

Draft Environmental Assessment Notice of Availability and Opportunity for a Public Hearing

## Zarzamora Street from US 90 to Jennings Avenue CSJ 0915-12-617 | Bexar County, Texas

The City of San Antonio, in cooperation with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), is proposing to realign South Zarzamora Street from US 90 to Jennings Avenue to construct a grade separation over the Frio City Road/Kirk Place and Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) intersections in San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas. This notice advises the public that a draft environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review and that the City and TxDOT are affording an opportunity for a public hearing on the proposed project.

The proposed project would extend for 0.8 miles along South Zarzamora Street, from approximately 50 feet north of B Street to Linares Street. The project would require the acquisition of right of way (ROW) primarily from the east side of the roadway, resulting in a new right-of-way width ranging from approximately 100 to 300 feet. The project would require the permanent closure of several local roadways, including Walton Avenue, East Thompson Place, and Barrett Place; these local roadways would be permanently closed from South Zarzamora Street to Phyllis Street.

Northbound and southbound overpasses would be constructed from Humble Avenue/Walton Avenue to Harriman Place. Each overpass would consist of two 12-foot travel lanes and a 10-foot shared-use path. At-grade South Zarzamora Street would have one 12-foot travel lane in each direction, with a 10-foot shared-use path on both sides of the roadway. In addition, an access road would be constructed on the west side of South Zarzamora Street from Humble Avenue to Barrett Place and would consist of one 12-foot travel lane in each direction and a 6-foot sidewalk. The project would also include drainage improvements, signalized intersection upgrades, bicycle and pedestrian improvements, utility replacements and adjustments, bus route adjustments, signing, pavement markings, illumination, and the construction of retaining walls.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way and potentially displace two residences and six non-residential structures. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program and services and benefits for those displaced and other affected property owners, as well as information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction, can be obtained from the City of San Antonio's Public Works Department by calling Adrian Ramirez at (210) 207-2099.

The proposed project is anticipated to impact the following property protected under Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966: K O Steel Casings, Inc. Complex (2915 S. Zarzamora St.). The proposed project would require an approximate 0.003-acre temporary construction easement within this property, which was determined to have a *de minimis* impact on this property.

The draft EA, maps and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the proposed project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 100 W. Houston St., 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Antonio, Texas, 78205. Project materials are also available online at <u>https://saspeakup.com/ZarzamoraOverpass</u>.

The project materials are written in English. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English, one will be provided to you. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to review the project materials or submit information, please contact James Hall at (210) 207-6473 no later than 4 p.m.

CT, at least three business days before the date on which you would like to review the project materials or submit information. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the City to arrange.

Any interested person may submit a written request for a public hearing on this project. Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are also requested. Written hearing requests and comments may be submitted by mail to the City of San Antonio, James Hall, Capital Projects Officer at P.O. Box 839966, San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966, or by email to james.hall@sanantonio.gov. All hearing requests and comments must be received on or before Monday, March 11, 2024. A hearing will be held if ten or more individuals submit timely written requests for a hearing or if an agency with jurisdiction over the project submits a timely written request for a hearing that is supported by reasons why a hearing will be helpful. Responses to comments received will be available online at <a href="https://saspeakup.com/ZarzamoraOverpass">https://saspeakup.com/ZarzamoraOverpass</a> once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project, please contact James Hall, Capital Projects Officer at (210) 207-6473 or <u>james.hall@sanantonio.gov</u>.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 9, 2019 and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.