

# Public Works Department

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Ordinance to Name New Park Road 22 Bridge-  
“Don Patricio” Bridge Designation



Council Presentation  
September 19, 2023



# Background

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- **November 9, 2011**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) and the City of Corpus Christi entered into an Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) for the construction of the Park Road 22 Bridge.

- The City now desires to name the bridge in accordance with Chapter 311 of the Texas Transportation Code which grants municipalities authority to names to highway facilities in its jurisdiction.
  - City submitted letter request to TXDOT and received approval in accordance to Chapter 311.
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# “Don Patricio” Name Designation

- “Don Patricio Causeway” was the name of the first causeway connecting Padre Island to the mainland.
- Named in honor of Patrick Dunn, who owned land on the island, and great grandfather to former District 4 CM Greg Smith.
- The Don Patricio Causeway opened in July 1927 and was swept away by a hurricane in September 1933.



The Don Patricio Causeway circa 1930  
*From the Padre Island National Seashore archives*



# Recommendation

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- Both Planning Commission and staff recommends designating the Park Road 22 Bridge as the Don Patricio Bridge.
- The PW Department will install and maintain signs.



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Questions?

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