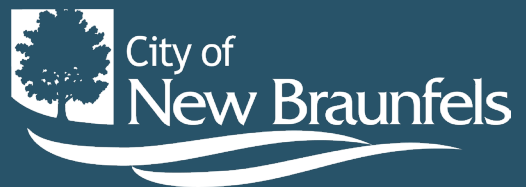


Thoroughfare Plan Update

Planning Commission
August 5, 2025



Overview

- Regional Transportation Planning
- Thoroughfare Plan Update
- Public Outreach Summary
- Public Comment Requests
- Next Steps



Regional Transportation System

- ▲ The transportation system provides for the mobility of people and goods, and influences development activity
- ▲ The performance of the system affects...
 - Land use
 - Economic development
 - Safety
 - Environment
 - Project development
 - Funding



Regional Transportation Planning

- ▲ Transportation planning plays a fundamental role in the state, region, and community's vision and needs
- ▲ Transportation planning includes:
 - Develop vision and goals
 - Analyze existing and forecast future conditions
 - Identify transportation needs and improvement strategies
 - Develop short and long-range programs for improvements
 - Develop a financial plan for securing funding
 - Ensures new development is aligned and provides for mobility

City and regional plans lay the foundation for transportation planning and project delivery in New Braunfels



City of New Braunfels



Downtown Implementation Plan

2010

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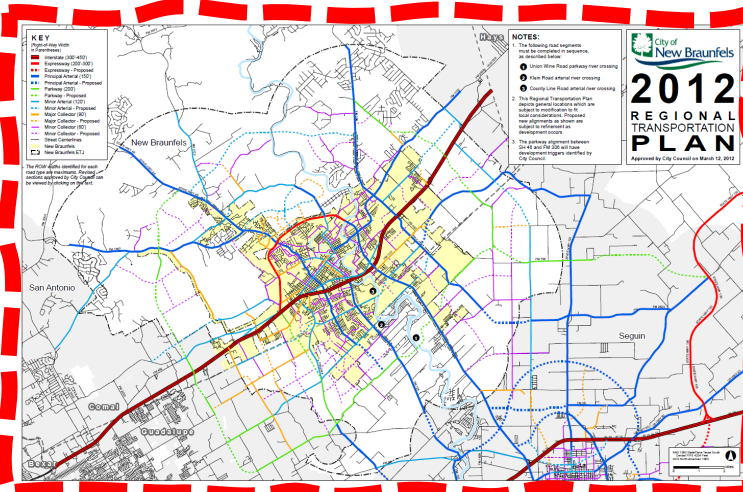
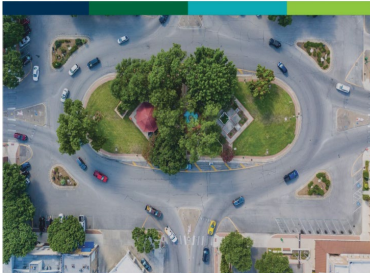


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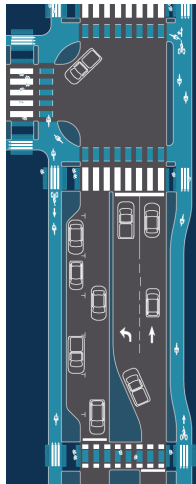


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Regional Transportation Plan

- ▲ New Braunfels, Comal County, Seguin, and Guadalupe County developed a Regional Transportation Plan in 2012
- ▲ Goals of the plan...
 - Improve traffic circulation and connectivity
 - Manage growth and access to development
 - Consider constraints and other risks
 - Address Guadalupe River crossings
 - Follow existing roadways as much as possible
 - Serve as the city's **Thoroughfare Plan**



What is a Thoroughfare Plan?

Long-range planning document adopted by the City Council

Guides future development and ensures transportation connectivity

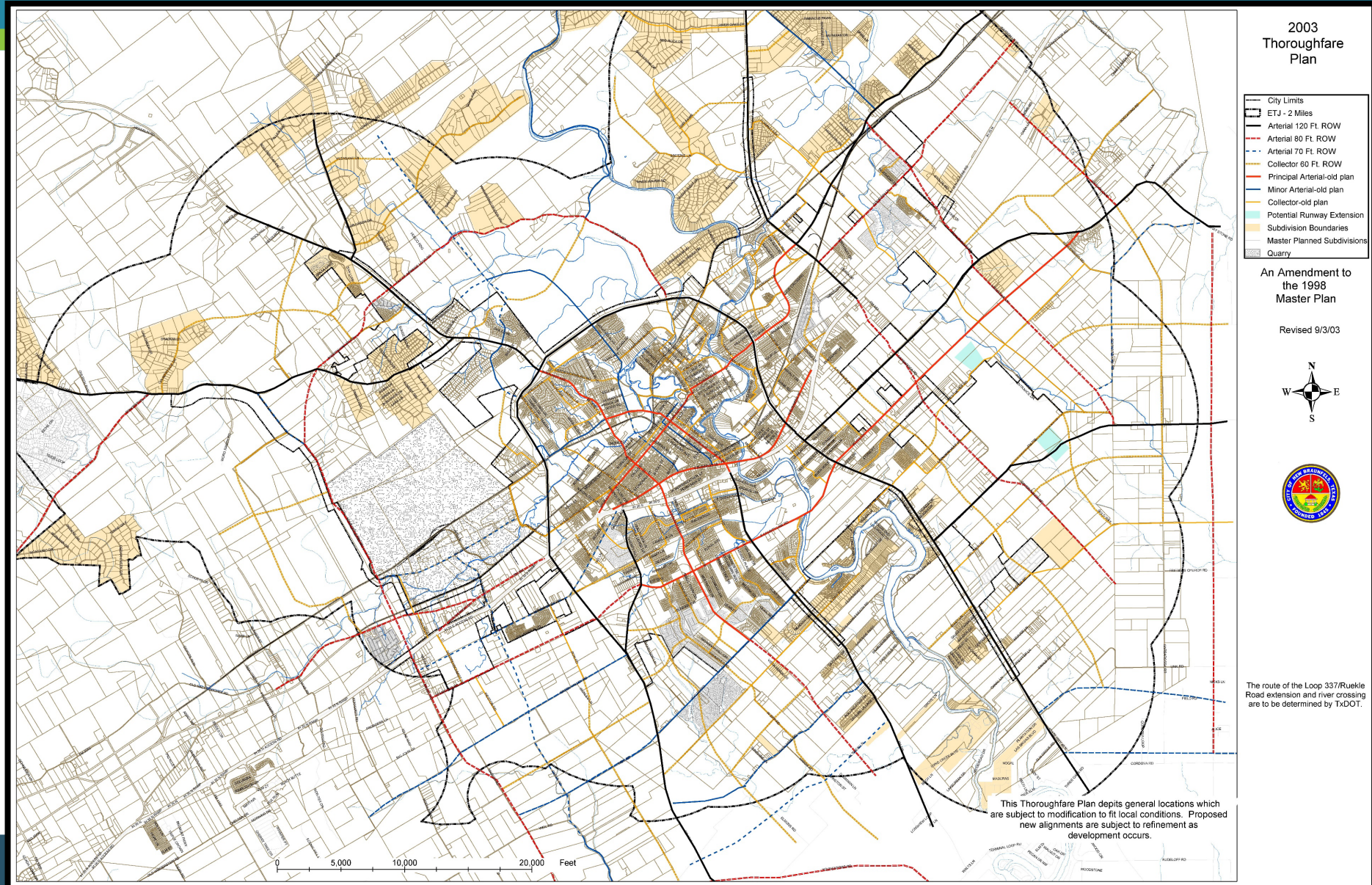
Identifies the location and type of roadway facilities to meet existing, development, and future transportation needs

Enables the city and counties to preserve corridors for the regional transportation network through the subdivision plat process

*1964 Thoroughfare Plan



2003 Thoroughfare Plan

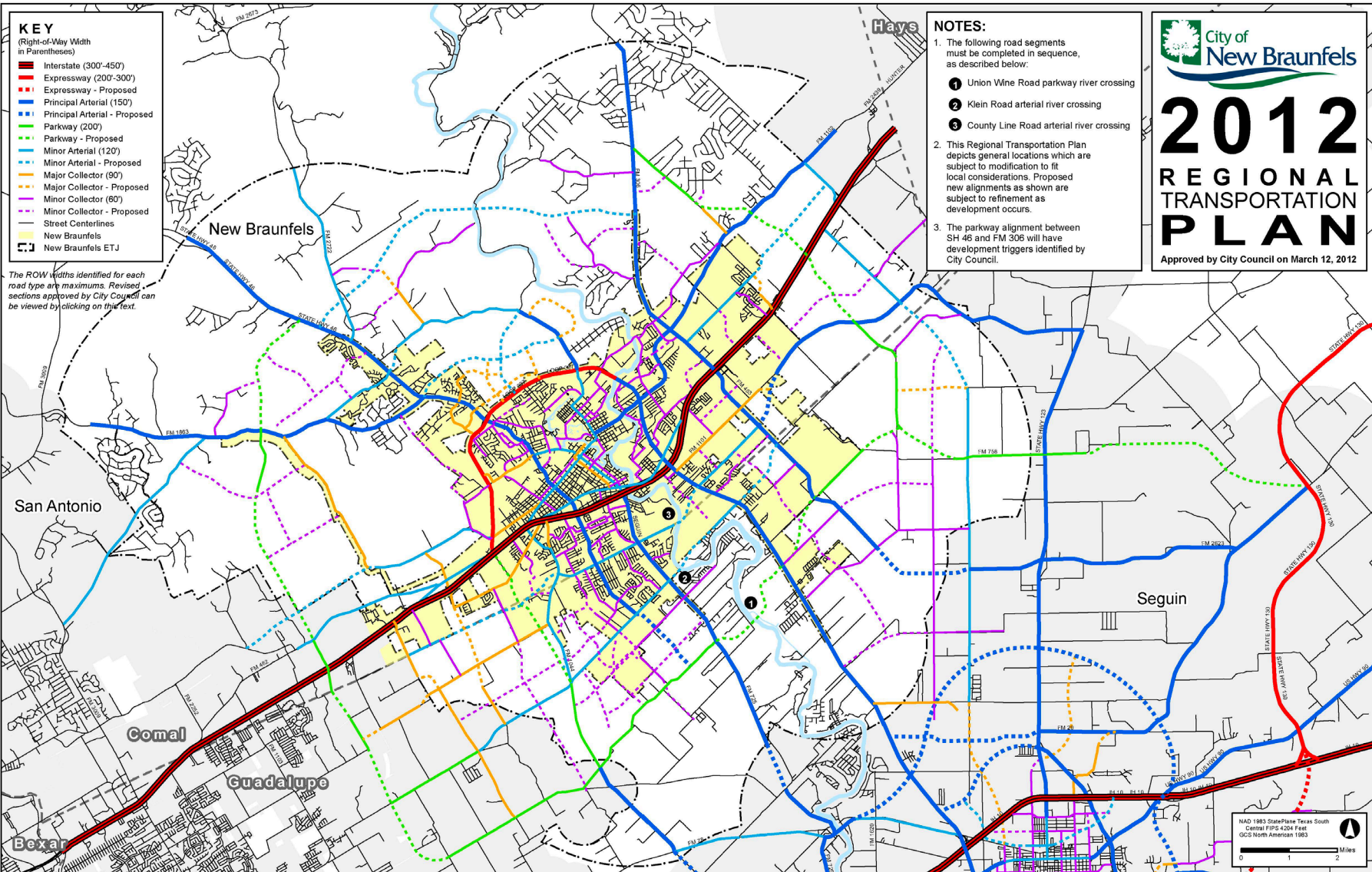


2012 Regional Transportation Plan

KEY

(Right-of-Way Width
in Parentheses)

- Interstate (300'-450')
- - - Expressway (200'-300')
- · - · - Expressway - Proposed
- Principal Arterial (150')
- · - · - Principal Arterial - Proposed
- Parkway (200')
- · - · - Parkway - Proposed
- Minor Arterial (120')
- · - · - Minor Arterial - Proposed
- Major Collector (90')
- · - · - Major Collector - Proposed
- Minor Collector (60')
- · - · - Minor Collector - Proposed
- Street Centerlines
- New Braunfels
- New Braunfels ETJ



Thoroughfare Plan Roadway Classification

Interstate

Expressway

Parkway

Principal Arterial

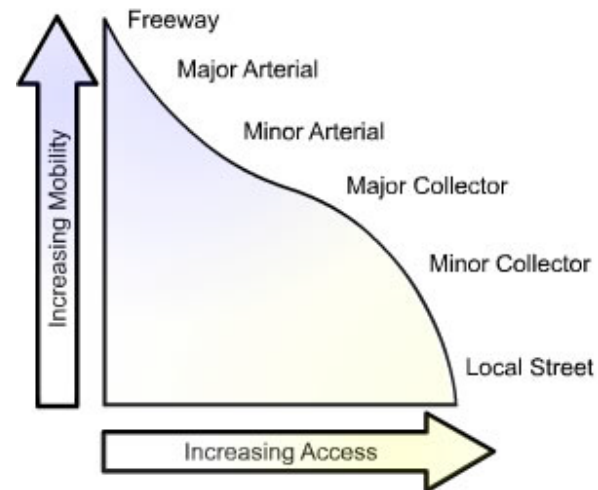
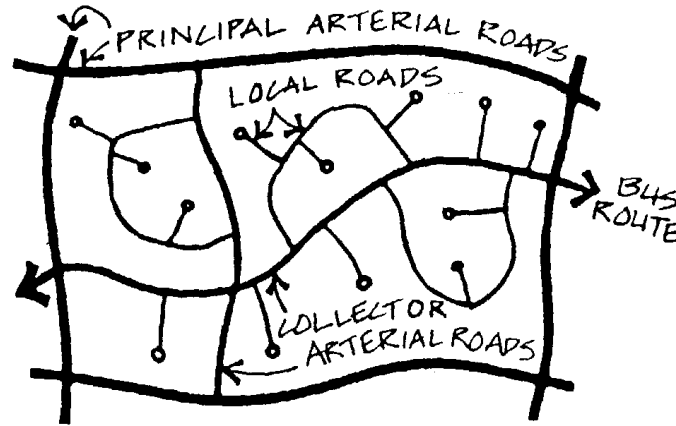
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Major Collector

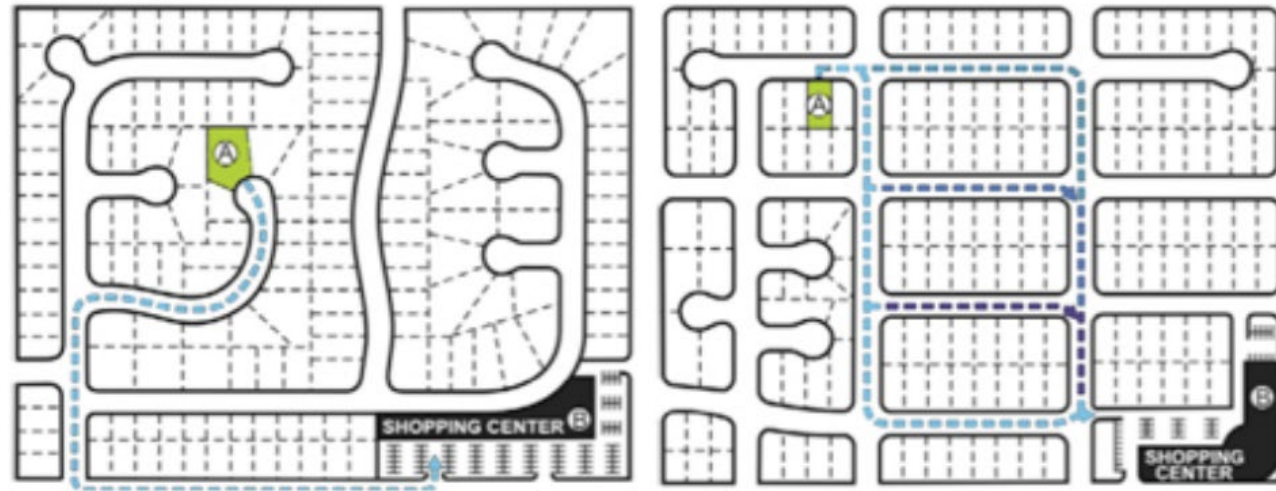
Minor Collector

Residential Collector

Local Streets



Importance of Connectivity



Conventional street networks (left) create longer trips and often deny choice. A network of Complete Streets (right) offers flexibility. *Image: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. and Digital Media Productions*

