to make sure that Richard, as that point of contact is invited to and if possible, present at these coordination meetings.

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Subject: Re: PARD/CTRMA - Zilker Park Vision Plan

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Wonderful, thank you.

Best,

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From: April Sandoval <April.Sandoval@txdot.gov>

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To: Eckard, Megan <Megan.Eckard@austintexas.gov>

Subject: RE: PARD/CTRMA - Zilker Park Vision Plan

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Hi Megan,

Any of those times will work for TxDOT. I'll let you know what RMA says.

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Good morning April,

Our planning team would like to circle back with TxDot & CTRMA since our last discussion (April) and discuss the draft plan. Please let me know if any of the below times may work for your group.

- Mon 8/29, 8-1, 2-5
- Tues 8/30, 10-1, 3-4
- Wed 8/31, 12-2

Thank you,

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RE: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Claire Hempel <chempel@designworkshop.com>

Tue 8/2/2022 08:47 AM

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Hi Megan,

We can push out longer. If I'm reading this thread correctly, we should look to the week of 8/22. You can use these dates for any other upcoming meetings we need to get on the calendar. Here is our availability:

- Mon 8/22, 9-noon or 1-5
- Thurs 8/25, 1-5
- Fri 8/26, 3-5
- Mon 8/29, any time
- Tues 8/30, 10-1, 3-4
- Wed 8/31, 12-2
- Thurs 9/1, 9-10, 1-5
- Fri 9/2, 11-2, 4-5

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Sent: Monday, August 1, 2022 2:54 PM

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Cc: Soliz, Ricardo <Ricardo.Soliz@austintexas.gov>

Subject: Fw: Zilker Park Vision Plan - ATD discussion

Hi Claire,

Please let me know your thoughts on the timing of the ATD meeting. There was push back to the dates I provided and no reply to my last response. Is 8/12 the latest it should be? We do not want this meeting to negatively impact the overall timeline, so we can push to meet with Laura alone and/or Lee. Can you also please provide CTRMA availability to follow this meeting?

Nathan out 8/1-8/16

Lee out 8/10-8/17

Greg likely out through this week, potentially longer

Thank you,

Megan Eckard

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