

I-345 CONNECTS - Project Update

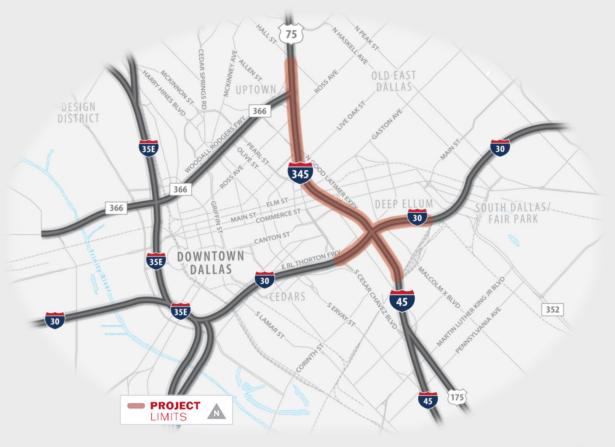
City of Dallas Transportation & Infrastructure Committee

From I-30 to Woodall Rodgers (Spur 366) | Dallas County



Project Update

- From I-30 to Woodall Rodgers Freeway (Spur 366)
- Length: Approximately 2.8 Miles





Project History



2012



2014



2018



2022



2023

Initial Feasibility Study Conducted

9 alternatives developed and examined

CityMAP Study conducted "art of the possible"

Examined 5 potential scenarios.

CityMAP goals aimed to improve:

- Mobility
- Connectivity
- Sustainability
- •Economic Development

Feasibility Study Initiated

5 alternatives developed based on CityMAP scenarios and goals

Hybrid Option identified as Recommended Alternative

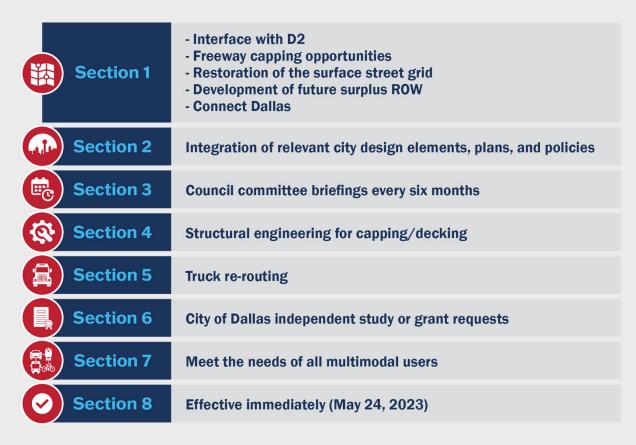
Recommended Alternative to be carried into the I-345 Connects Project Schematic & Environmental Phase

Dallas City Council approved TxDOT's plan for the I-345 Connects Project

And passed a conditional resolution of support for the "Refined Hybrid Option" in May 2023



City of Dallas May 24, 2023 | Resolution Recap







Subcommittee Formation

- Subcommittees were formed to address Section 1 of the city council resolution.
- Subcommittees formed:
 - Street Grid, including DART and streetcar accommodation
 - Surplus ROW/Potential Capping
 - Connect Dallas, including:













Subcommittees include representation from appropriate city departments.





City of Dallas Plans

• The ongoing coordination efforts between the City and TxDOT regarding the project align with the City of Dallas plans.

City of Dallas Report	Subcommittee
Comprehensive Environmental & Climate Action Plan	Restoration of Surface City Street Grid & Connect Dallas
Racial Equity Plan	Restoration of Surface City Street Grid & Connect Dallas
Economic Development	Surplus ROW
Street Design Manual	Restoration of Surface City Street Grid & Connect Dallas
Bicycle Plan	Restoration of Surface City Street Grid & Connect Dallas
Forward Dallas	Surplus ROW & Connect Dallas
Dallas Housing Policy 2033	Restoration of Surface City Street Grid, Surplus ROW & Connect Dallas
Strategic Mobility Plan 2021	Restoration of Surface City Street Grid & Connect Dallas
Dallas 360	Restoration of Surface City Street Grid & Connect Dallas