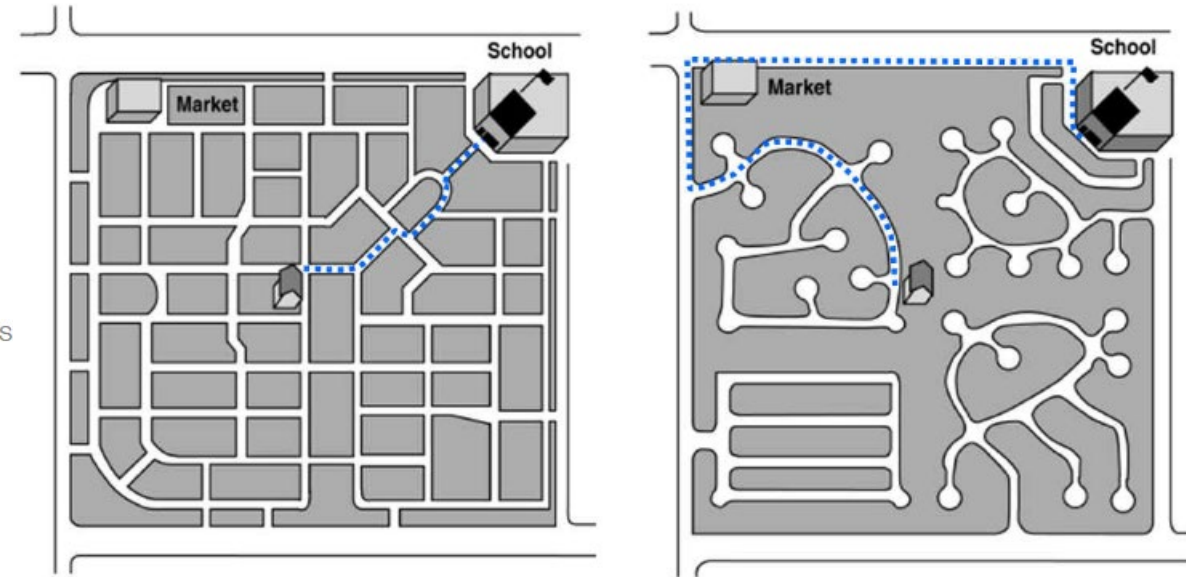
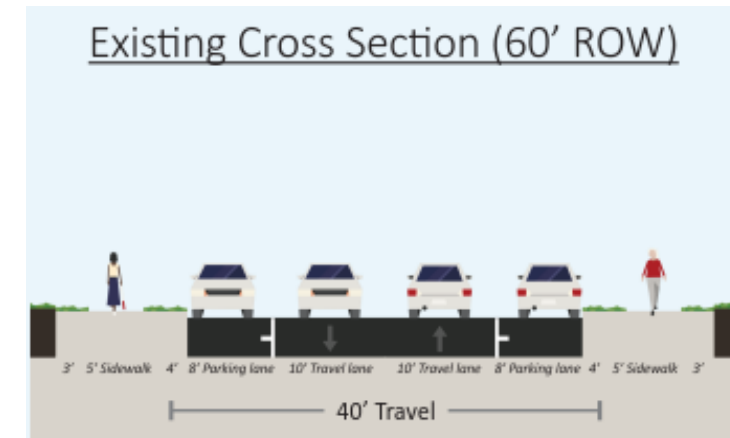


Figure 1: Shorter trip distance with connected network

Roadways and Right-of-way

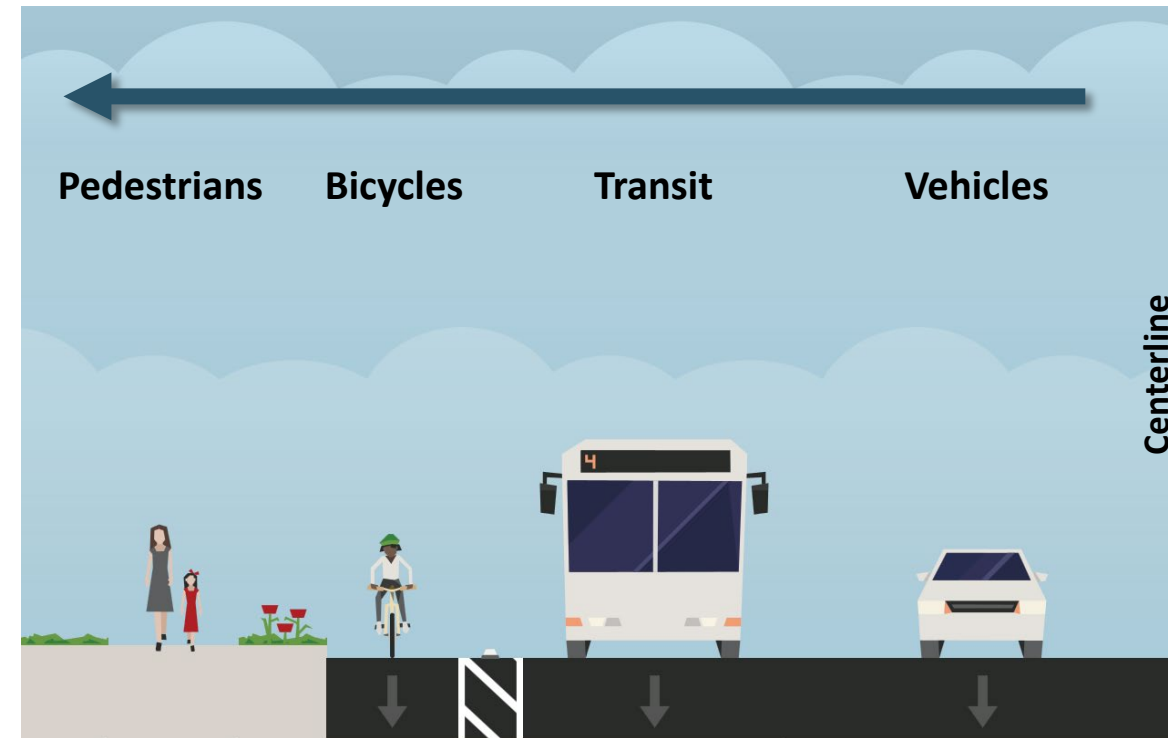
- Right-of-way based on roadway classification and all travel modes
 - Travel lanes
 - Medians and turn lanes
 - Sidewalks and shared-use paths
 - Bikeways
 - Drainage
 - Other roadside requirements
- Design criteria
 - City Code of Ordinances
 - TxDOT Roadway Design Guide
 - NACTO Design Guides

Minor Collector



Network Needs and Flexibility

- ▲ City strategic priority to expand our networks to connect all areas by multiple modes of transportation
- ▲ Ensuring the right-of-way serves all modes of transportation while enabling flexible design in context
- ▲ Consistent layout to create a uniform experience for road users with pleasing aesthetic quality



When is the Thoroughfare Plan used?

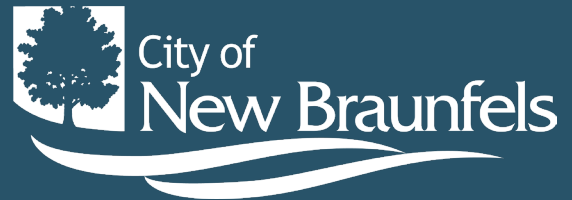
- ▲ Tool used during the development master plan and plat process for right-of-way dedication and street construction
- ▲ Platting Ordinance Section 118-46(t)
- ▲ Internal streets
 - Developer responsible for the dedication and construction of all local and collector streets
 - At least 2 lanes for an arterial street supported by a Traffic Impact Analysis
- ▲ Perimeter (adjacent) streets
 - Developer responsible for dedication
 - All subdivisions shall have 24' adequate access
- ▲ *City code provision to ensure Thoroughfare Plan requirements (and other municipal infrastructure costs) are roughly proportionate to development*

Other Thoroughfare Plan Uses

- ▲ Component of the Comprehensive Plan
- ▲ Basis of the Roadway Impact Fee Program
- ▲ Assists in identifying planning studies, connectivity opportunities, and projects
- ▲ Coordinated with TxDOT, county, and adjacent agencies' thoroughfare plans
- ▲ Coordinated with the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization



Thoroughfare Plan Update



Thoroughfare Plan Update

- ▲ The existing Thoroughfare Plan was approved by the City Council in 2012
- ▲ Various amendments have been approved by the City Council to date
- ▲ Planned update in 2020 was not completed due to various factors
- ▲ Current effort to update the 2012 plan to reflect current conditions
- ▲ Support the upcoming Pedestrian & Bicycle Network Plan and Roadway Impact Fee Update (2025-2026)



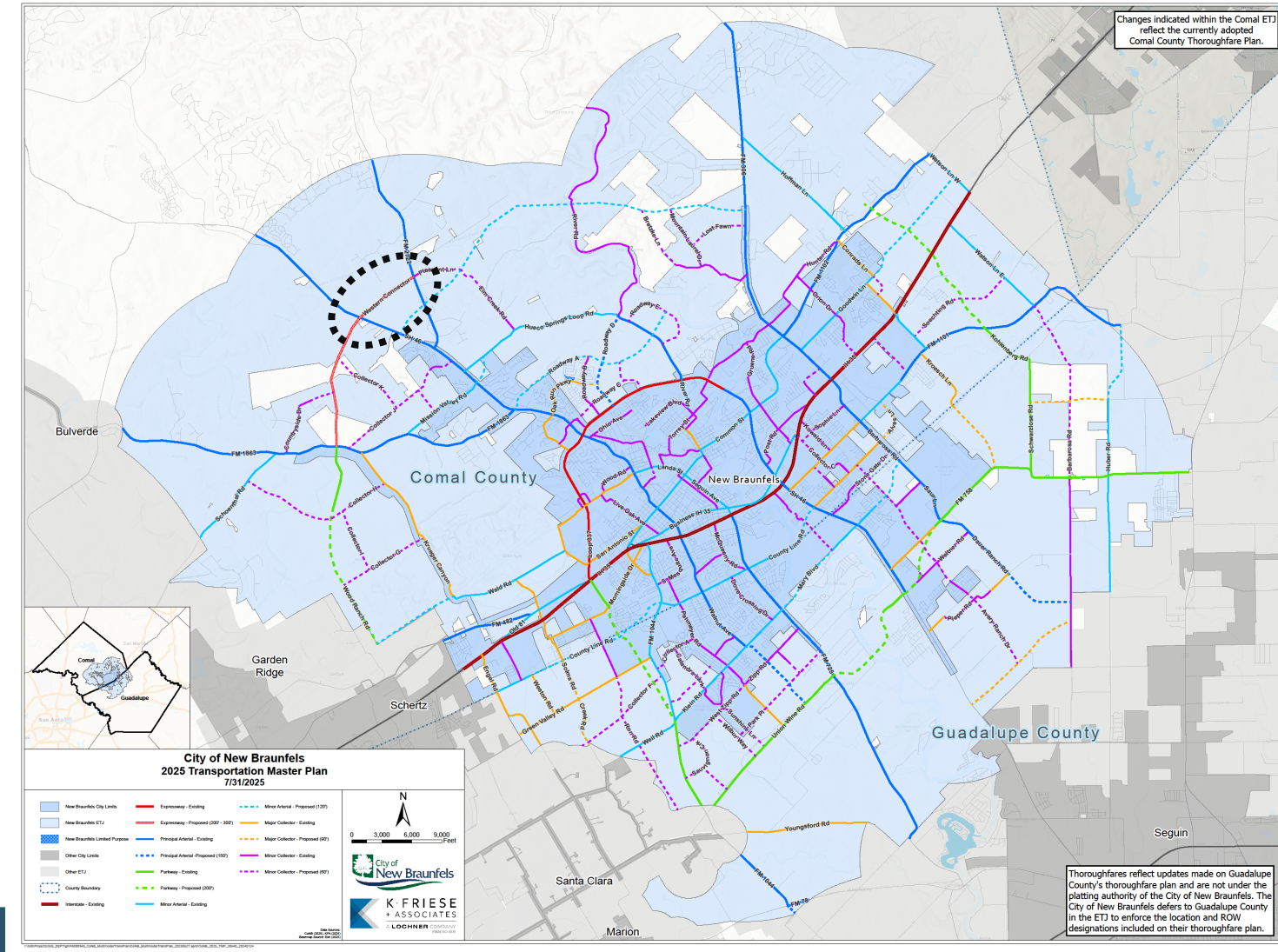
What has been done so far?

