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TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

Plano Independent School District Frankford Middle School - City of Dallas

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INTRODUCTION

Spiars Engineering & Surveying was retained by RLK Engineering, Inc. on behalf of the Plano Independent School District (Plano ISD) to provide a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) Update for the existing Frankford Middle School that consists of grades 6th through 8th. The TMP Update is to be submitted to the City of Dallas as part of the agreed upon the zoning ordinance of SUP 1305 for the property, which requires the Property Owner (school) to prepare a traffic study (TMP Update) evaluating the sufficiency of the [existing] TMP [submitted at the time of zoning approval conditions of November 1, 2021]. The school shall submit updates of the traffic study (TMP Update) to the [City] by November 1 of each odd-numbered year.

According to the SUP 1305, the traffic study (TMP Update) must be in writing, performed by a license engineer, based on a minimum of four samples taken on different school days a different drop-off and pick-up times over a two-week period, and must contain an analysis of the following:

- 1. ingress and egress points;
- 2. queue lengths;
- 3. number and location of personnel assisting with loading and unloading of students;
- 4. drop-off and pick-up locations;
- 5. drop-off and pick-up hours for each grade level;
- 6. hours for each grade level; and
- 7. circulation.

This memorandum is prepared to evaluate and address each analysis mentioned above. A copy of the existing TMP that was approved by the City of Dallas during the condition agreement process of SUP 1305 is provided at the end of the report. Unless mentioned otherwise in this memorandum, all elements of the existing TMP are to be assumed to be in operation as shown on the existing TMP and validated by a total of four onsite observations (two in the morning and two in the afternoon) on Tuesday, May 14th, 2024, and Thursday, May 16th, 2024.



At the time of the approval by the City of Dallas of the existing TMP (With no planned significant changes):

- a. Student enrollment of 1,023 students
- b. Start/End times: 8:25 A.M. 3:40 P.M.
- c. Original TMP Travel Modes: Bus and Walking: 65%/Walking: 5%/Picked Up by Parent: 30%

As described in the Existing TMP, a summary of existing conditions performed in 2019 are summarized below:

The school operates with an unmanaged queue protocol (no staff assistance). Parent pick-up activity in the afternoon occurs within the site in front of the school building along Osage Plaza Parkway and to the west of the school building along Maribeth Drive.

Additionally, parent pick-up activity in the afternoon occurs adjacent to the property along Osage Plaza Parkway and Along Maribeth Drive. NOTE: Parent drop-off activity in the morning peak has a similar protocol as the parent pick-up in the afternoon. Parent drop-off in the morning peak occurs at the pick-up/drop-off recessed area on-site in front of the school building and has negligible impact to traffic and pedestrian operations off-site. Generally, excessive traffic delays and queuing were not evident during school morning peak. School buses unload students along the internal roadway along the eastern side of the school building.

Along with marked crosswalks, a crossing guard is stationed at the corner of Osage Plaza Parkway and Maribeth Drive. Pedestrian traffic was observed to be not more than 5% (not more than 51 students) of the student population. It was observed that the single crossing guard was sufficient for the demand to cross Maribeth Drive and Osage Plaza Parkway. Current pedestrian amenities include marked crosswalks with pedestrian ramps on the east and south legs of Osage Plaza Parkway and Maribeth Drive. Sidewalks are present on all frontage to the public right-of-way with pedestrian ramps existing on each private driveway on the property. Pedestrian routes were observed to cross and continue along Osage Plaza Parkway. The table below shows specific information requested by the City of Dallas.

ENGINEER RECOMMENDATIONS:

- During the observations conducted by SPIARS, it was found that parents picked-up students from both curbsides of Maribeth Drive. However, after conversations with the school and the newly assigned principal for the 2024-2025 school year, the District and Frankford Middle School have committed to recommit to the original Traffic Management Plan approved in 2019 of all parent queuing/stacking to be on-site.
- > Additionally, it was observed that no parents parked or queued along Osage Plaza Parkway. Therefore, it is found by SPIARS that the "No Parking" signs that was recommended from the 2019 original TMP are not necessary. As a result, it is recommended that the original recommendations for the "No Parking" signs along Osage Plaza Parkway be omitted.
- > SPIARS reviewed the current signs and marking completed by RLK Engineering to confirm all signs and marking comply, to the best of SPIARS knowledge, with the current school's TMP. In general, the inspector has the ability to request updated signage and/or markings based on existing conditions or if existing signs/marking are outdated.



Table 1. General School Information

General School Information

School Name: Plano Independent School District - Frankford Middle School

Principal/Head of School: Felipe Vargas - felipe.vargas@pisd.edu

Location: 7706 Osage Plaza Parkway

Principal Signature

Type: Public Middle School Existing Zoning: SUP 1305 Prior TMP Date: April 8th, 2019

Observations

Dates Observed:

Date #1— Tuesday, May 14th, 2024; Date #2— Thursday, May 16th, 2024

Peak and Available Queue: 100 Vehicles (2,500 LF)

12/19/2024

Date

