



NOTICE OF MEETING

COLLIN COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

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**STACEY KEMP
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Notice is hereby given that the Collin County Planning Board will meet on **Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.** at the **Collin County Commissioners Courtroom, 2300 Bloomdale Road, 4th Floor, McKinney TX 75071** for the purpose of

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order;
2. Approval of April 2021, Minutes;
3. Reinstate 2020 Chair as 2021 Chair;
4. Update on TxDOT projects-Jennifer Vorster;
5. Update on US 380 Freeway;
6. Update on Corridor Study for FM546/CR 400;
7. Update on SE Collin County Future Mobility Study;
8. Update on Development of Outer Loop;
9. Future Agenda Items / Announcements;
10. Date of next meeting;
11. Adjourn

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the above notice of meeting was filed and posted with the County Clerk at the Collin County Jack Hatchell Administration Building, McKinney, Texas on the 30th day of August 2021, per the official time/date stamp of the County Clerk's Office.

Dawn Redwine
Planning Board



**Stacey Kemp, County Clerk
Collin County, Texas**

By: _____

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Deputy

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**COLLIN COUNTY
PLANNING BOARD
Minutes, April 1, 2021**

1. Call Meeting to Order

Sean Merrell called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. at Jack Hatchell Administration Building, Commissioners Court room, McKinney, Texas. The following members were present in person: Bill Mills, Bill Cox, Mark Quinn, Sammy Yang, Sean Merrell, Scott Manis, and Doug Reece; present via WebEX: Shep Stahel and Steven Wright; not present: Joe Helmberger, Rusty Glover, Bill Moore, Buddy Dean, Steve Terrell, and Derek Baker. Collin County staff present: Clarence Daugherty and Dawn Redwine. Guests: none.

Sean Merrell moderated the meeting.

Sean suggested that everyone go around the room and introduce themselves, and so they did.

2. Approval of Sept 24, 2020 minutes

Bill Mills made a motion to approve. Two questions were asked: 1. Who called the meeting to order? 2. What was approved on minute's item #2? Both questions were answered and Doug seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

3. Elect 2021 Vice Chairman

Doug made a motion to keep the current (2020) Chair and Vice Chair as is until the end of December 2021. Scott noted that the election of Chair is not on the agenda and therefore cannot be voted on. Doug amended his motion to keep Vice Chair as himself until the end of 2021. Bill seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

4. US 380 Freeway

1. County urged TxDot to develop a freeway in the 380 corridor and so a feasibility study was complete on May 6, 2019.
2. The county is attempting to acquire land ahead of TxDot in Frisco, Princeton, and along Bloomdale in McKinney in order to prevent development from closing the corridor.
3. TxDOT is conducting environmental studies for 5 segments.
4. A map was shown for the recommended alignment and Clarence stated that the county is already buying land from Denton to Coit and on the East side of Princeton and the county just received approved to start purchasing land along Bloomdale.
5. The county is not buying land where the alignment could change.
6. Houses have been built in Princeton in the proposed corridor, so the county is trying to avoid that in other areas.

7. The question was asked if the County could use eminent domain on the properties if needed. Clarence said that the County will not because the County has to state the purpose of the land in Eminent Domain situations and if they state it is for transportation, TxDOT cannot then buy it from the County. Clarence also pointed out that he has learned that there is a high risk of jeopardizing the use of Federal funds on the project if land is acquired using eminent domain prior to the projects being environmentally cleared. TxDOT can only purchase land after the project has been environmentally cleared.
8. It was asked that since the map is dated 2019, how realistic is it? Clarence answered that it is the most recent one on paper and public meetings are being held currently by the cities for their input during the current environmental studies.
9. It was asked how does the map coordinate with Denton and Hunt counties? Clarence answered that Denton is behind us and is just doing their feasibility study now and will decide if they want it to run along the current 380, the Outer Loop, or Frontier.
10. It was asked if the freeway would cross the Denton/Collin County line in the same location that the current US 380 is located. Clarence said it would.
11. It was asked what the timeframe is for 380 to be complete. Clarence answered that it will take at least 18-24 months for the environmental impact studies to be completed but that the actual development of the freeway will be a minimum of ten years.