- ▲ Updating alignments and including roads and developments that have been built since 2012
- ▲ Removed classifications from roads that do not need dedication as part of the subdivision plat process
- ▲ Regional Coordination
 - Comal County
 - Guadalupe County – *also updating their thoroughfare map*
 - City of Seguin – *also updating their thoroughfare map*
 - TxDOT
 - Veramendi and Mayfair
- ▲ Public Comments and Planning Commission Presentation



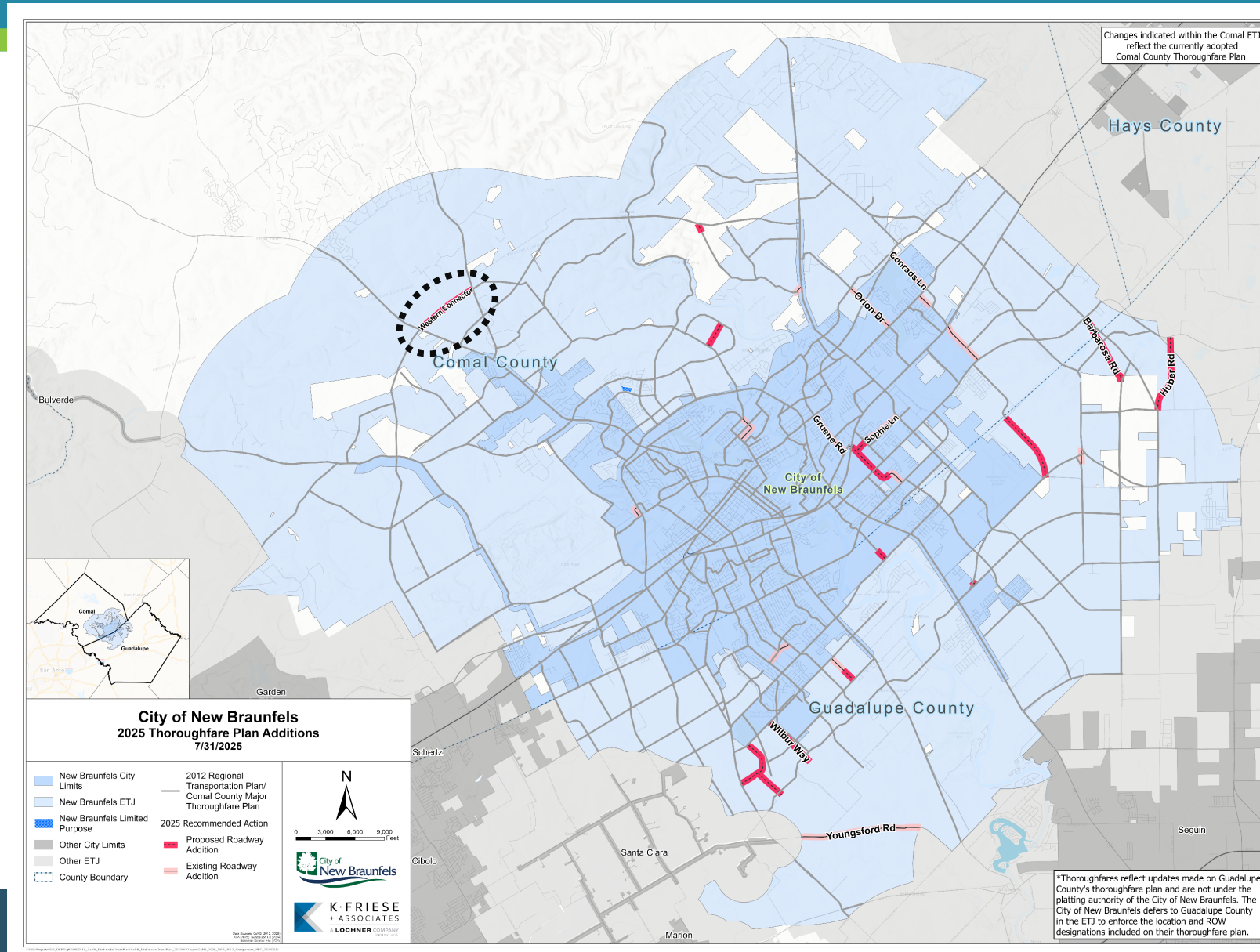
Current Draft Update

- Draft update including all staff/agency/consultant recommended changes
- Final version will be posted online and utilized for the subdivision plat process and transportation planning
- Applicable to city limits and Comal County ETJ
- Guadalupe County ETJ is governed by their thoroughfare plan



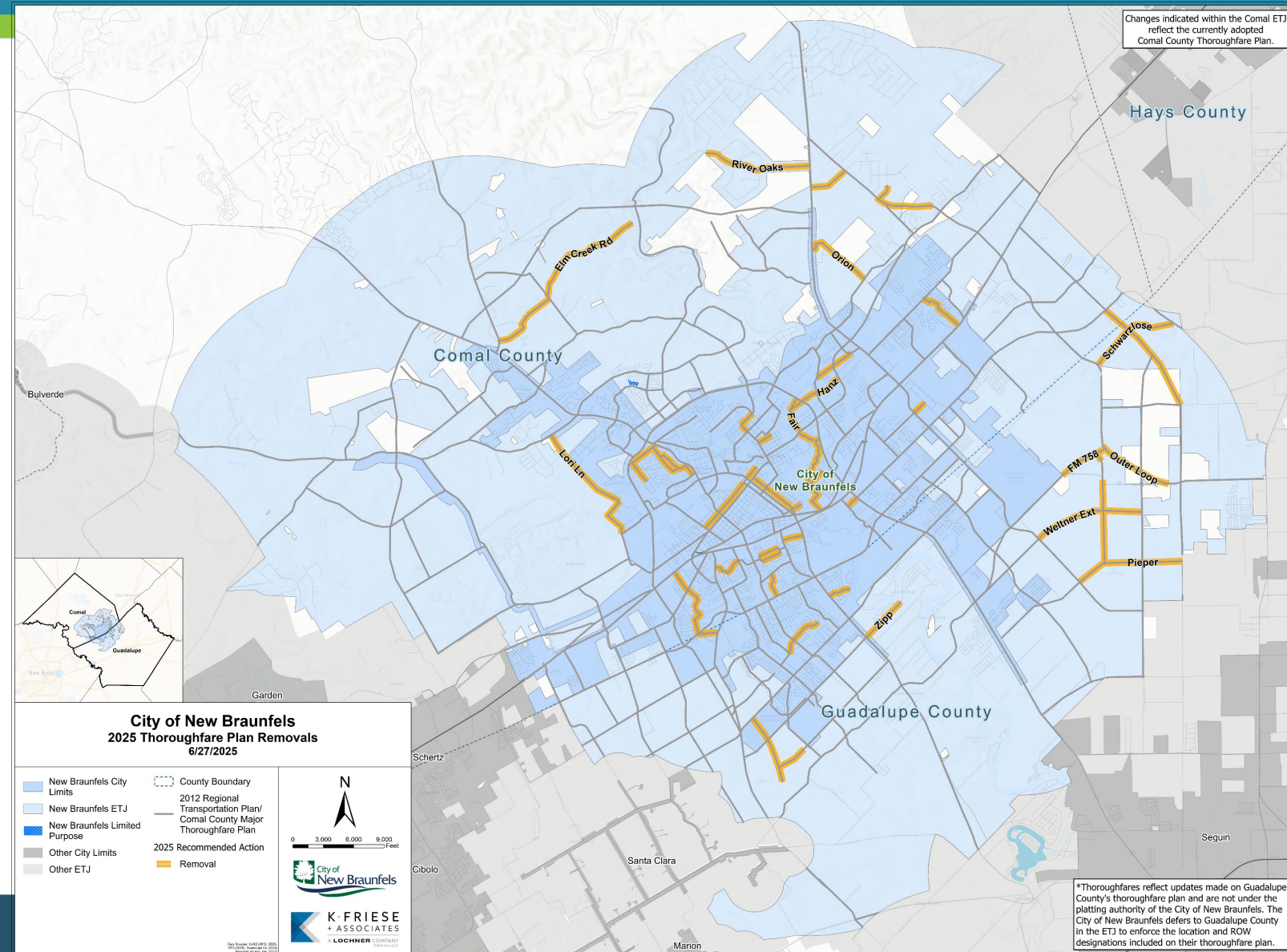
Additions

- ▲ Clean-up connections
- ▲ Large master planned development coordination
- ▲ Developer requests
- ▲ Veramendi
- ▲ Guadalupe County considerations (not final)



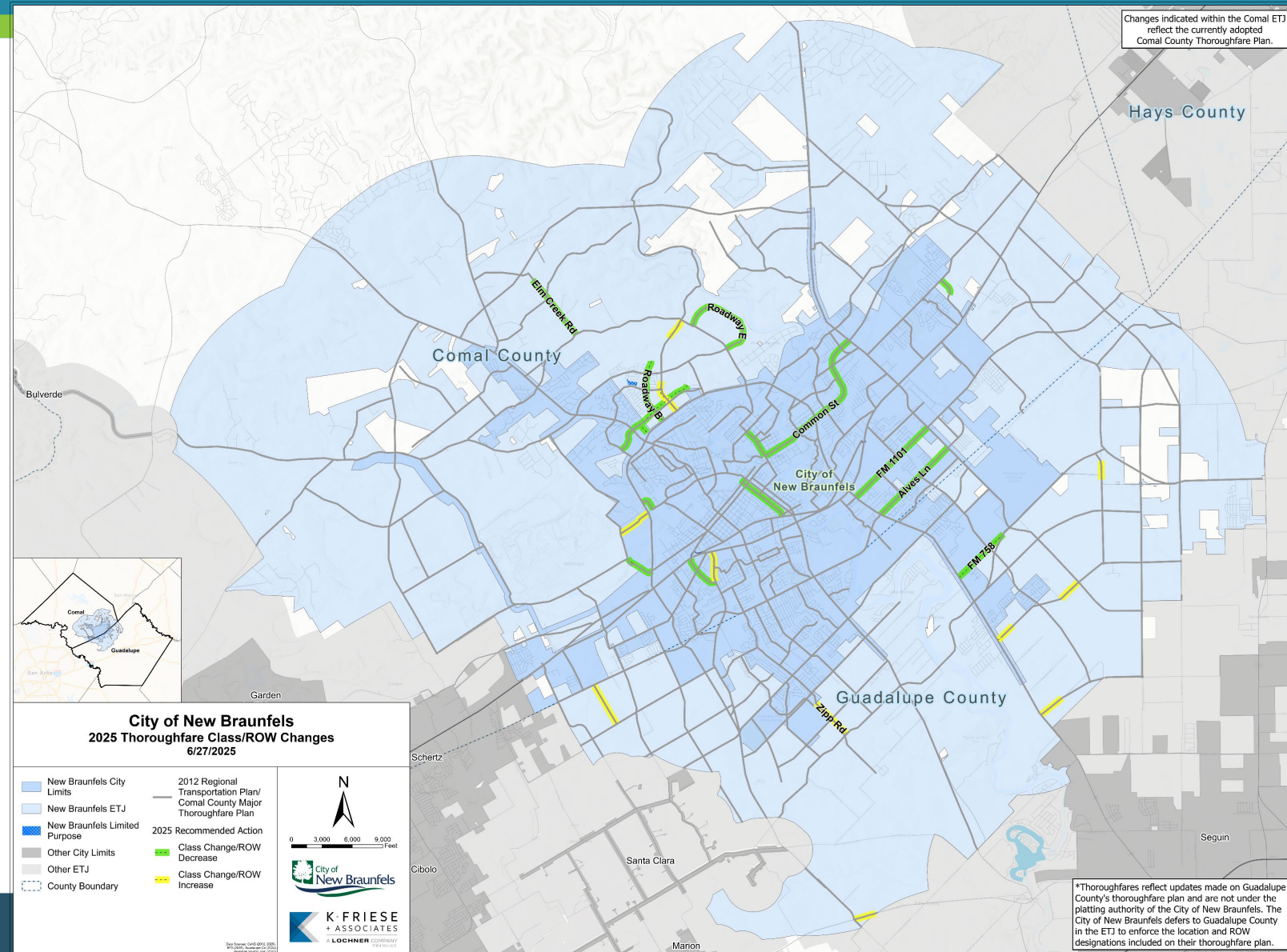
Removals

- Established streets that do not require additional right-of-way
- Existing land use and development opportunities result in infeasible thoroughfare
- Guadalupe County considerations (not final)



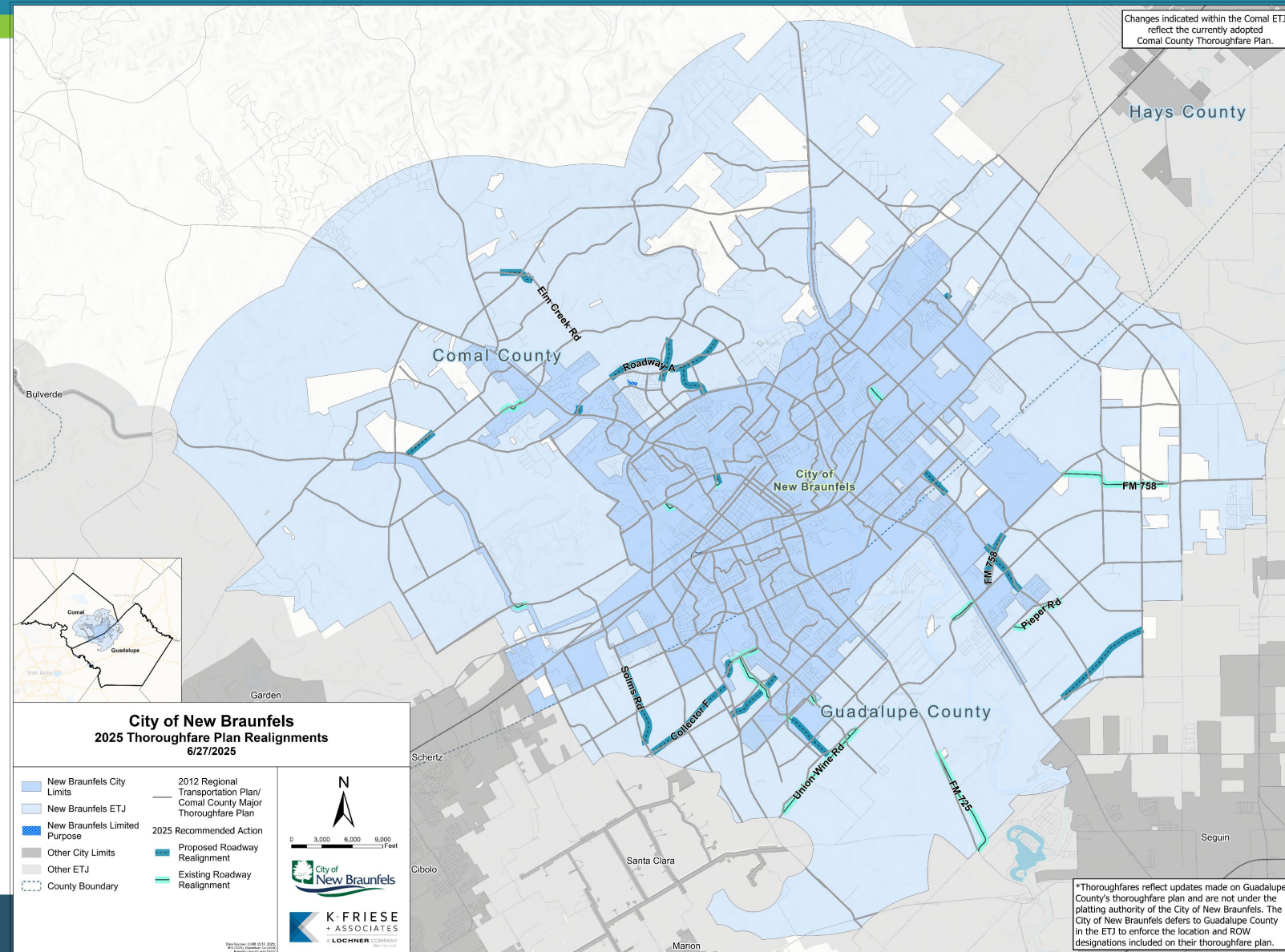
Right-of-Way Changes

- ▲ The majority are a decrease based on surrounding development, constraints, and capital projects
- ▲ Veramendi
- ▲ Consistent with county thoroughfare connections

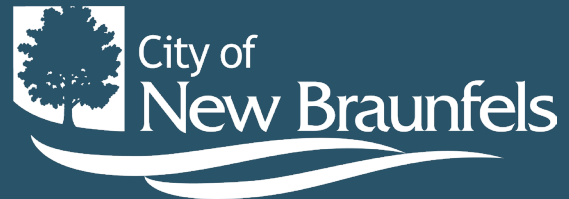


Realignments

- Large master planned development coordination
- Veramendi
- More logical and cleaner connections
- Guadalupe County considerations (not final)



Public Outreach Summary



Public Meeting Overview

▲ PURPOSE

- To introduce the City of New Braunfels' updated draft Thoroughfare Plan
- To receive input from the community on the plan

▲ LOGISTICS

- Thursday, May 22, 2025
- City of New Braunfels City Hall – Tejas Room
- Two (2) workshops held
 - 5 – 6 p.m. **Property Owner Workshop**
 - 6:30 – 8 p.m. **Public Workshop**
- Opportunity to comment/fill out online survey

▲ FEATURES

- Staffed by the City of New Braunfels and consultants
- Interactive stations for attendees to browse
 - Exhibits for the Thoroughfare Plan
 - Map Station
 - Interactive Feedback Boards
 - Survey/Comment Station



