#### Memorandum



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To Trinity River Corridor Project Committee Members:

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#### SUBJECT Sylvan Avenue Bridge Public Meeting

A meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, October 7, 2010, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., to bring information to the public about the proposed Sylvan Avenue Bridge replacement project. The meeting will be held at the West Dallas Municipal Center, 2828 Fish Trap Rd., Dallas, TX 75212.

The meeting will be an open house format, which means there will not be a formal presentation or public speaking opportunities, and will include exhibits of the new bridge and information about schedule and detours during construction. The consultant team of HNTB will be in attendance to answer any questions, along with Texas Department of Transportation and City staff. The attached flyer will also be provided to the public at the meeting.

Following consultation between TxDOT ENV and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), it was determined another public meeting would be necessary to inform the public and receive comments on the decision by the City of Dallas to close Sylvan Avenue and thus access to Trammell Crow Park and the boat ramp for the estimated one year construction duration. The decision to close Sylvan Avenue was made after the previous public meeting held in November 2007.

The current estimated schedule for implementation is:

Complete design and construction drawings Final approval of environmental document TxDOT Construction Letting Start Construction Complete construction October 2010 March 2011 May 2011 August 2011 December 2012 Please contact me if you have questions.

Jill A. Jordan, P.E.

**Assistant City Manager** 

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Attachment

Cc: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council Mary K. Suhm, City Manager Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager A.C. Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager Forest E. Turner, Assistant City Manager Jeanne Chipperfield, Chief Financial Officer Deborah A. Watkins, City Secretary Thomas P. Perkins, Jr., City Attorney Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor Judge C. Victor Lander Helena Stevens-Thompson, Assistant to the City Manager Frank Librio, Director, Public Information Office Kelly High, Director, Trinity Watershed Management Rebecca Rasor, P.E., Managing Director, Trinity River Corridor Project



# Sylvan Avenue Bridge

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### What is the purpose of the proposed improvements to the Sylvan Avenue bridge?

The purpose of the proposed improvements is to replace the existing bridge with an elevated structure that is designed to provide flood control and safety for the area, especially during heavy rain falls. This improvement will also provide better north-south traffic flow and the connection crossing at the Trinity River Greenbelt.

#### What is this project located?

The project is located within the City of Dallas in Dallas County and extends approximately one mile in length from Irving Boulevard to Morris Street.

#### How much will it cost to replace the existing bridge structure?

The current estimate of construction cost, in 2010 dollars is approximately \$38 million. Federal, Regional Toll Revenue (RTR), City of Dallas and State funding will pay for the construction.

#### When is construction expected to begin?

Construction of the Sylvan Avenue bridge is currently expected to begin in August 2011.

#### What can I expect during construction?

The existing bridge would be closed to traffic for approximately one year from the time construction begins, requiring alternate routes to be established. Access to Trammel Crow Park and all park amenities, including the soccer fields and boat ramp, would also be inaccessible during construction. A detour map is located on the back of this flyer.

#### Whom can I contact for updated information on the project?

For additional information concerning proposed improvements to the Sylvan Avenue bridge, please contact Yogesh Patel at (214) 670-7019 or yogesh.patel@dallascityhall.com.

### **Project Timeline (2007-2011)**



