## Memorandum



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To Trinity River Corridor Project Committee Members:

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## SUBJECT Cedar Crest / West Dallas Gateway

Over the past year, the Dallas CityDesign Studio has been working with the community to develop conceptual ideas for both the Cedar Crest Bridge and the West Dallas Gateway. The Trinity Committee was briefed on both of these items last fall. Since that time, the Studio refined the scope of both of these projects and undertaken the consultant selection process.

There were 13 respondents interviewed for the Cedar Crest Bridge project. Along with the anticipated pedestrian and bicycle enhancements to the bridge, the City has augmented the original \$2.8 million project with \$2.5 million from 1998 Trinity Parkway funds to expand the scope to include vehicular access to the floodway and pedestrian and bicycle connections to Moore Park. This addition to the scope will help to solidify the bridge as a key linkage from the Martin Luther King Boulevard Corridor to the amenities within the Trinity River Corridor. Staff is continuing to work with the highest ranked responder through the negotiation process in order to finalize the scope and fee, and the item will be scheduled for Council action once this has been completed. Public Works and Transportation will manage the design process.

There is also an agenda item on City Council's May 25<sup>th</sup> agenda to approve a contract in the amount of \$287,774 for the design of the West Dallas Gateway at the foot of the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge. Of the nine respondents interviewed, the firm of Wallace, Roberts and Todd was determined to be the most advantageous, and staff is recommending that they are awarded the design contract for this gateway. The scope of the project includes continued community involvement into the design process as well as peer review that will add to the design dialogue surrounding this project. Project management of this contract will be undertaken by Trinity Watershed Management.

Both projects will build upon and improve the conceptual ideas developed with the community by the Dallas CityDesign Studio. Along with the community input and peer review components of the design phase, the Trinity River Corridor Project Committee will briefed for input and guidance into the design process for both projects. Each represents an exciting opportunity to increase and improve access to the Trinity River Corridor and existing or planned amenities.

Please contact me if you have questions.

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