Outreach and Promotion

PROPERTY OWNER WORKSHOP

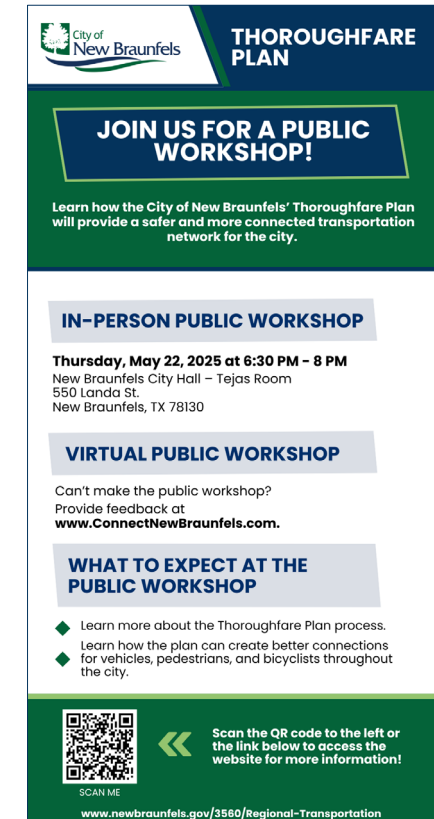
- Postcards mailed to 96 property owners
- Invitation-only

PUBLIC WORKSHOP

- Info posted to the City's website
- Flyers mailed to elected officials, public officials, and stakeholders
- Social media posts
- Advertised in the New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung
- Media Advisory used by the City



Copy of the postcard to property owners



Copy of the display advertisement

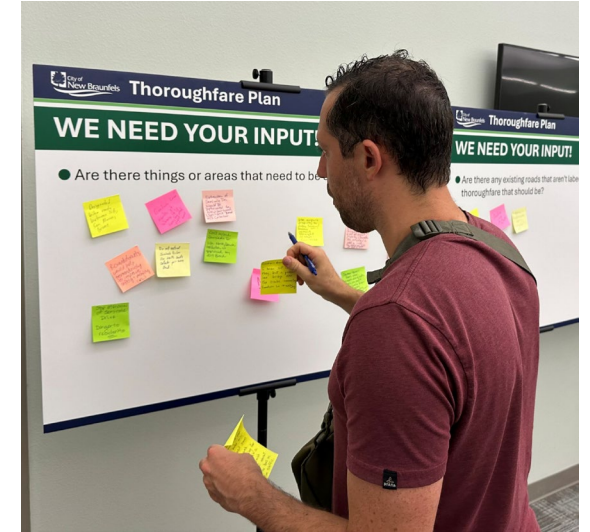
Affected Properties

- ▲ Seeing a significant change on their property from the 2012 plan
 - New proposed alignment has shifted onto their property
 - Right-of-way width has expanded
 - Existing road adjacent to their property was added to the plan
- ▲ NONE OF THESE CHANGES AFFECTS ANY EXISTING PROPERTY LINES.
 - Only comes into effect if/when the property is platted



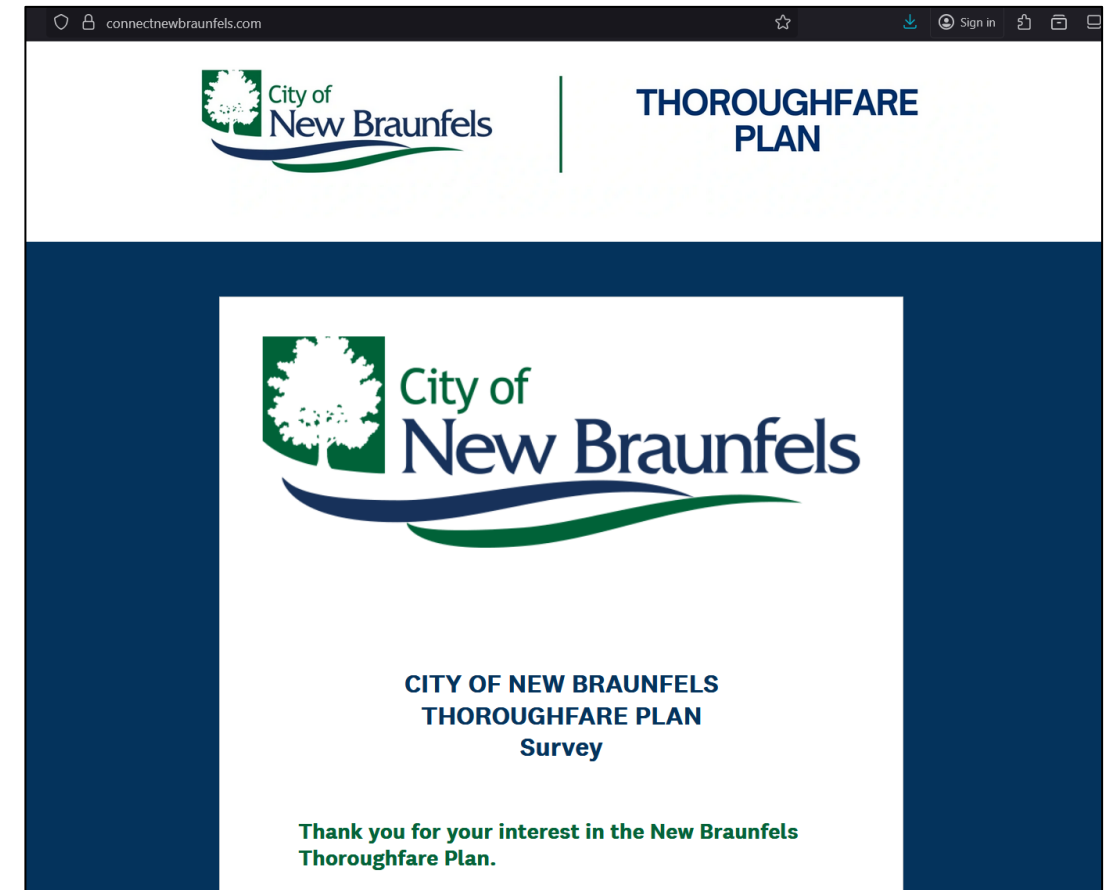
*May 22-June 22, 2025 Comment Period

- ▲ Kicked-off by the Property Owner Workshop and Public Meeting held at City Hall
 - 143 total attendees
- ▲ 235 comments (Online Surveys, Emails, Meeting Activities)
- ▲ 2 meetings with property owners



*July 1-July 15, 2025 Comment Period

- ▲ Comments received after June 22 were also included for consideration in this comment period
- ▲ 43 Comments (Surveys, Emails, Letters, Voicemails)
- ▲ 3 meetings with property owners



- ▲ Concerns about the pace and compatibility of growth with existing infrastructure
- ▲ Strong interest in preserving established neighborhoods and community character
- ▲ Emphasis on protecting environmental resources and maintaining quality-of-life
- ▲ Community desire for continued focus on traffic safety and proactive planning

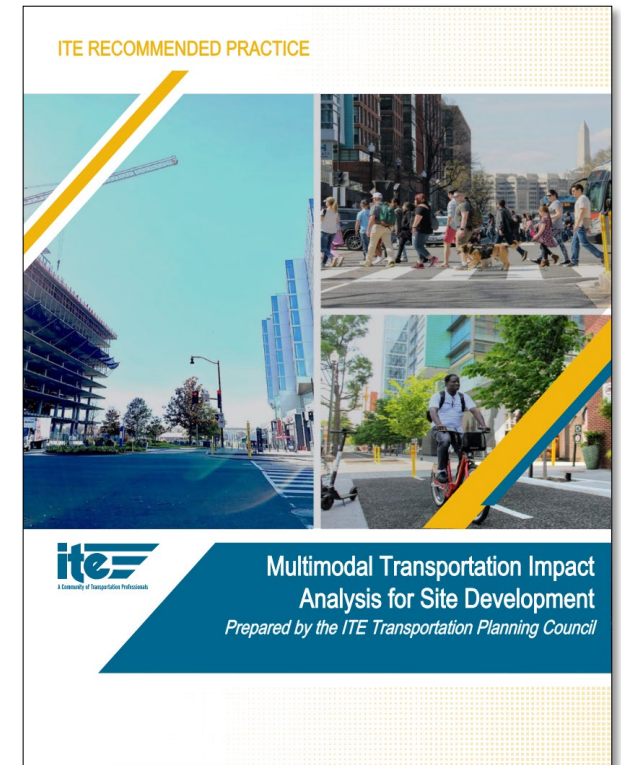
- ▲ Mixed perspectives on long-term growth strategies and need for continued dialogue
- ▲ Heightened awareness of development impacts on water availability and environmental impact
- ▲ Support for collaborative, regional approaches to improving mobility and connectivity
- ▲ Expressed gratitude for opportunity to share feedback and learn more about the plan
- ▲ Willingness to support well-planned improvements

*Updated Themes

- ▲ Minor alignment shifts to account for existing buildings missed during initial review
- ▲ Emphasis on road improvements related to new development
 - Traffic safety
 - New/updated facilities
 - Traffic impacts
 - Development requirements

*Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA)

- ▲ Intended to analyze transportation demands of land use and determine improvements to the adjacent and nearby transportation system
- ▲ Required in the City and Comal County ETJ for master plan, plat, permit, and driveway access
- ▲ TIA type and study area dependent on development type
 - Roadway and intersection capacity
 - Site accessibility – access management, circulation, pedestrian, bicycle, and transit connectivity
 - Neighborhood traffic control plan
 - School accessibility and traffic control plan



*Subdivision Plat Street Requirements

- ▲ *Street layout.* Adequate streets are provided with existing and planned streets, topographical conditions, public safety, convenience, and relationship to land use.
- ▲ *Streets on city comprehensive plan or thoroughfare plan.* All streets shall be provided in accordance with the adopted thoroughfare plan.
- ▲ *Relation to adjoining street system.* Existing streets shall be continued, where necessary, to maintain the neighborhood pattern.
- ▲ *Projection of streets.* Proper projection of streets into unsubdivided areas.
- ▲ *Dead-end streets.* Permanent dead-end streets shall be prohibited except for short stubs to permit future expansion.
- ▲ *Cul-de-sac.* A cul-de-sac street shall not be more than 1,000 ft.



*Emergency Access

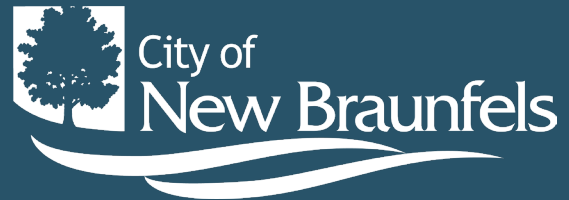
CODE OF ORDINANCES CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS

Chapter 54 - FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION; EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES[1]

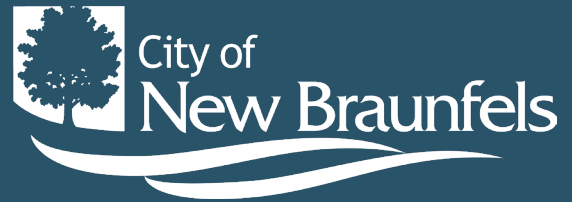
Section D107.1 One-or two-family dwelling residential developments.

- ▲ Developments of one- or two-family dwellings where the number of dwelling units exceeds 30 must provide two separate fire apparatus access roads approved by the City.
- ▲ Exceptions:
 1. Where there are more than 30 but fewer than 126 dwelling units in a development, and all roadways throughout the development have at least 40 feet of pavement width, secondary emergency access is not required.
 2. The number of dwelling units on a single fire apparatus access road may not be increased unless fire apparatus access roads will connect with future development, as determined by the fire code official.

Public Comment Requests

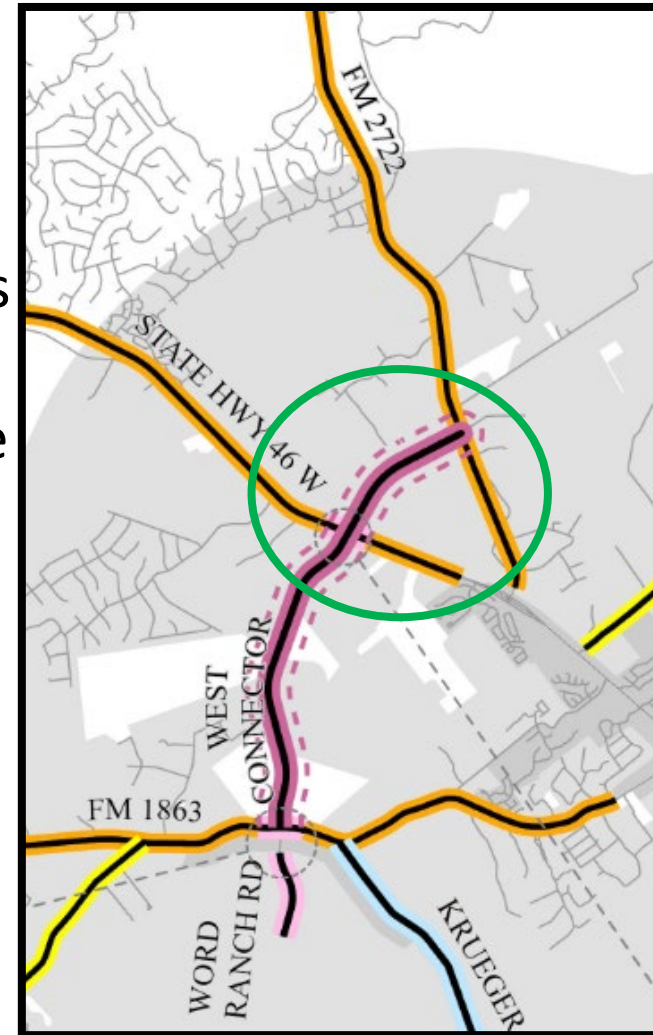



















Additions



Comal County – West Connector (SH46 – FM2722)

