

## AGENDA ITEM 27

Discuss and take any appropriate action on road bond program.

Mike Weaver discussed road bond issues and passed out a copy of the final version of the road bond newsletter, which will be distributed by mail, newspapers and local chambers of commerce. It will also be on the web site, for anyone who does not receive a copy.

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**Williamson County Road Bond Program Map and Construction Schedule as of May 2001**

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

1. call Nancy Ledbetter at 248.2273 for timely information
2. you may visit [www.roadbonds.org](http://www.roadbonds.org) for up to the minute road plans, maps, construction updates and accurate schedules
3. you can email the road bond managers at [managers@roadbonds.com](mailto:managers@roadbonds.com) or individual commissioners or the Williamson County Judge at [jcohen@roadbonds.org](mailto:jcohen@roadbonds.org), [mhelgeson@roadbonds.org](mailto:mhelgeson@roadbonds.org), [gschoenig@roadbonds.org](mailto:gschoenig@roadbonds.org), [dgray@roadbonds.org](mailto:dgray@roadbonds.org) or [fininter@roadbonds.org](mailto:fininter@roadbonds.org)

my goal and the goal of the county to deliver the initial phases of Farmer Lane a full year earlier than we thought possible. We have tight controls at the Commissioners Court, and a great team of professionals running our bond program. The engineers, environmental specialists and planners that we have chosen are the best in the state and are well ahead of most schedules on those projects where we are the sole authority. We have also just received some good news regarding the environmental clearance of the desired route for the US 183A bypass and SH 130 which will allow the final planning stages of those roads to begin," stated Commissioner Doug Baugher of the Cedar Park/Lawler/183 area.

Highway funds and various funds in my precinct and in the county have been at an alarming rate. Unfortunately, on one stretch of state road, on one day, we had two separate roadblocks. The delays varied to address these traffic challenges in the bond election by overstretching further. The increased bond dollars will give us the ability to immediately correct a large number of the identified safety hazards in the county. As elected representatives, we are working to make the changes to make travel in our county safe and convenient again," commented Commissioner Frankie Lammie.

"On roads such as US 79, our citizens are put in dangerous traffic congestion situations everyday. These situations can be fixed with the addition of divided travel lanes or the completion of certain parallel alternatives. For instance, the Chandler Road parallel alternative to US 79 between IH 35 and Baylor, as well as Farmer Lane from IH 1431 to IH 35 above Georgetown, could ease traffic off existing overcrowded roads. The citizens of Williamson County should know that we are moving quickly on all our road projects," continued Commissioner Lammie.

"The planning that this court has done through the years has enabled us to deal with our transportation challenges. Our road bond funds can now leverage our local dollars and

addresses the major mobility problems with the addition of the Loop 1 connection to SH 45 and IH 35 near La Primavera and Dell Computer Corporation. We are in contact with state officials on ways to minimize the effect of our bond funds to allow us to complete these and other projects such as the improvement of Michael Road and Anderson Mill Road and to it quickly," said Commissioner Wade Helgeson.

"The extension of Farmer Lane, Wyoming Springs Drive, Lakeline Boulevard to Farmer and the Inner Loop are projects that I initiated several years ago. The first round of construction funds that we approved means that we can move forward on these important roadways," said Commissioner David Hays of Georgetown.

Preliminary engineering, environmental, right-of-way and utility relocation contracts have been in motion since the passage of the road bonds in early November. The delivery of the construction funding was scheduled for the spring to maximize the preferred summer building times for roads. The increased initial funding will mean that several additional projects will begin during the building cycle instead of having to wait for the second bond sale in mid 2002. The total \$350 million bond package was proposed to be sold in three sales over the five years of construction to keep the preferred bid rate low and not a burden to citizens.

# RECORDERS MEMORANDUM

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Information about the program is available from the County Office, 1000 Main Street, Room 100, Williamsport, PA 17740. Phone: (717) 326-1234. Fax: (717) 326-1235. Website: [www.williamsoncountypa.gov](http://www.williamsoncountypa.gov)

**Important Project Information**

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY TRAILS**

BRUSHY CREEK REGIONAL PARK/STINKS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
PHASE 1 - PRELIMINARY ROUTING PLAN

**A successful Williamson County Road Bond Program**

**Thanks to you!**

The Partner Lane extension is being designed by two local engineering firms that are working closely with Commissioners Greg Bossmert and David Hays. Local governments and state agencies are providing the funding to support the project. The project will improve traffic flow and safety at this intersection. Look for the project to be completed later this summer.