City Council Briefings

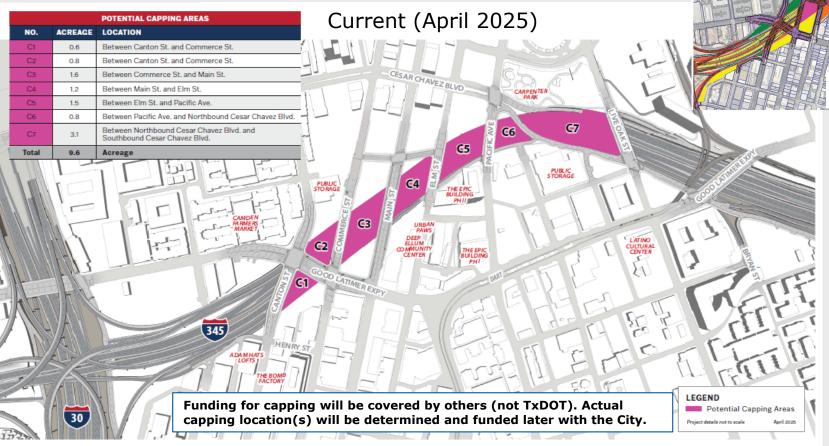
MARCH 6, 2024 Full Council Briefing **OCTOBER 16, 2024 Full Council Briefing**

SPRING 2025
TRNI Committee Briefing
(Prior to April public hearings)









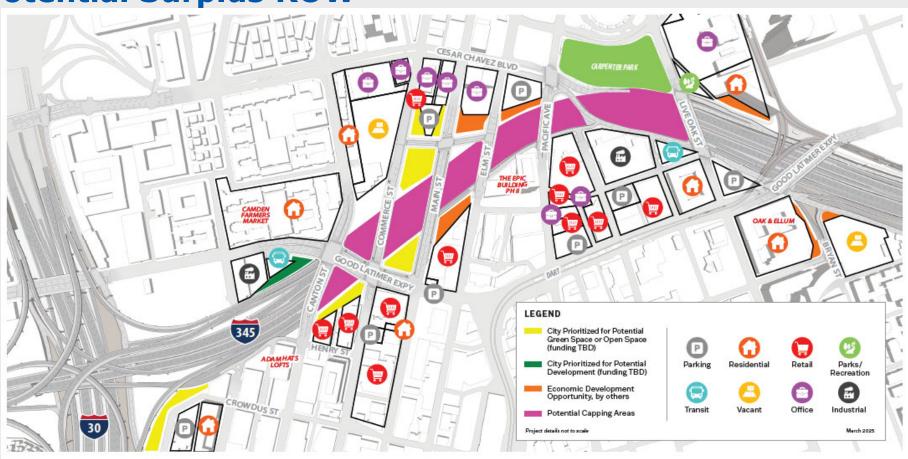
Three additional potential capping locations, approximately three acres, are identified.

October 2024



Potential Surplus ROW

In coordination with the City, areas of surplus ROW have been considered for potential use based on existing adjacent land use.

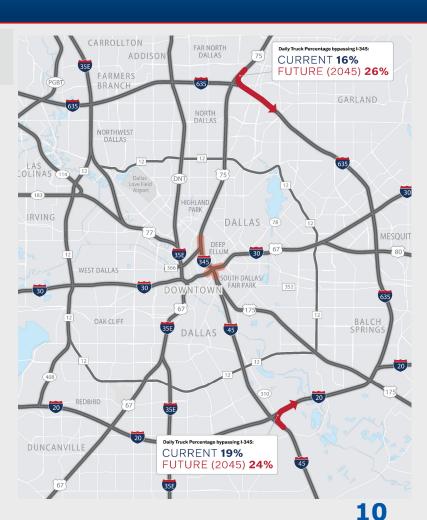






Truck Re-Routing

- I-345 is on the National Highway Freight Network
- Hazmat vehicles are currently not allowed on I-345
- TxDOT has no legal authority to prohibit the use of any vehicle class on any roadway as long as the vehicles are within the weight and size limits established by law.
- By passage and enforcement of a city ordinance/resolution, a city may reroute trucks from a certain highway route within their corporate limits to an alternate highway route within their city limits, with conditions.
 - The city assumes responsibility for Truck Route signing, enforcement and any other legal matters for the route.
- Any route involving the Interstate System must be approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) at the headquarter level.