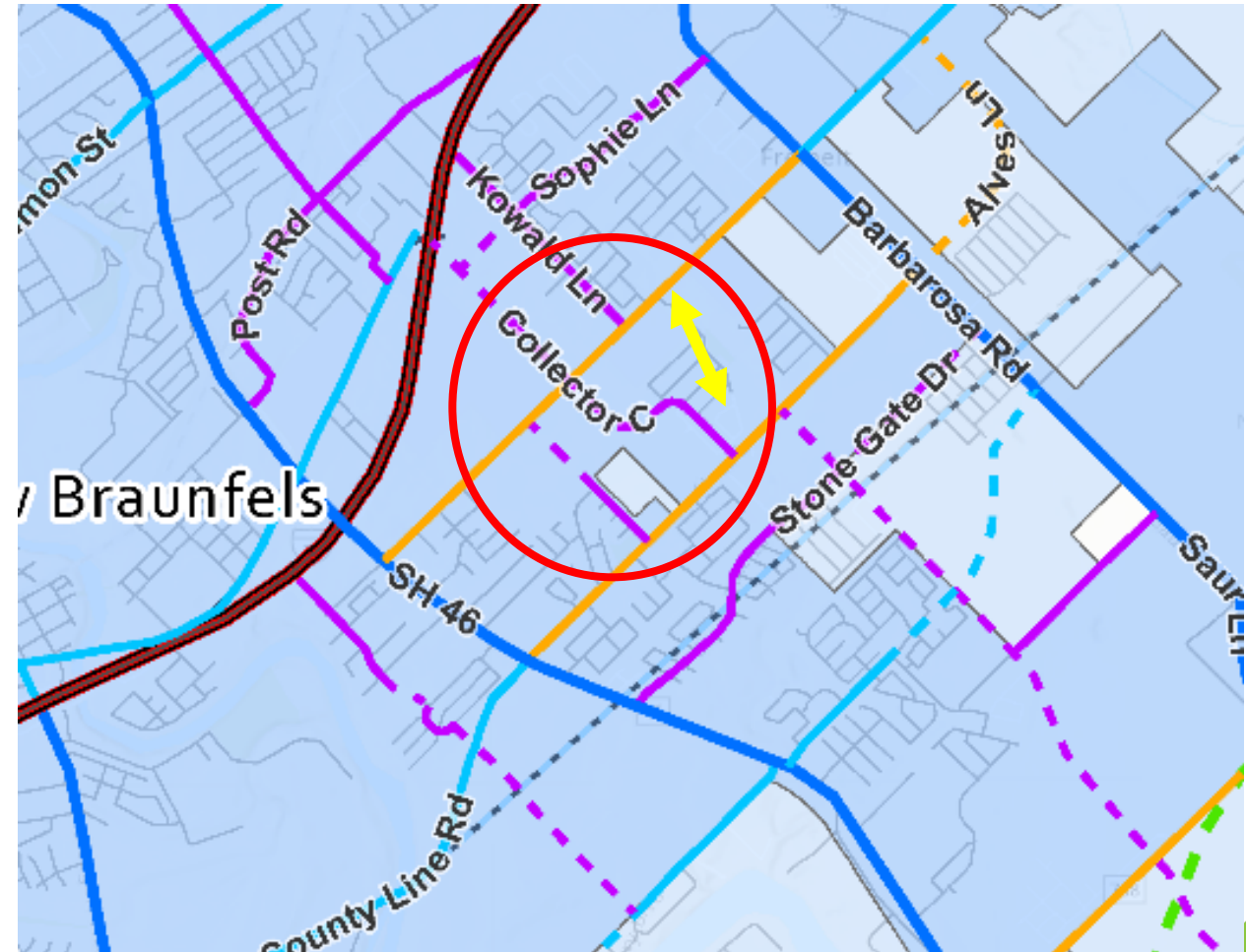
- Added by Comal County
 - “Highway” Thoroughfare added with alignment schematic
 - Adopted by County Commissioners Court on July 31, 2025
 - Included in the City’s Thoroughfare Plan following the Interlocal Agreement with Comal County
- Adopted schematic to continue the connection between SH 46 and FM 2722
- Future road improvements will be led by Comal County



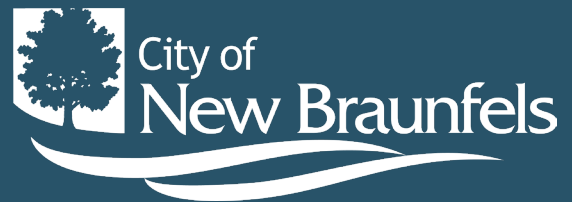
Legend					
	Highway (400')		Rural Collector (80')		Water Bodies
	Highway (200')		Local Road (60')		Comal County
	Highway (150')	Adopted Schematic			Street
	Highway (120')		Adopted Alignment Schematic (250') Order #107 Section b.2.c		Major Roads
	Rural Collector (120')		Adopted Alignment Schematic (150') Order #107 Section b.2.c		City Limits
	Rural Collector (100')				City ETJs
	Rural Collector (90')				

Public Comment – August Fields Area

- ▲ Public Comment Summary
 - 4 comments
 - Additional thoroughfare to relieve traffic on Willowbrook Avenue
- ▲ Willowbrook Ave
 - Local Street
 - 50 ft ROW, 30 ft Pavement
- ▲ Brook Ave
 - Residential Collector Street
 - 60 ft ROW, 36 ft Pavement
- ▲ Brook Ave extension/Collector C is a proposed addition
- ▲ Seminole Dr is in the current Thoroughfare Plan

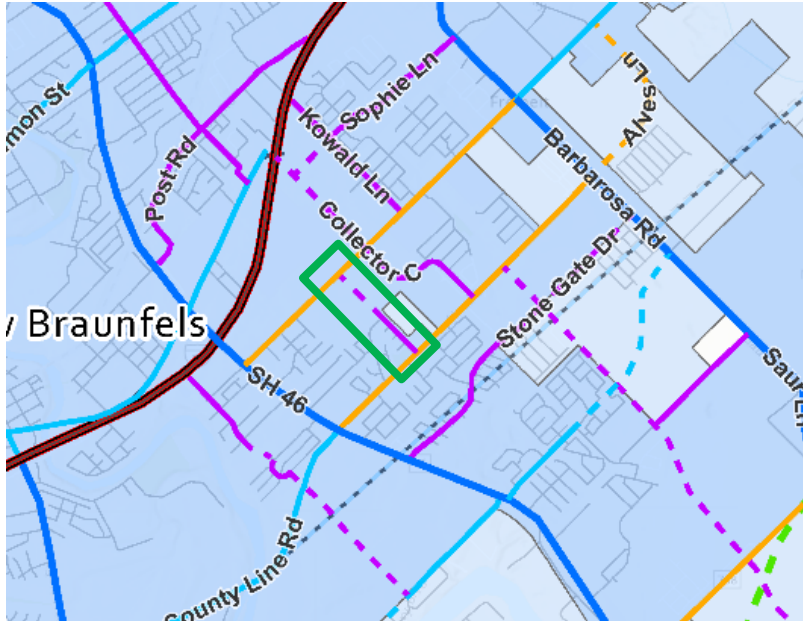


Removals



Public Comment – Seminole Drive Existing Conditions

- Collector Section – 60 ft ROW, 40 ft Pavement
- No sidewalks (Planning Commission variance)
- Stub for roadway extension
- Serves single-family residential lots



Public Comment – Seminole Drive Subdivision History

- ▲ Seminole Drive has been included in the City's thoroughfare plans since 1964
- ▲ Northview Subdivision Master Plan approved in 1985
 - Unit 2 plat approved in 1986
 - Unit 3 plat approved in 1995

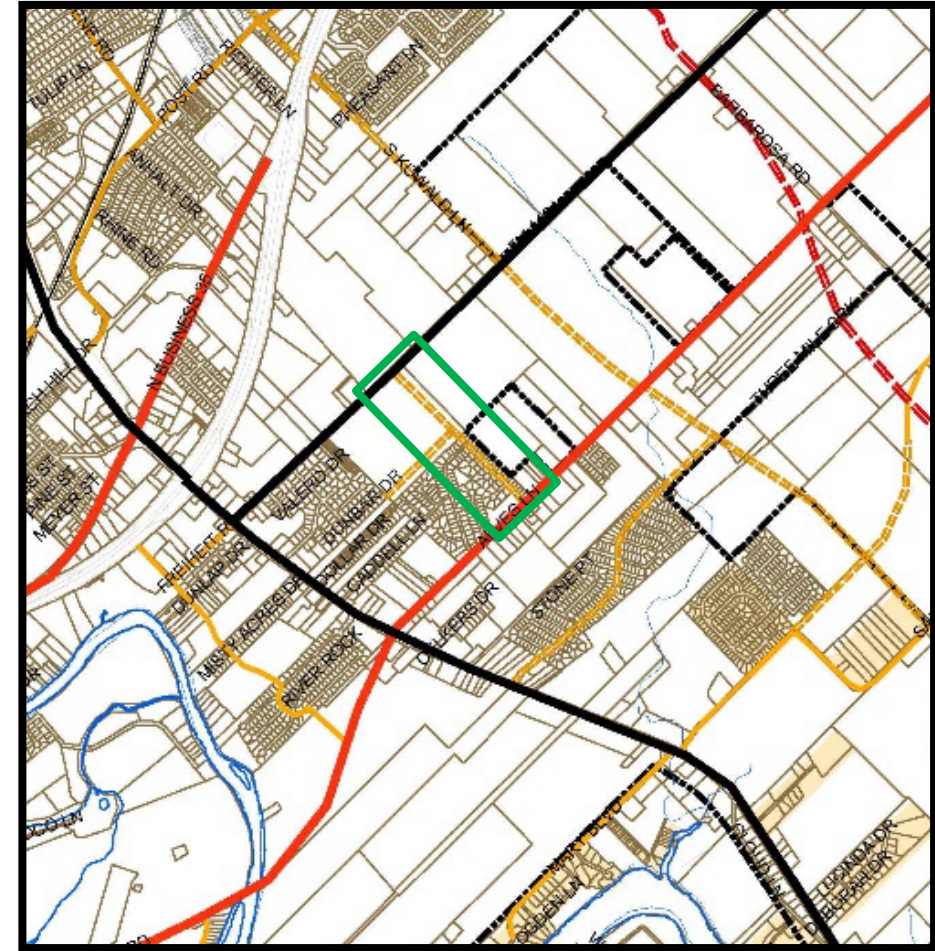


Public Comment – Seminole Drive Thoroughfare Plan History

1964 Thoroughfare Plan

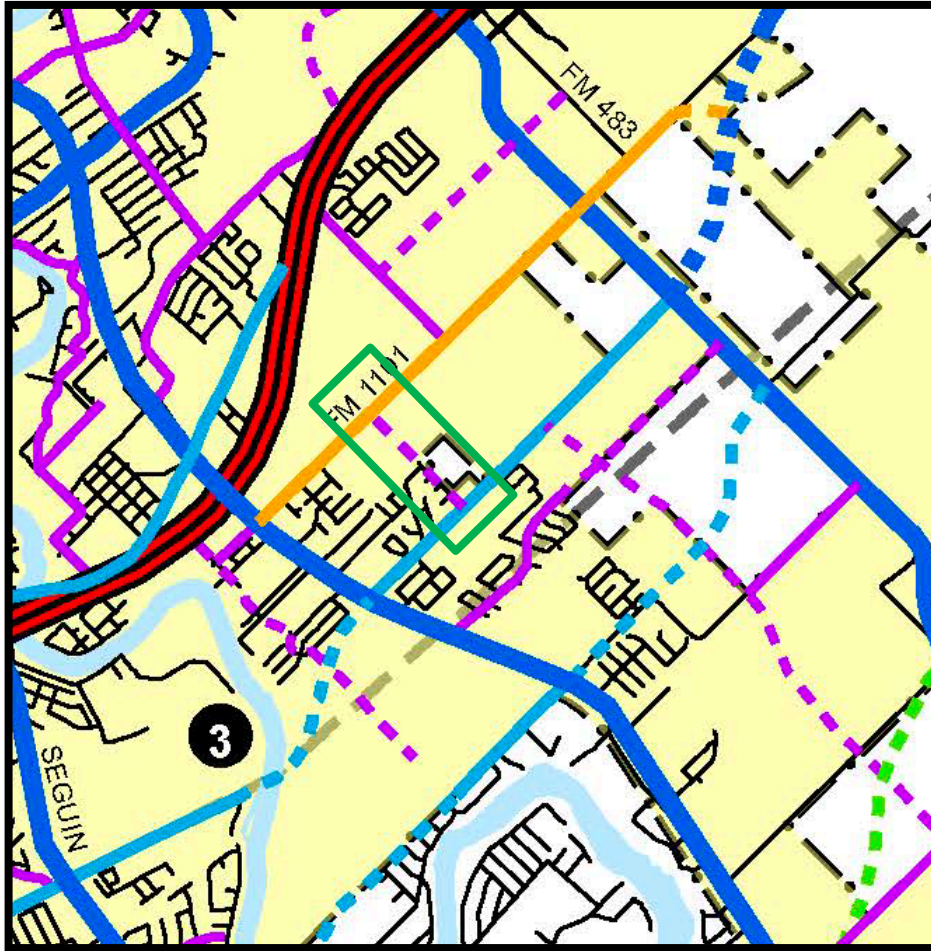


2003 Thoroughfare Plan



Public Comment – Seminole Drive Thoroughfare Plan History

2012 Regional Thoroughfare Plan



- ▲ Removal Request in 2023
 - Remove segment from existing Seminole Dr to FM 1101
 - Associated with an adjacent zoning/special use permit request
 - Processed through the Planning Commission and City Council with public notification and hearing
 - Request Denied by the City Council
- ▲ Special Use Permit in 2024
 - Includes required thoroughfare
 - Approved by the City Council

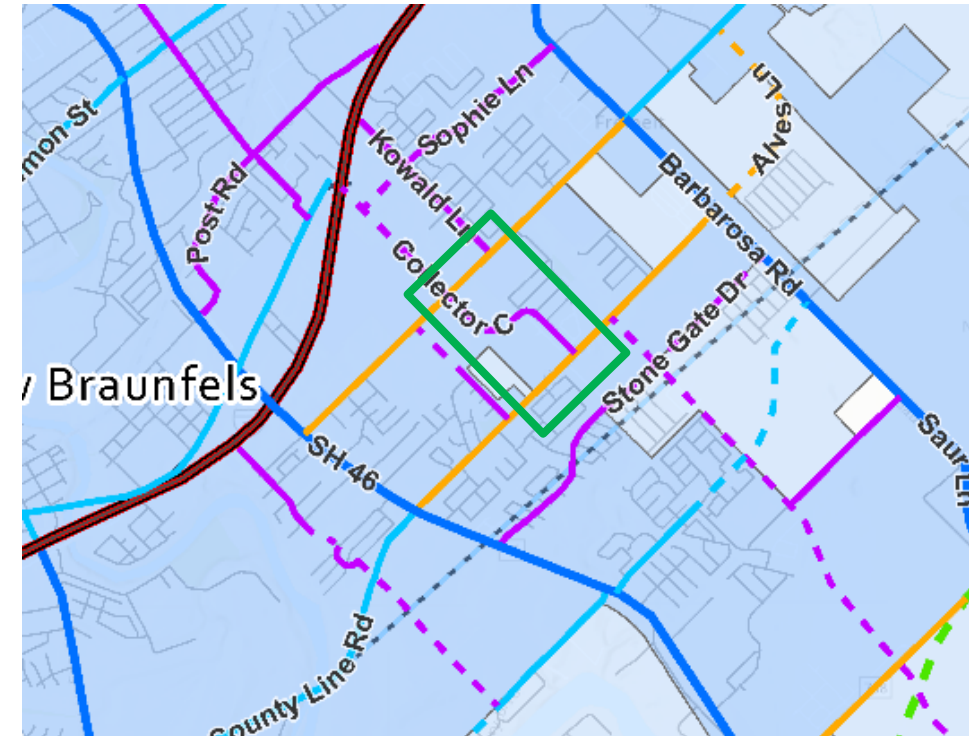
Public Comment – Seminole Drive Staff Review

- ▲ Public Comment Summary
 - 13 requests for removal
 - Street character
 - Traffic safety concerns
 - Comments on the adjacent North-South Collector/Proposed Collector C
- ▲ Thoroughfare extension required with approved Special Use Permit
 - Includes design accommodations to address traffic safety and throughput concerns
 - Requires sidewalk and traffic improvement to existing Seminole Drive
- ▲ Thoroughfare consistent with other Minor Collectors (Stone Gate Dr, Dove Crossing Dr, Orion Dr)
- ▲ Connectivity between FM 1101 and Alves Ln



Public Comment – Seminole Drive Staff Recommendation

- ▲ **Maintain Seminole Drive Minor Collector Thoroughfare with improvements required with Special Use Permit (SUP)**
- ▲ Address resident concerns through Traffic Impact Analysis and development requirements
- ▲ Proposed addition of Collector C to increase connectivity options
- ▲ Thoroughfare removal does not change the requirements of the SUP or extension of a public street



