



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Public Hearing and First Reading for the City Council Meeting of August 28, 2012
Second Reading for the City Council Meeting of September 11, 2012

DATE: August 6, 2012
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Urban Transportation Plan Amendment – Northwest Area Proposed Collector Street Amendments to Consolidate Two Proposed Collectors into a Single Collector

CAPTION:

Public Hearing to consider an Ordinance amending the Urban Transportation Plan, an element of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Corpus Christi, by consolidation of two north-south collector streets into a single collector street generally located midpoint between County Road 69 and U.S. Hwy. 77; amending related elements of the Comprehensive Plan of the City; providing for severance; and providing for publication.

PURPOSE:

A property owner has requested that the City consider changing the Urban Transportation Plan by removing a proposed C-1 (60 foot right-of-way, with two travel lanes) collector street located approximately 1,000 feet west of and parallel with US 77. See the Exhibit map in the attached Ordinance.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

There are two north-south C-1 collector streets proposed on the City's Urban Transportation Plan between County Road 69 and US 77. The two collector streets were added to the Urban Transportation Plan in 2001 when the Northwest Area Development Plan was adopted. The purpose of the two collector streets is to provide a grid system in conjunction with the existing east-west roadways in the area. The collector nearest to US 77 is intended to provide a relief route when full development occurs along the freeway frontage roads.

The two collectors are spaced approximately 1,000 feet (0.18 mile) apart which is closer than the City standard of $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile apart for collector roadways identified in the adopted Urban Transportation Plan.

Since 2001, there has not been any dedication of right-of-way for either collector roadway as there have not been any final plats approved that directly abut the proposed collectors.

Consolidating the collector system into a single north-south collector would meet the City standard for collector spacing of $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile apart. Centering a single collector approximately midpoint between County Road 69 and US 77 would result in a spacing falling between the $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile standard.

ALTERNATIVES:

Denial of the Amendment to the Urban Transportation Plan.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

The Future Land Use Plan was reviewed by staff and no changes are necessary.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

Consistent with the Urban Transportation Plan standard on collector street spacing of ¼ to ½ mile for collector roadways.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-Emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

City Traffic Engineer’s recommendation: Approval.

Transportation Advisory Committee recommendation: Approval on June 25, 2012.

Planning Commission recommendation: Approval on July 18, 2012.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Operating Revenue Capital x Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2011-2012	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

Fund(s):

Comments:

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends consolidating the two north-south collectors between County Road 69 and US 77 into a single C-1, 60 foot right-of-way collector located approximately midpoint between the two major roadways (See Exhibit in the attached Ordinance).

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Planning Commission Unofficial Minutes 7-18-2012
Ordinance
Powerpoint