5. Corridor Study for FM 546/CR 400

1. Clarence presented the slides that were used at a recent public meeting on March 25, 2021.
2. The project is to determine the alignment of a new thoroughfare from the end of Harry McKillop to US 380 on the east side of Princeton.
3. Clarence explained that the public meeting required citizens to register for time slots to prevent too many people attending at the same time. He also explained that all the information was posted on a website created for this project.
4. Clarence explained that the project was split into two parts. The east segment is not on TxDOT roadways and there is much shorter roadway for which an alignment has to be determined; therefore, the east segment has been worked on first.
5. Several possible alignment alternatives were determined. The consultant, BGE, evaluated all alternatives to determine the recommended alignment.
6. A question was asked about the size of the road. Clarence answered that it will be designed to be 4 lanes when first constructed and then can be expanded to 6 lanes if needed in the future.
7. The west segment, Phase II, will use FM 546 for a portion of the thoroughfare.
8. The roadway will have urban curb/gutter design and be concrete.
9. It was asked if there would be bike lanes. Clarence said they are not looking to do that. Although TxDOT currently requires that, the county does not and TxDOT has started to move away from this requirement.

10. It was asked if the land has been annexed. It was answered that some of the land is already in cities but much of it is in the unincorporated areas and is county property.
11. The County is giving citizens 2 weeks to submit comments. When the review of the comments are complete, if there is no substantial opposition to the recommended alignment, the recommendation will be taken to Commissioners Court for approval of the alignment. The Court's approval would then allow the consultant to begin developing the schematic for Phase I.
12. A question was asked about how this thoroughfare would be coordinated with the proposed Sp 399 freeway around the airport. Clarence explained how the airport affects the alignment and that coordination with TxDOT and their consultant has already begun and will continue through the development of Phase II.
13. The County is providing financial assistance to fill land so the airport can extend the runway partially to the north and leave room on the south end for the freeway since the City of McKinney and Collin County are requesting that the freeway be built around the south and east sides of the airport.
14. It was asked if this will connect to the freeway; and Clarence stated that it would. The freeway will connect to the future US 380 freeway north of the airport.

6. SE Mobility Study

1. Clarence explained that a mobility study is being conducted in the south east part of the County, because Collin County doesn't have an adequate freeway system to support 3 million people.
2. The North Central Texas Council of Governments (COG) agreed to develop a north-south freeway corridor in the southeast part of the County.
3. A north-south freeway was considered west of Lake Lavon through Fairview and Lucas, but that determined to not be the best alignment.
4. An alignment for a freeway was also considered through the peninsula of Lake Lavon and through Wylie. A tremendous amount of public opposition resulted and the Wylie City Council passed a resolution that there will be no freeways in Wylie.
5. COG dropped the idea of a freeway and concentrated on improving connections of major thoroughfares to attempt to move the traffic that would have been handled by a freeway.
6. Collin County decided to approach the southeast transportation need from a different direction.
7. The County has hired the engineering firm, Burns & McDonnell to conduct a mobility study with the help of modeling done by Jacobs Engineering for the County and with the help of modeling and planning done by COG.
8. Phase I is a public involvement effort to provide information to the public about transportation needs resulting from growth in the County. There will be no lines on maps presented during this phase in order to get the public to focus on the general future transportation challenge. The objective will be to get the

public to agree that we have to do something to prevent severe congestion in the future.

9. Phase II will be analysis to see where roads, perhaps including a freeway, need to be added to the County's transportation system. They will meet with surrounding counties to see what their plans are and coordinate those plans.
10. A map was shown with proposed roadway and population estimates that came from a variety of studies. The map also showed the projected growth.
11. They will be talking to the cities to find out what the land is planned to be used for currently.
12. They are studying where people are coming from and going to ("origin and destination" studies). This is done by collecting data from cell phone pings.
13. More information can be found on CCFutureMobility.com
14. It was asked if the water planning was still keeping up. Clarence answered that North TX Municipal Water District is saying they have adequate plans. They are building a new lake in East Texas and a water treatment plant in Leonard.

7. Future Agenda Items / Announcements

1. An update on the Collin County Outer Loop was requested.
 - a. Clarence gave a brief overview that it is 55 miles broken into 5 segments.
 - b. Seg 3-all ROW from Denton to FM 543 has been purchased and we are buying land to US 75 now.
 - c. Seg 1 – all ROW was purchased long ago.
 - d. A service road from US 75 to the DNT should be complete within 3 years.
 - e. South service road on DNT to Preston is complete.
2. Reinstate current Chair, Sean, for the remainder of the 2021 year.
3. Instead of having a May meeting, it was suggested that the board attend the SE Mobility Study In-Person Public Meeting in Lavon at the Community Center Gym on May 6, 2021 from 6:00-8:00pm.

8. Adjourn

Sean made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 and was seconded by Bill Mills.