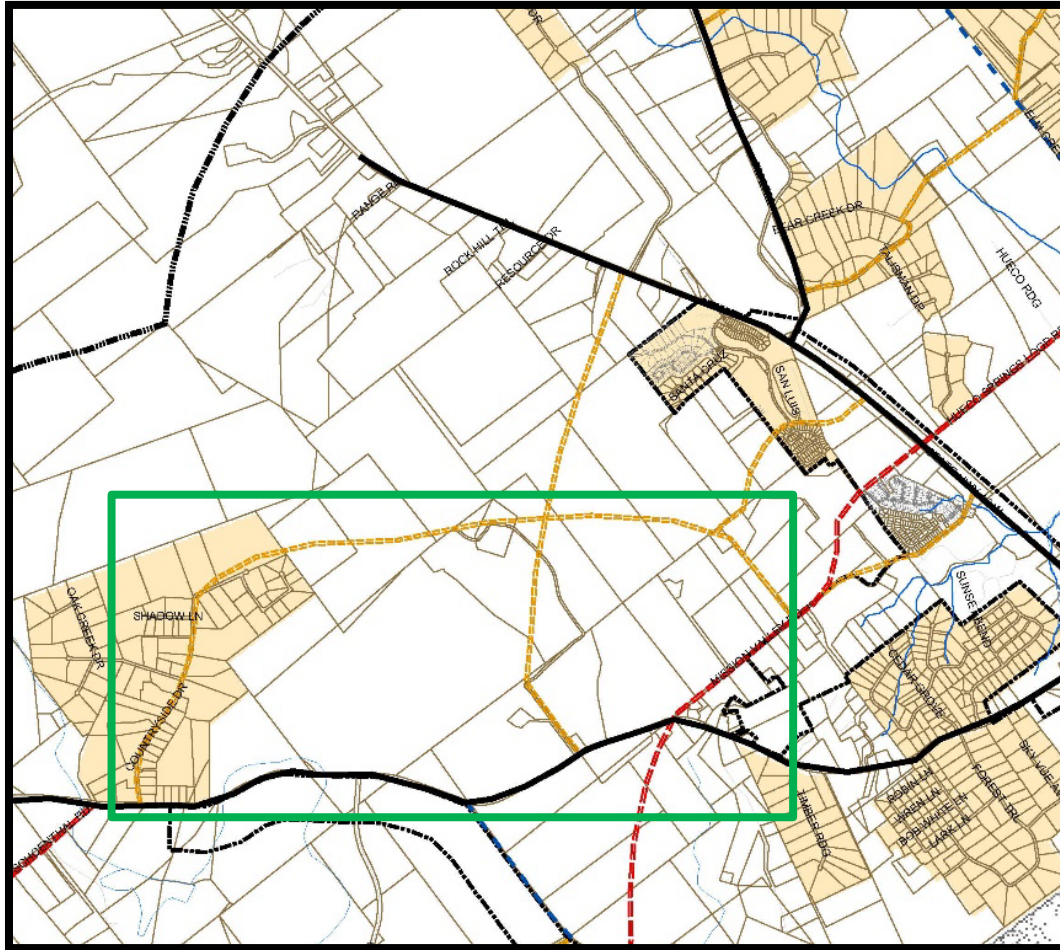
Public Comment – Countryside Drive Existing Conditions

- ▲ Comal County, outside City Limits
- ▲ County rural street
- ▲ 60 ft ROW, ~24 ft Pavement
- ▲ No sidewalks
- ▲ Open ditch drainage
- ▲ Serves primarily large lot residential
- ▲ Cul-de-sac at the end of the existing roadway

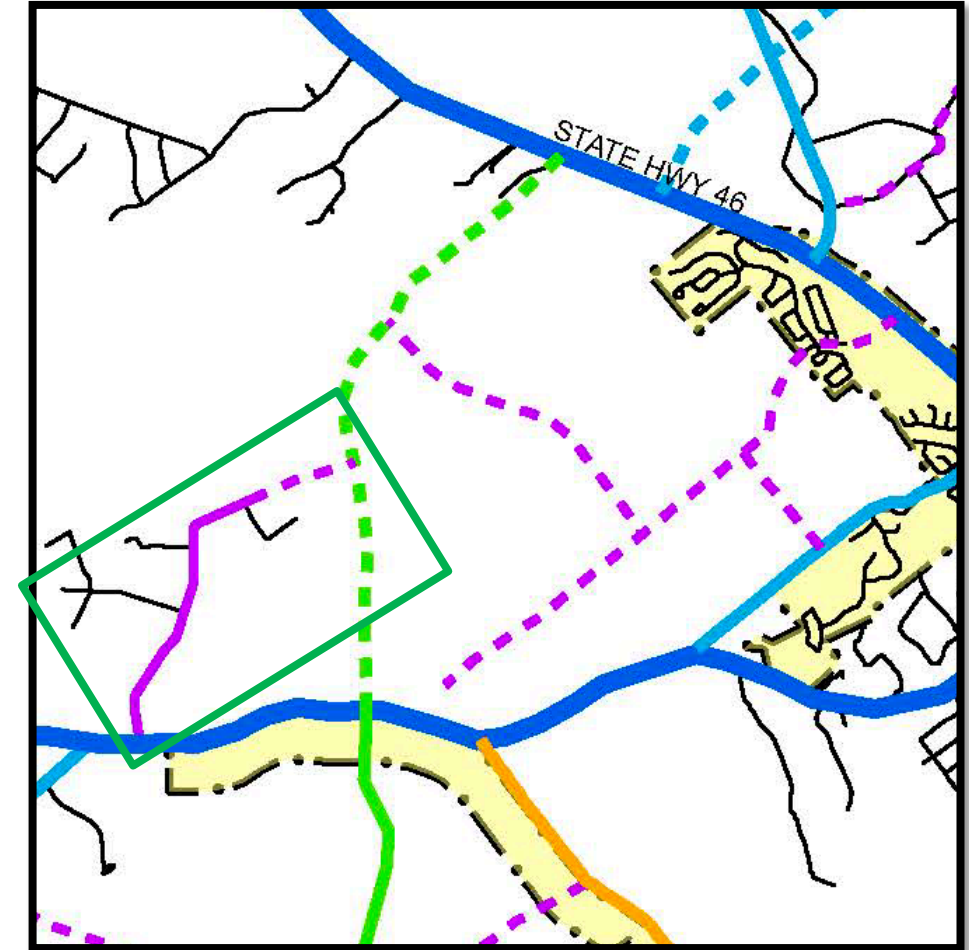


Public Comment – Countryside Drive Thoroughfare Plan History

2003 Thoroughfare Plan



2012 Regional Thoroughfare Plan



Public Comment – Countryside Drive Staff Review

- ▲ Public Comment Summary
 - 10 requests for removal
 - Character of area/road
 - Questions about traffic impact
 - Requests for improvements if it remains on the plan
- ▲ Connection to Proposed West Connector SH 46, FM 1863, and IH 35
- ▲ Large tracts at the end of the roadway



- ▲ **Maintain Countryside Drive Minor Collector Thoroughfare**
- ▲ Recommendation supported by Comal County Engineer
- ▲ Connection and final alignment are dependent on future development
- ▲ Account for improvements to Countryside Drive and environmental concerns in the TIA and development process
- ▲ Future road improvements will be led by Comal County

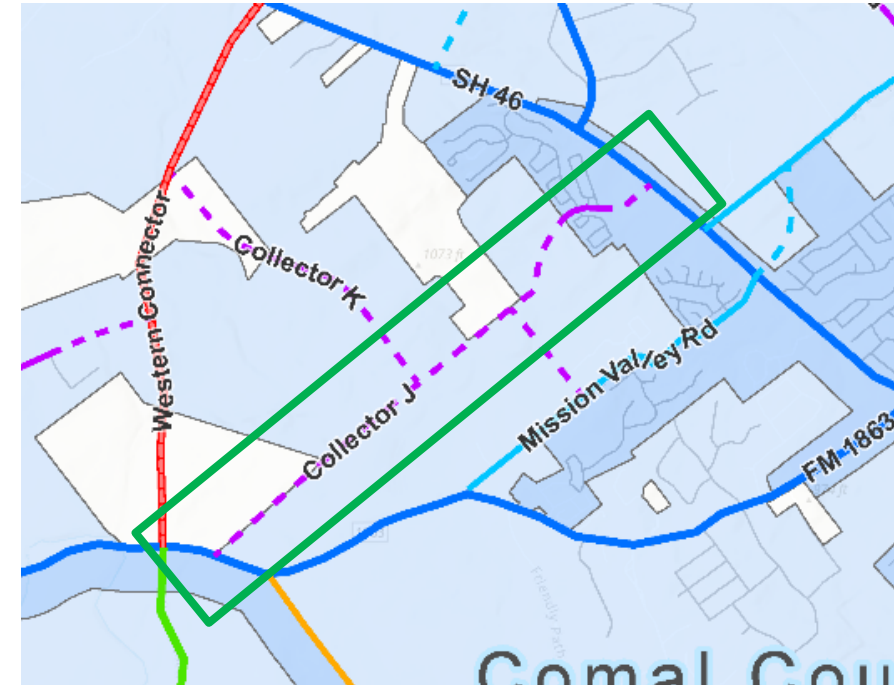
Public Comment – Old Mission Lane/Collector J Existing Conditions

▲ Mission Hills Ranch

- Collector Section – 60 ft ROW, 40 ft Pavement
- Sidewalks on both sides with a buffer to the collector street
- Stubs for collector roadway extensions
- Serves as a collector street for single-family residential lots
- No homes with direct access
- One public access on SH 46 for 400+ lots

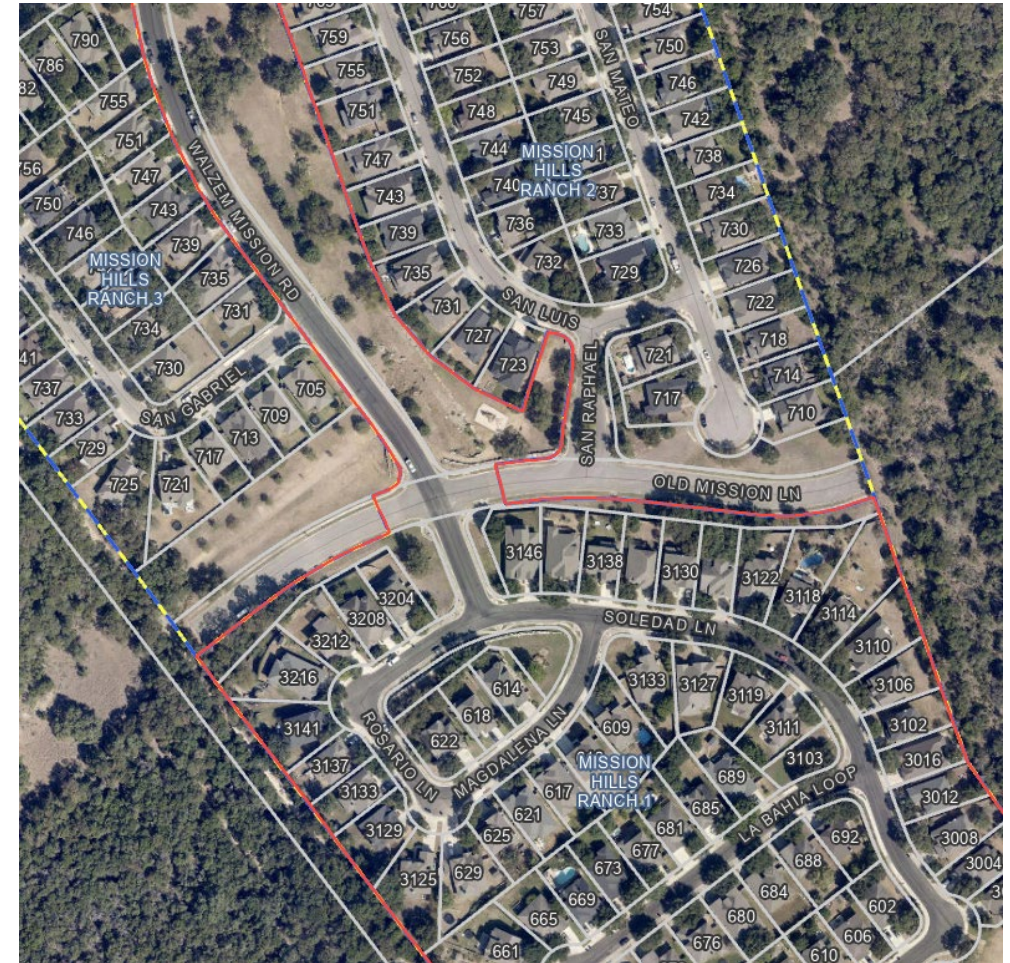
▲ City Limits/Comal County ETJ/Comal County

- ROW reservation/dedication with Purlsong and Porter Tract Developments in Comal County

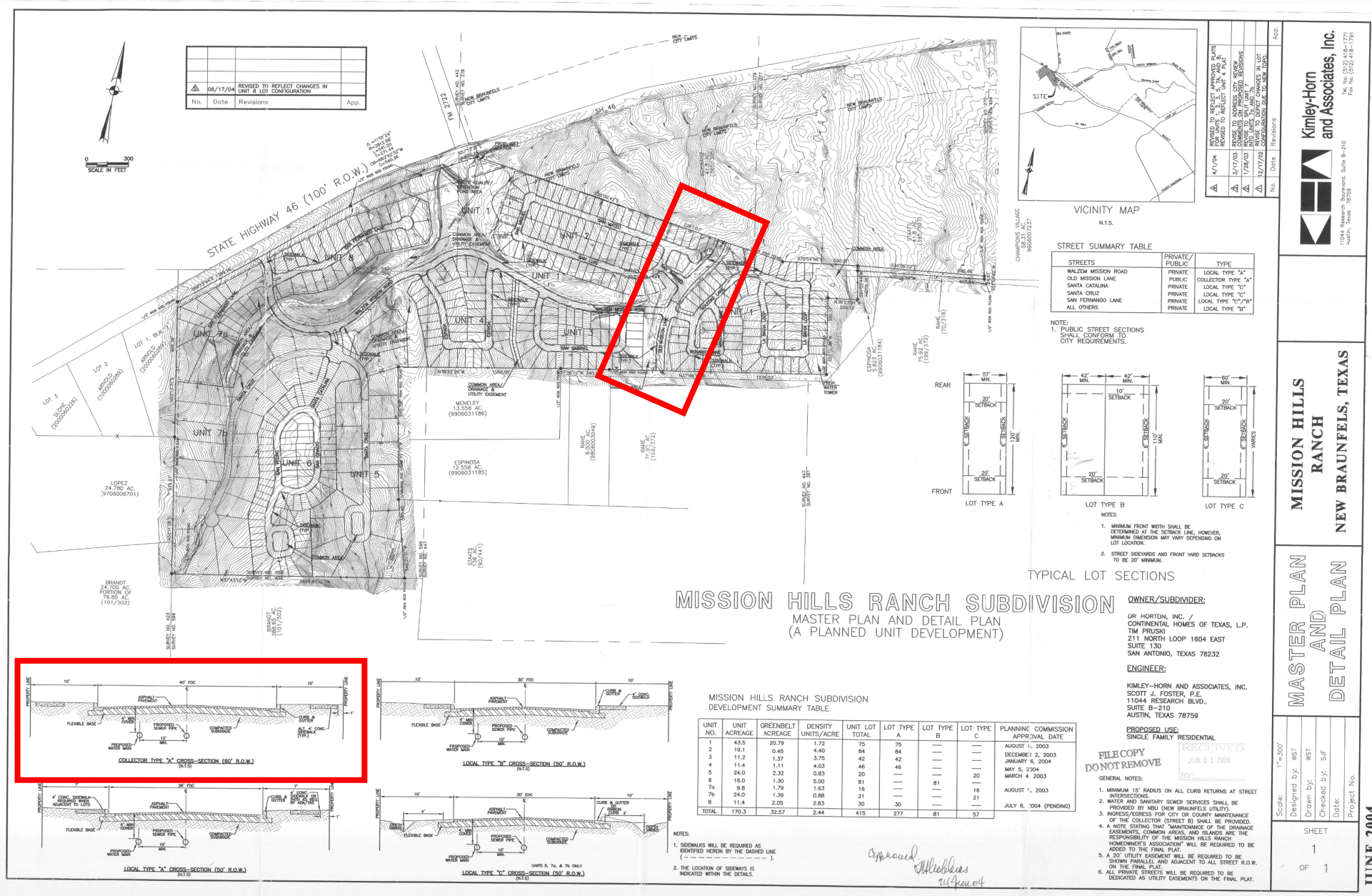


Public Comment – Old Mission Lane/Collector J Subdivision History

- ▲ Old Mission Lane has been included in the City's thoroughfare plans since 2003
- ▲ Mission Hills Ranch Subdivision Master Plan revision approved in 2004
 - Unit 1 plat approved in 2003
 - Unit 2 plat approved in 2004
 - Unit 3 plat recorded in 2005
- ▲ Collector “stubs” provided to meet Fire Apparatus Access requirements with future adjacent development

