

## MEETING SUMMARY

### NE Loop 410 and I-35 Regional Center Planning Team Meeting #8 (Mobility I)

**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, November 6

**Time:** 7:45 AM – 9:45 AM

**Location:** Wayland Baptist University, I-35 Frontage Rd., SATX 78233

**Attendees:**

*Daniel Worden, TXDOT*

*Greg Reininger, TCI*

*Jay Renkins, MIG*

*Karen Bishop, SARA*

*Sidra Schimelpfening, COSA*

*Steven Silver, CRIT*

*Heather Yost, COSA*

*Erika Ragsdale, COSA*

*Scott Wolston, Capitol Aggregates*

*James Antenen, Wayland Baptist University*

*Krystin Ramirez, MIG*

*Kevin Tilbury, Cambridge Systematics*

*Christina Castano, VIA*

**Meeting Objective**

The purpose of Planning Team Meeting #8 was to begin the discussion on mobility within the NE Loop 410 and I-35 Regional Center and have the Planning Team participate in an exercise identifying frequent route origins and destinations within the Plan area.

**Meeting Format**

Heather Yost, COSA Project Manager for the NE Loop 410 and I-35 Plan, gave an update on the planning process schedule. Kevin Tilbury, Cambridge Systematics, presented a PowerPoint that defined the concept of mobility and mobility choices. Greg Reininger, TCI, explained how the mobility project process occurs in San Antonio. Kevin then went on to provide an overview of existing mobility conditions in the Plan area. This section of the presentation examined functional classification of roadways; motor vehicle traffic; sidewalk availability; transit service; bike networks; freight networks; pedestrian, bicycle, and motor vehicle crash data; planned roadway, transit, pedestrian, and bike projects; and the Major Thoroughfare Plan within Regional Center and the larger, regional context. Issues and opportunities related to mobility were also discussed with the Planning Team. These were identified at a prior Mobility Summit with staff from the Planning Department, TCI, VIA, and TXDOT as well as feedback received from the public at Community Meeting (September 19, 2019).

After the presentation, the Planning Team participated in an activity to 1) identify key origins and destinations in and around the Regional Center and 2) identify preferred or missing mobility linkages between origins/destinations.

**Activity Summary**

Three maps were used in the activity: Regional Center Motor Vehicles and Freight; Cycling and Micromobility; and People, Pedestrians, and Transit. Planning Team members were asked to place colored dot stickers on the maps to show where multimodal connections are missing or needed.

- **Blue = Walk/Pedestrian**
- **Green = Bicycle**
- **Red = Transit**
- **Black = Auto**



**MOTOR VEHICLES AND FREIGHT MAP**



Seven areas where better auto/vehicle connectors could be improved or created were identified (as shown by black sticker dots on the map). They are:

- On Perrin Beitel across from the Sungate neighborhood
- Within in the Sungate neighborhood (street layout/better connectivity)
- Thousand Oaks between Wurzbach Parkway and I-35 (traffic backs up into Morningside/Pan Am neighborhood)
- Wurzbach Parkway and I-35 (strong support for a Wurzbach/I-35 connector)
- Hills of Park North neighborhood (street layout/better connectivity)
- New exit for Wurzbach Parkway and Nacogoches/Bulverde Rd. near Capitol Aggregates
- Wurzbach Pkwy. and Wetmore Rd.



CYCLING AND MICROMOBILITY MAP



The Planning Team discussed how trail/greenway linkages, in general, need to be expanded throughout the Regional Center. The suggested linkages (drawn in green marker on the map) follow the routes of existing City rights-of-way. Several areas for improved or new bicycle connections were identified. Specific areas where the group expressed a need for better bike/trail linkages are:

- Through the Austin Hwy/NE Loop 410 Focus Area
- At Perrin Homestead Park (just west of the Regional Center along Perrin Beitel)
- Randolph Blvd. and vicinity of VIA Park and Ride station
- Vicinity of Capitol Little League Fields (links to nearby Lady Bird Johnson Park and Salado Creek Greenway)



PEOPLE, PEDESTRIANS, AND TRANSIT MAP



The Planning Team discussed the desire for several pedestrian connections along Perrin Beitel to create safer crossings. Other areas pedestrian connections are desired include along any future greenway trails near the Capitol Ball Fields and any future greenway expansion projects connecting Beitel Creek to the Salado Creek Trail. There was also discussion regarding possibly relocating the VIA transfer station that is currently located off Uhr Lane and Naco Pass to make it a more integrated, visible part of the community. Better pedestrian connections are also desired near the VIA Randolph Park and Ride.

**NEXT STEPS:**

Mobility discussions will continue during Planning Team Meeting #10. Planning Team Meeting #9 will focus on infrastructure and amenities and any mobility-related amenities will be included into Planning Team Meeting #10.

**Planning Team Meeting #9:** Thursday, December 12, 2019, 7:45 – 9:45 AM, Wayland Baptist University, I-35 Frontage Rd., SATX 78233

**Planning Team Meeting #10:** Week of January 13<sup>th</sup>

Meeting summaries and presentations will be available on the sub area plan website:

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