

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE January 29, 2021

Honorable Members of the Economic Development Committee:

TO Tennell Atkins (Chair), David Blewett (Vice-Chair), Jennifer Staubach Gates, Adam McGough, Omar Narvaez, Jaime Resendez, Chad West

SUBJECT **University Hills Wastewater Infrastructure Update**

On February 14, 2018, the City Council awarded a supplemental agreement for engineering services to evaluate and design wastewater infrastructure improvements for the University Hills area bounded by University Hills Boulevard, Camp Wisdom Road, Lancaster Road and Wheatland Road. Subsequently, several community meetings were held with residents and stakeholders to brief the project, solicit input, and provide details of the project moving forward.

The purpose of this memo is to provide an update on the overall project and discuss next steps. To deliver the improvements in an efficient and timely manner, the project was separated into two phases. Attached to this memo is a map of the planned improvements.

Phase I of the project includes approximately 3,500 linear feet of wastewater main on the west side of University Hills Boulevard from north of Camp Wisdom Road heading south towards Wheatland Road. The construction contract for this segment was recently awarded by City Council to Sisters Asphalt, Inc., on January 13, 2021, at a cost of \$663,919. The following funding sources will be utilized for the project: Equity Revitalization Capital Fund (\$464,743.65) and DWU Wastewater Capital Improvement "D" Fund (\$199,175.85). Additionally, the City is working with landowners to complete acquisition of the necessary easements required for the wastewater main where it is to be installed on private property. Once the right-of-way acquisition process is complete, construction is anticipated to take approximately 12 months to complete.

Phase II of the project includes 2,600 linear feet of wastewater main in University Hills Boulevard and roughly 6,500 linear feet of wastewater main from University Hills Boulevard east towards Lancaster Road along Runyon Springs Branch. The construction contract for Phase II is planned to be advertised for bids beginning on February 17, 2021 with a bid opening date scheduled for March 19, 2021. The tentative date for award is June 16, 2021 at an estimated cost of \$3.5M utilizing the following planned funding sources: DWU Capital Construction (\$1.05M), Equity Revitalization Capital Fund (\$1.8M) and 2017 Economic Development Bond Fund (\$650k). Additionally, the City will be working with landowners to complete acquisition of the necessary easements required for the wastewater main where it is to be installed on private property. Once the right-of-way acquisition process is complete, construction is anticipated to take approximately 18 months to complete.

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These wastewater infrastructure improvements will increase equity across the City's wastewater system and provide service to the residents in the University Hills area.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Richard Wagner, DWU Assistant Director at: richard.wagner@dallascityhall.com.



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