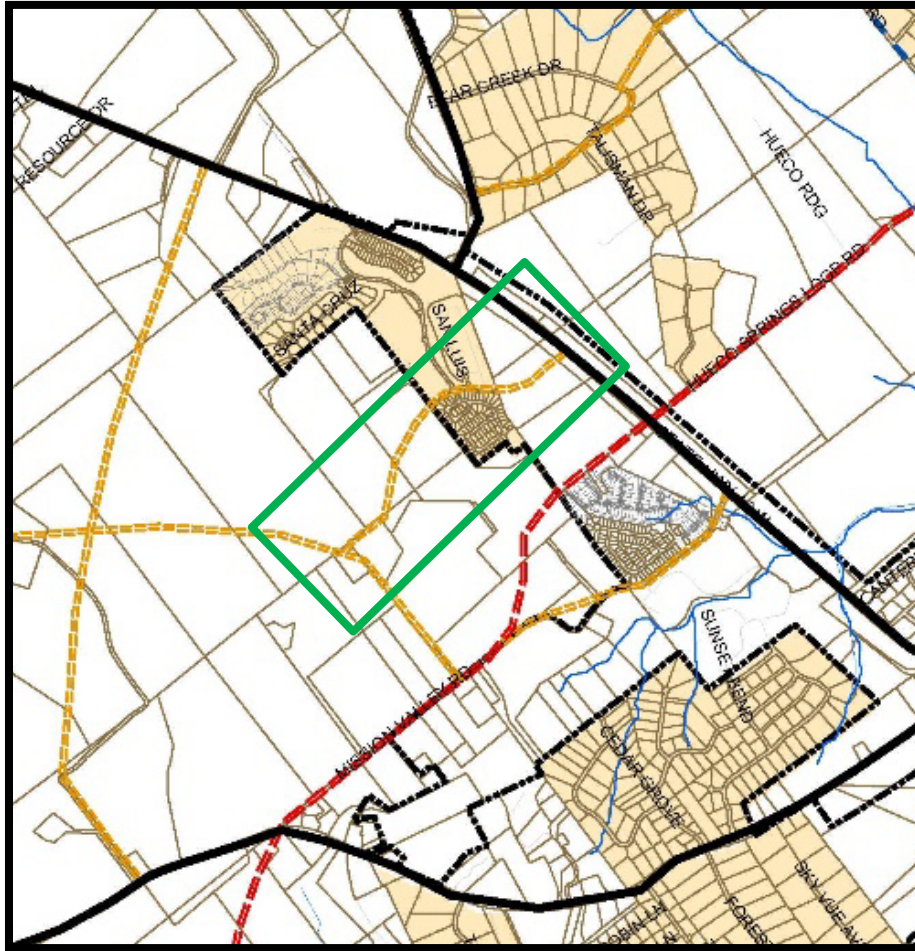


Source: Comal County Engineer's Office Website (cco.org) Subdivision Plats

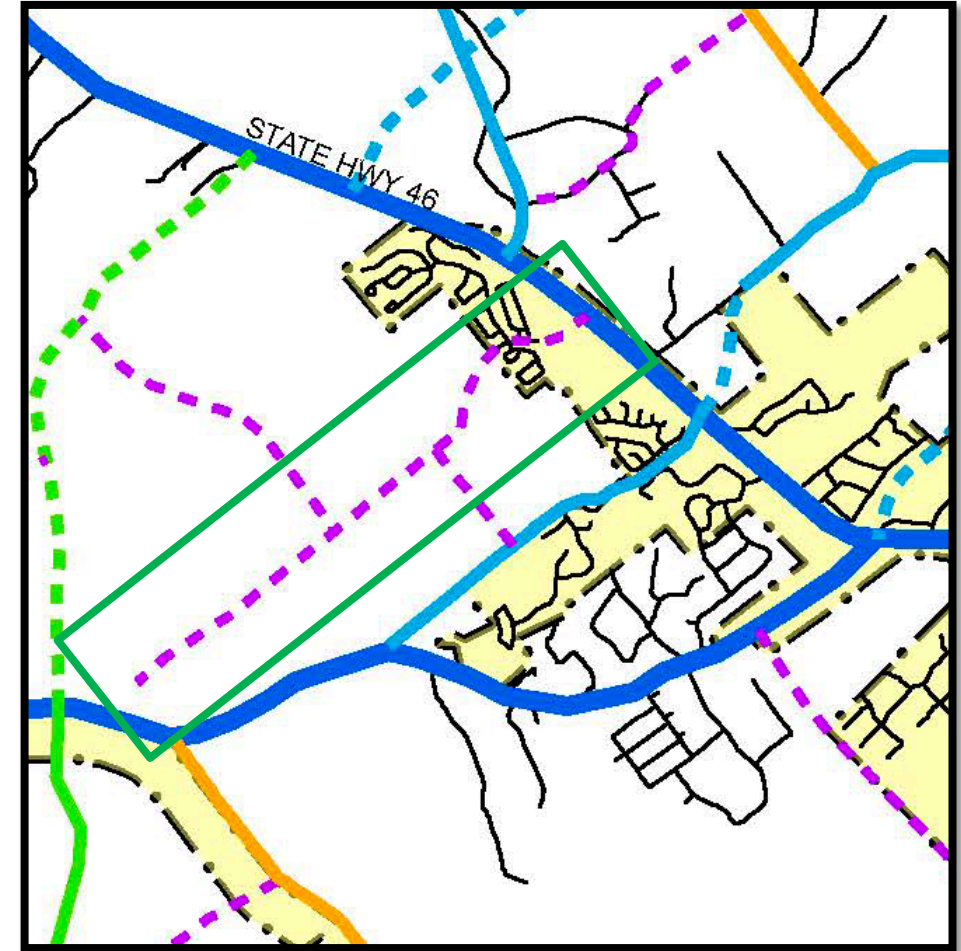


Public Comment – Old Mission Lane/Collector J Thoroughfare Plan History

2003 Thoroughfare Plan



2012 Regional Thoroughfare Plan



Public Comment – Old Mission Lane/Collector J Staff Review

Public Comment Summary

- 22 requests for removal
- Affected property owner request to maintain “as-is”
- Concerns about maintaining community character
- Speed and traffic control
- Alignment concerns around historic cemetery site

Connectivity to SH 46, FM 1863, and future developments

Segment from Walzem Mission Rd to SH 46 is on the City’s Hike and Bike Trail Plan – Future enhanced ped and bike facility

Mission Hills Ranch includes over 400 dwelling units and requires emergency access...



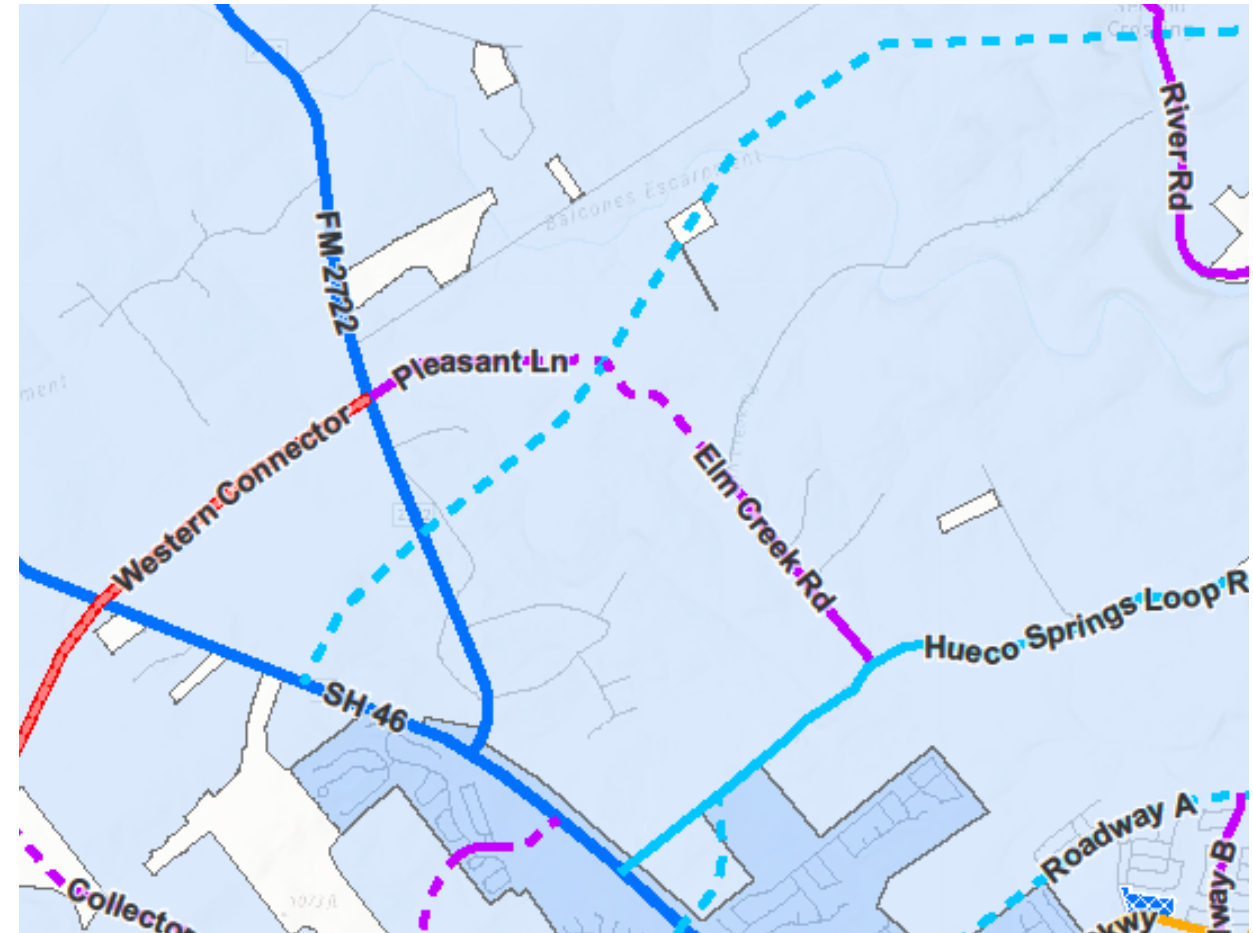
Public Comment – Old Mission Lane/Collector J Staff Recommendation



- ▲ **Maintain Old Mission Lane/Collector J Minor Collector Thoroughfare**
- ▲ Address resident concerns through Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) and development requirements
 - Appropriate intersection and collector traffic control (signals, markings, signs)
 - SH 46 intersection coordinated with Texas Department of Transportation
- ▲ Removal conflicts with 2004 master plan and plat approval regarding “stubs” and future connections meeting fire code requirements
- ▲ Adjacent development allowed to connect to stubs for access with or without a thoroughfare designation
- ▲ Accounting for historically sensitive areas in final alignment determination

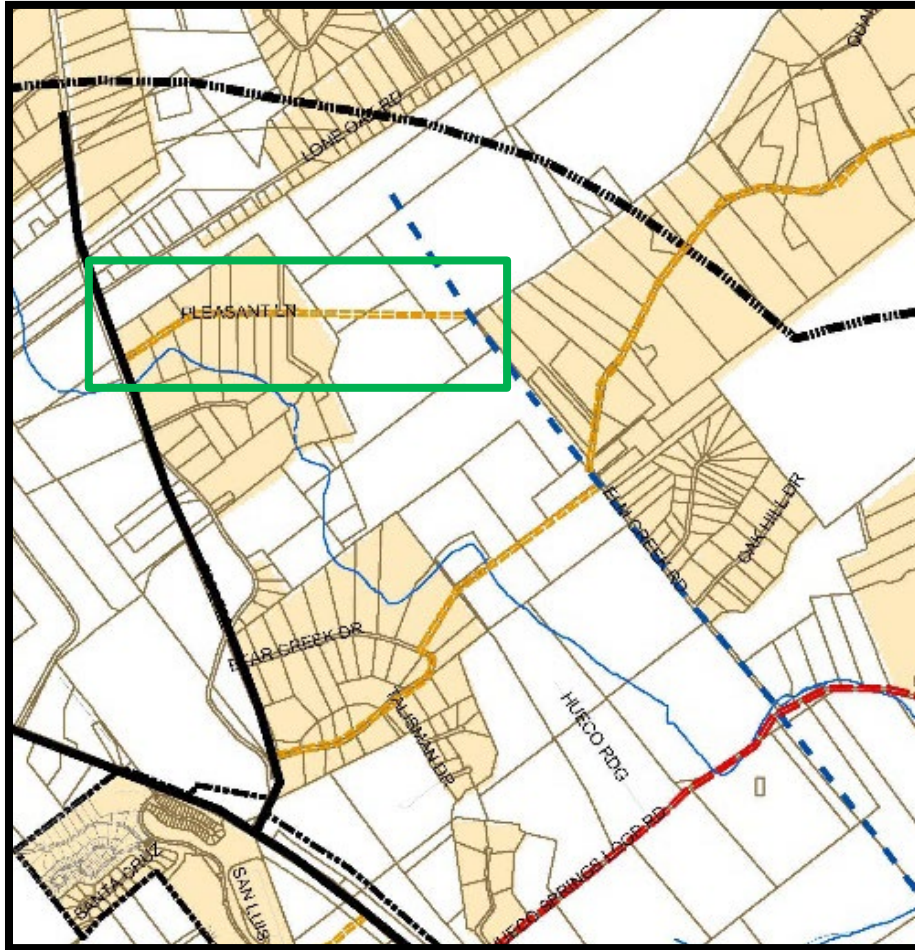
Public Comment – Pleasant Lane Existing Conditions

- ▲ Comal County, outside City Limits
- ▲ County rural street
- ▲ 60 ft ROW, ~24 ft Pavement
- ▲ No sidewalks
- ▲ Open ditch drainage
- ▲ Serves primarily large lot residential
- ▲ Driveway at the end of the existing roadway