Truck Re-Routing - Federal Level Approval

- The request must start with FHWA or come from the Governor or the Governor's authorized representative in the state.
- The request must include a justification including:
 - Evidence of safety issues.
 - Analysis on the impact to interstate commerce.
 - Recommendation of alternative routes which can safely accommodate the vehicles and serve the area in which the deleted segment is located.
 - Evidence of local government consultation.
- FHWA will publish the request in the Federal Register as a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. Any approval will be published as a final rule.





Grant Requests

 City council approved the \$2M HUD grant on January 22, 2025, which includes a component focused on studying street connections in relation to the I-345 improvement plans.





Multimodal Accommodations









with Uptown
Dallas, AIA,
DDI, Deep Ellum
and
Baylor Scott & White



Stakeholder Coordination By the Numbers



6 **Connect Dallas** Subcommittee meetings with City of Dallas

with City of Dallas



In-person meetings with City of Dallas leadership







Neighborhood Association Meeting The Uptown Neighborhood Association (TUNA)

Value Engineering Study 3-Day Workshop, February 27-29, 2024

regarding Allen connection



Meetings with Downtown **Dallas Parks** Conservancy Parks Conservancy (DDPC)

Meetings with Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART)



MARCH 19, 2024



ST. PHILIPS SCHOOL & COMMUNITY CENTER GYMNASIUM

90 ATTENDEES

MARCH 21, 2024



PILGRIM REST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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Stakeholder Coordination Meeting Dates







TOTAL MEETINGS: 2

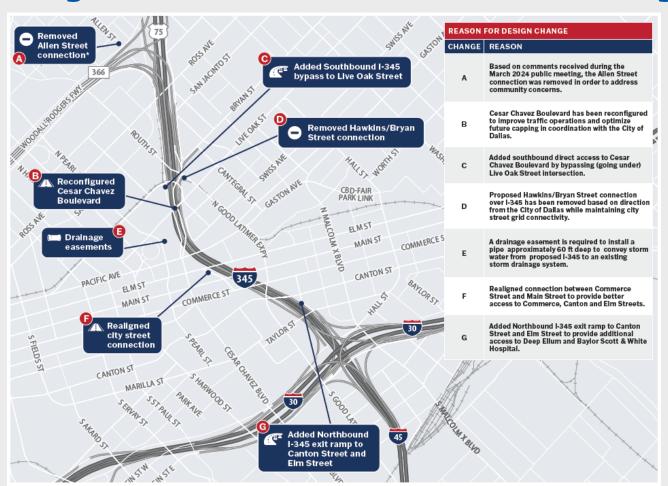


January 24, 2024 March 5, 2024 July 22, 2024 September 27, 2024 February 18, 2025 February 27, 2025 January 16, 2024 January 23, 2024 March 5, 2024 March 19, 2024 March 26, 2024 August 19, 2024 September 27, 2024 February 18, 2025 March 14, 2025

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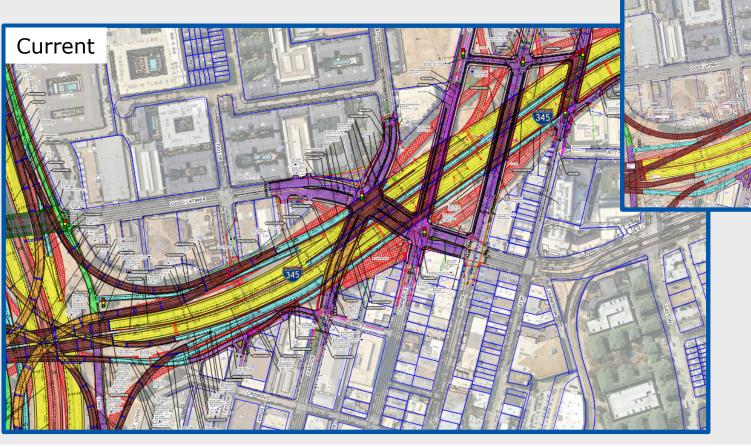