Recognized as the most dangerous intersection in the county, CA 122 @ US 75 is through the design phase and construction is well underway. The project will improve traffic flow and safety at this intersection. Look for the project to be completed later this summer.

The critical segment of the Georgetown River Loop will be constructed below and along a portion of the Loop. Construction from there is coming the south fork of the San Gabriel River and the two parallel roads. This project was initially saved as a CD project by Commissioners Hays. The project is now being moved forward as a CD project. Now that the county has received the initial bond funding, the planned construction of the road will begin this summer.

**McNeil Road/Wyoming Springs/SH 45/Loop 1 area study**

A roadway area study and phased construction program has been initiated by Commissioner Mike Halgrenson and the county's Road Bond Team. The study is examining the possible alignment and expansion of McNeil Road/Wyoming Springs/SH 45/Loop 1 and SH 45. The study will address the great traffic challenges and congestion that are available for the new construction of connecting east-west roadways and a connection to the Loop 1 corridor area, as well as access to the SH 45/Loop 1 toll roads.

**Commissioner Mike Halgrenson**

"We can dramatically shrink the time required to build the roads contained in the November 2000 Williamson County Road Bond program. The decrease in the cost of road rates in our county have increased our property tax base at a rate that allowed the county to sell an additional \$40 million worth of bonds than originally planned. This will speed the construction process while retaining the small upward tax adjustment that we outlined in the bond campaign," said Williamson County Judge John Doefer.

"The fact that we can shrink our construction time and build more roads quickly is great news for our mobility-minded county. The citizens put Williamson County in the driver's seat for construction of major arteries within the county with the passage of the November road bond proposal. Now we have the first year's funding, paid some, in hand. We have assembled a group of professionals under Mike Weaver (Prime Strategist) to direct the county road program. We are building

**AGENDA ITEM 28**

Consider approving a contract for preparation of construction plan and right-of-way maps for Dannenbaum Engineering Corp. relating to Rd. Bond Program.

Moved: **Commissioner Hays**

Seconded: **Judge Doerfler**

Motion: To approve a contract for preparation of construction plan and right-of-way maps for Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation relating to the road bond program.

Vote: 5 - 0

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Contract No. Dannenbaum Engineering - County Roads

**Checklist**

**Prior to Initiation of Work**

- ☒ Signed and Executed Agreement
- ☒ Scope of Services – Appendix A
  - ☒ Exhibit A – Services to be provided by County
  - ☒ Exhibit B – Services to be provided by Engineer
  - ☒ Exhibit C – Work Schedule
  - ☒ Exhibit D – Fee Schedule
- ☒ Production Schedule – Exhibit IV
- ☒ Hourly Rates of Engineer – Exhibit II
- NA ☐ Work Authorization - Attachment A to Exhibit I
  - ☐ Supplemental Work Authorization for Additional Work (if applicable)
- ☐ Data to be provided to Engineer by County
  - ☐ Plans
  - ☐ Maps
  - ☐ Studies
  - ☐ Reports
  - ☐ Field Notes
  - ☐ Statistics
  - ☐ Computations
  - ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Contractors Qualification Statement – Appendix B
- ☒ Insurance
  - ☒ Worker's Compensation
  - ☒ Commercial General Liability Insurance
  - ☒ Automobile Liability Insurance
  - ☒ Professional Liability Errors and Omissions Insurance
  - ☐ Self Insurance Documentation
  - ☐ Insurance Certificates for Subcontractors and/or Sub-consultants
  - ☐ Approval of Insurance by County

**Course of Work**

- ☐ Original Engineering Work Product submittal
- ☐ "Completed" Engineering Work Product
- ☐ "Accepted" Engineering Work Product
- ☐ Modifications and/or Changes for Approval of Engineering Work Product
- ☐ "Approved" Engineering Work Product
- ☐ Revisions to Work Product
- ☐ Seal of Endorsement on all Engineering Work Product
- ☐ Data necessary for applications or documentation for permits and/or grants to be provided by Engineer to County

**Notices (as applicable)**