Design Changes Since March 2024 Public Meeting



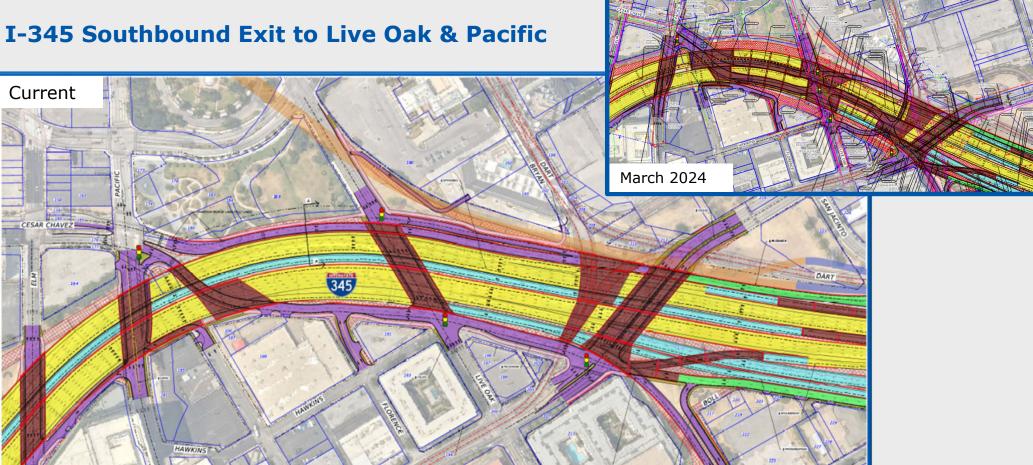


I-345 NB Exit to Canton and Elm



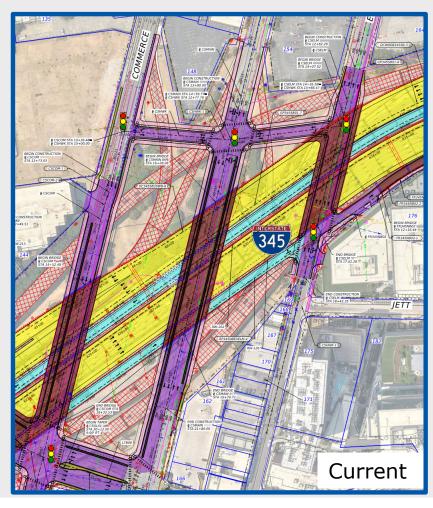
September 2024

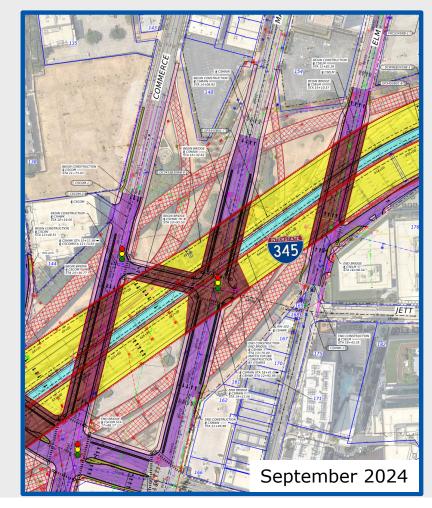






Reconfigure Future City Street Connection Between Commerce, Main and Elm







Public Hearings April 2025 (Virtual and two in-person)

In-Person Hearing 1

Tuesday, April 22, 2025 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Open House)

Presentation at 5:30 p.m.

Pilgrim Rest Missionary
Baptist Church
1819 N. Washington Avenue
Dallas, TX 75204

In-Person Hearing 2

Thursday, April 24, 2025 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Open House)

Presentation at 5:30 p.m.

St. Philip's School and Community
Center Gymnasium
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Dallas, TX 75215

Virtual Hearing*

Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at 5 p.m. through Friday, May 9, 2025, at 11:59 p.m.

*This is not a live event. A prerecorded presentation will be posted online.



Project Timeline

We are here **Winter 2024/** 2023 Spring 2024 **April 2025** Summer 2025 Spring 2025 **City of Dallas Public Meeting Public Hearing Finalize Anticipated** Coordination schematic **Environmental** Series To be presented: design and Clearance Draft EA and technical May 2023 | City of Dallas Materials presented: reports passes Resolution of complete · Project purpose and need Schematic Support for the I-345 • Timeline environmental · Refinements to potential Connects Project Environmental Constraints review surplus ROW Draft Schematic Fall 2023 | Refinement to potential · Potential surplus right of way Begin preliminary capping areas · Potential capping areas engineering design Access changes · Changes in access (schematic) and · Updated project timeline · Project partner coordination environmental review Partner coordination update (Environmental Assessment (EA)) · Begin coordination with City of Dallas staff **Refine Schematic Design & Conduct Environmental Review** Estimated Construction Cost = \$1.65 Billion



Open Discussion