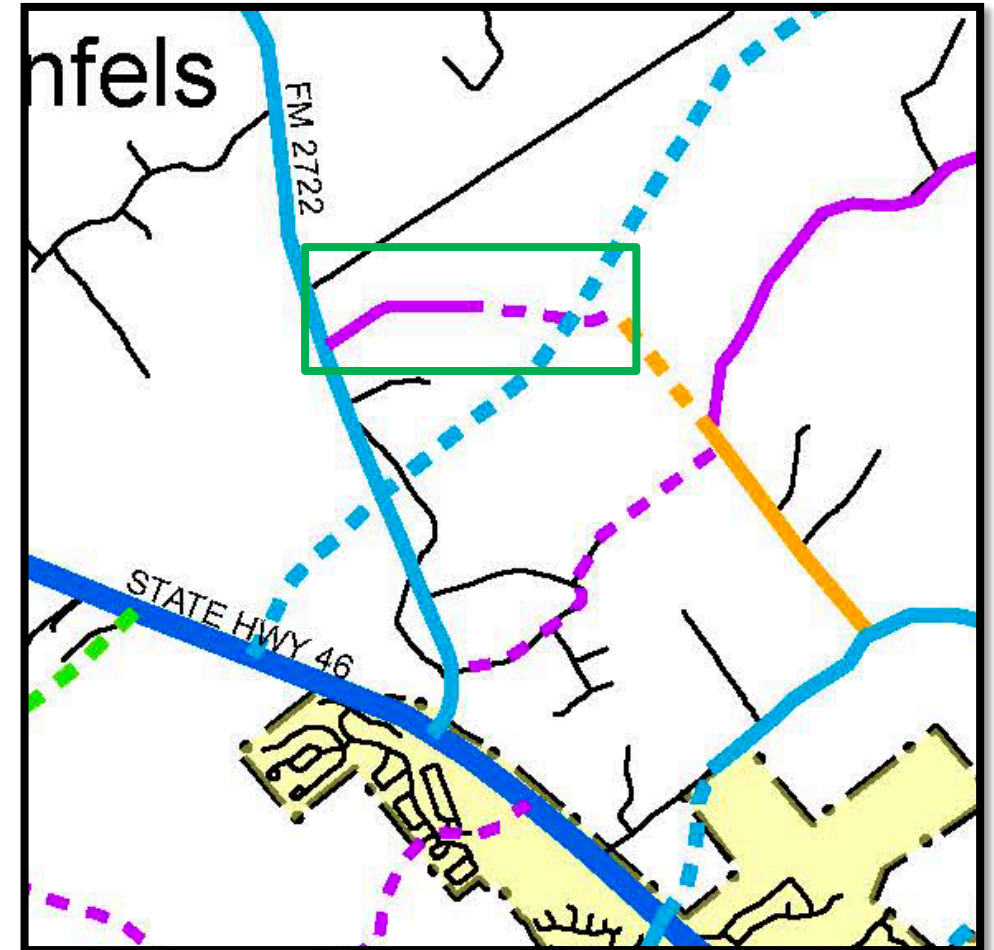


Public Comment – Pleasant Lane Thoroughfare Plan History

2003 Thoroughfare Plan

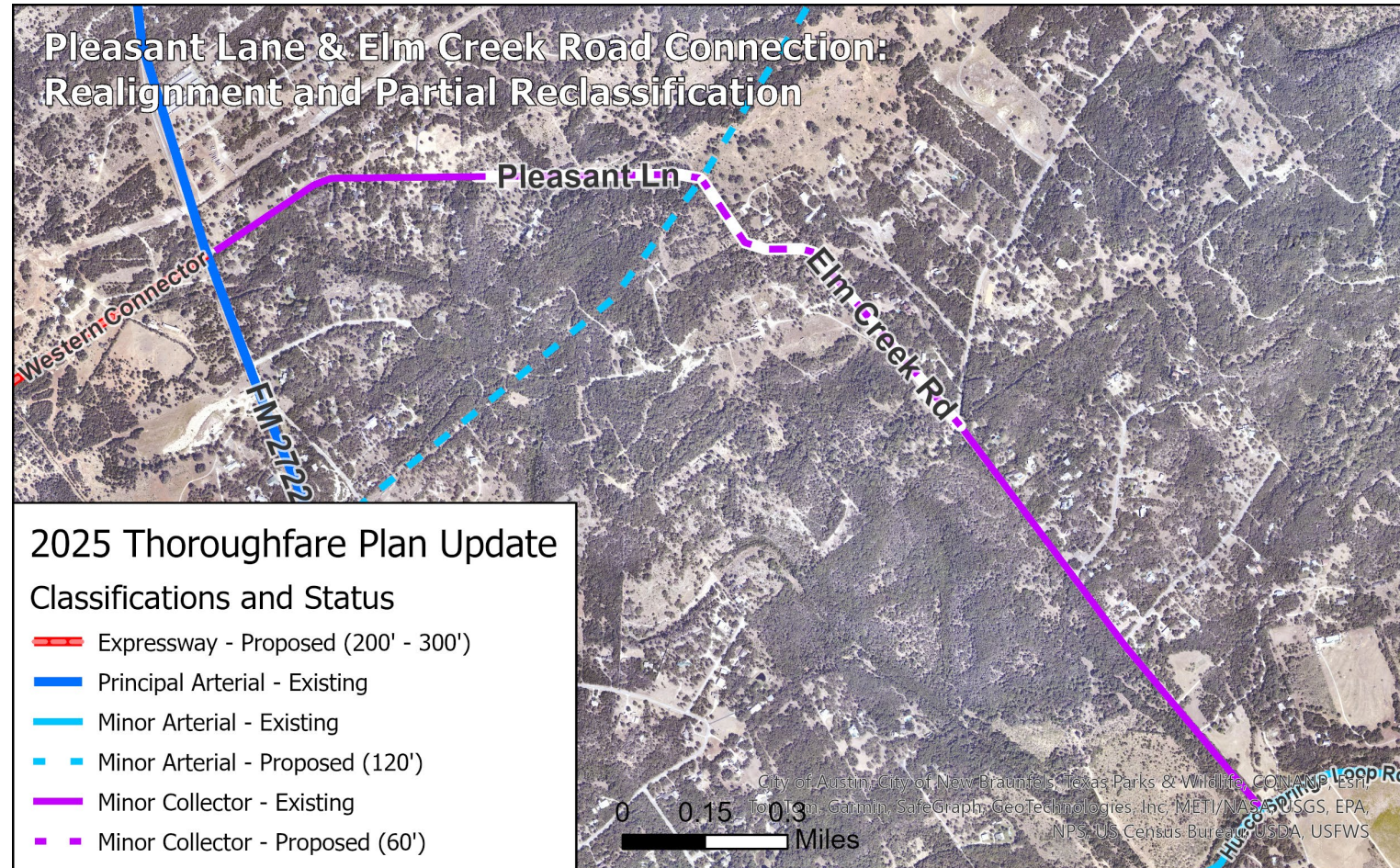


2012 Regional Thoroughfare Plan

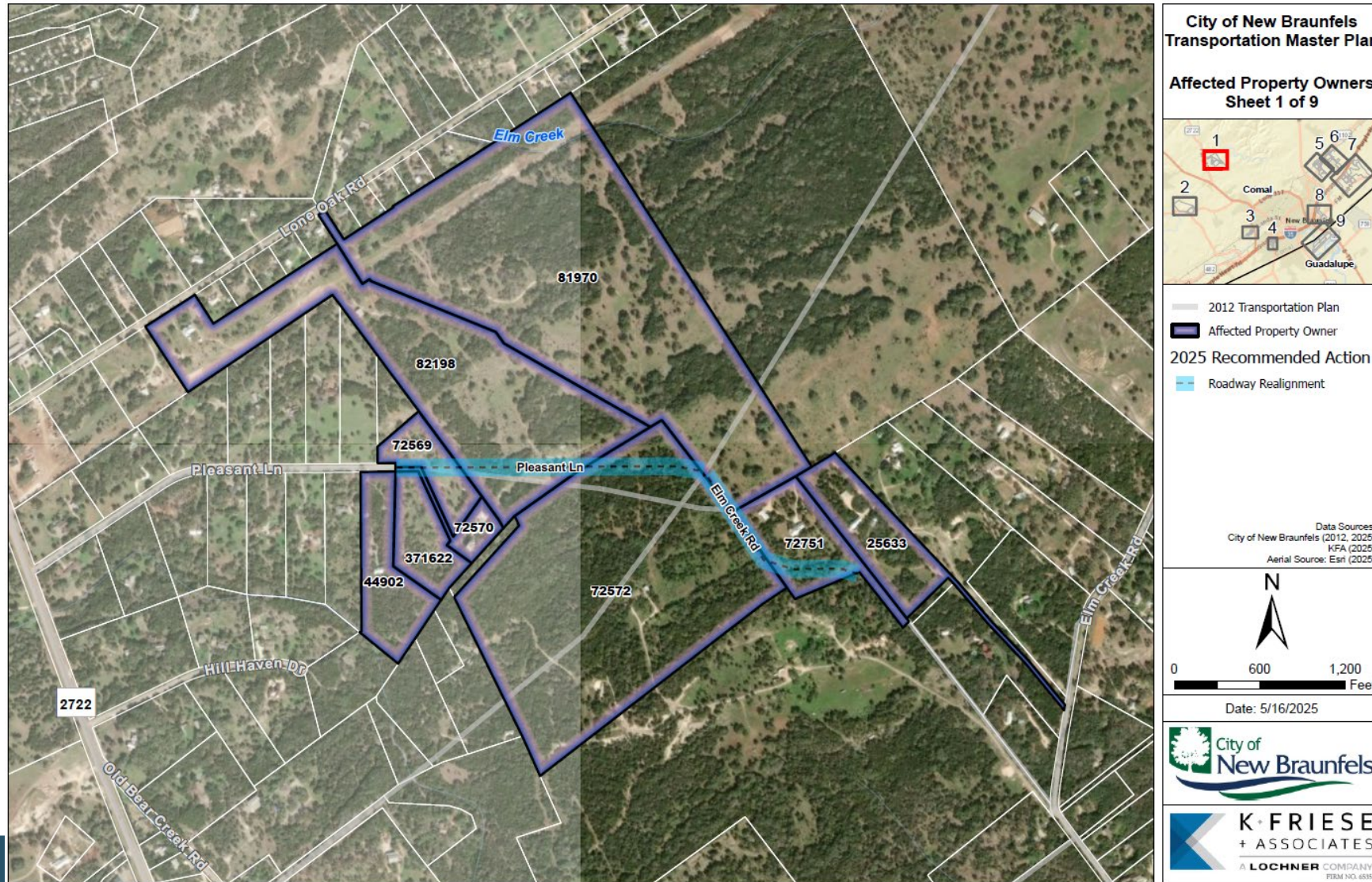


Public Comment – Pleasant Lane Proposed Thoroughfare Plan Update

- Realigned the connection between Pleasant Lane and Elm Creek Road
- Minimize impact on the property owner at 631 Elm Creek Road
- Adjust alignment for Minor Collector curve
- Reduce Elm Creek Rd classification/ROW from Major Collector (90 ft) to Minor Collector (60 ft)
- Affected property owners notified for Property Owner and Public Meetings



Public Comment – Pleasant Lane Property Owner Notification

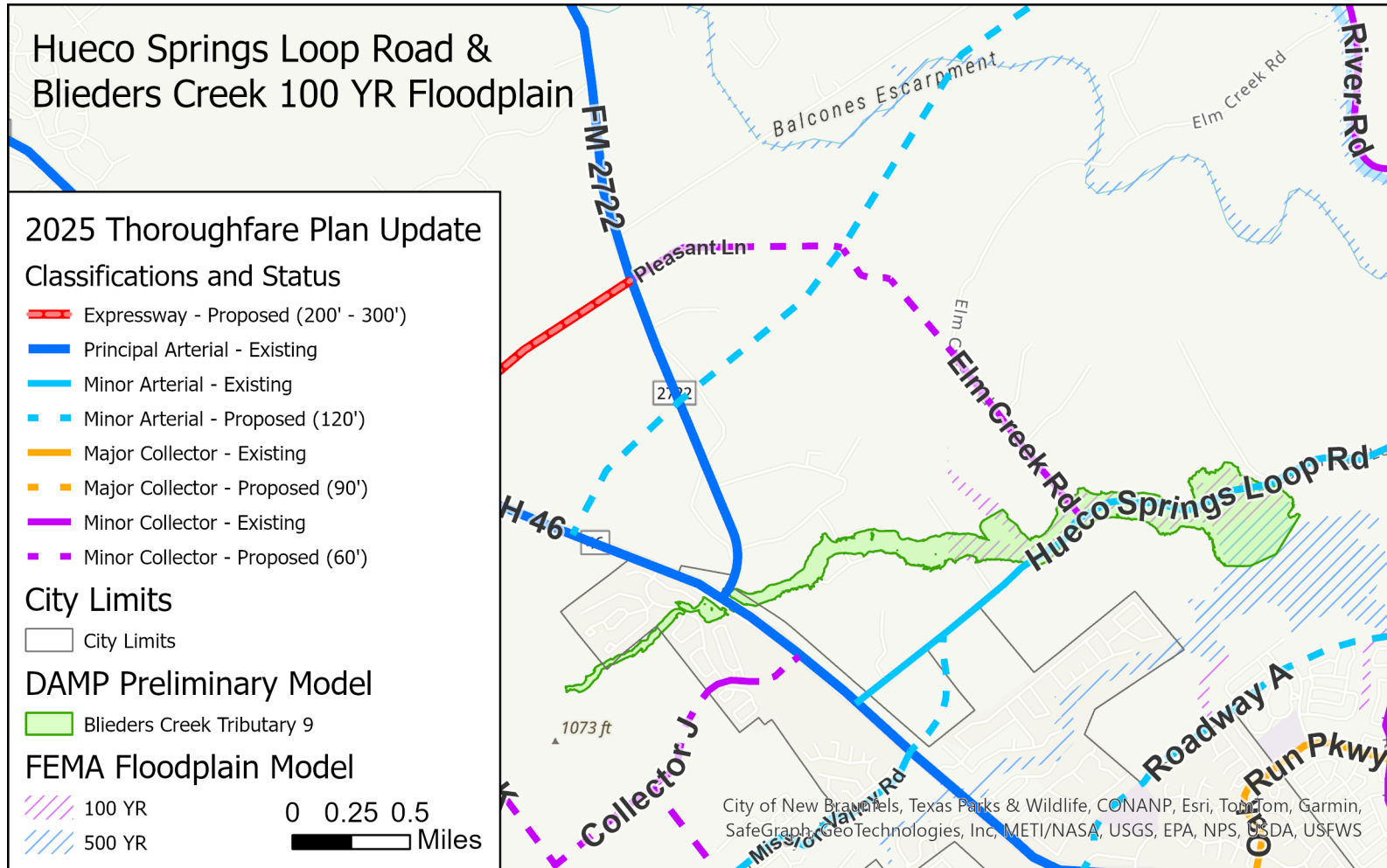


Public Comment – Pleasant Lane Staff Review

- ▲ Public Comment Summary
 - 32 requests for removal (Combined with requests including Elm Creek Road)
 - Cave/Spring near the end of the existing road
 - Character of the area/road
 - Property values
 - Traffic safety
 - Environmental concerns
- ▲ Connection to Proposed Regional Minor Arterial between FM 2722 and FM 306
- ▲ Alternate connection to FM2722 and Hueco Springs Loop Road
- ▲ Hueco Springs Loop Road is currently in the floodplain



Public Comment – Pleasant Lane Hueco Springs Loop Rd Flooding



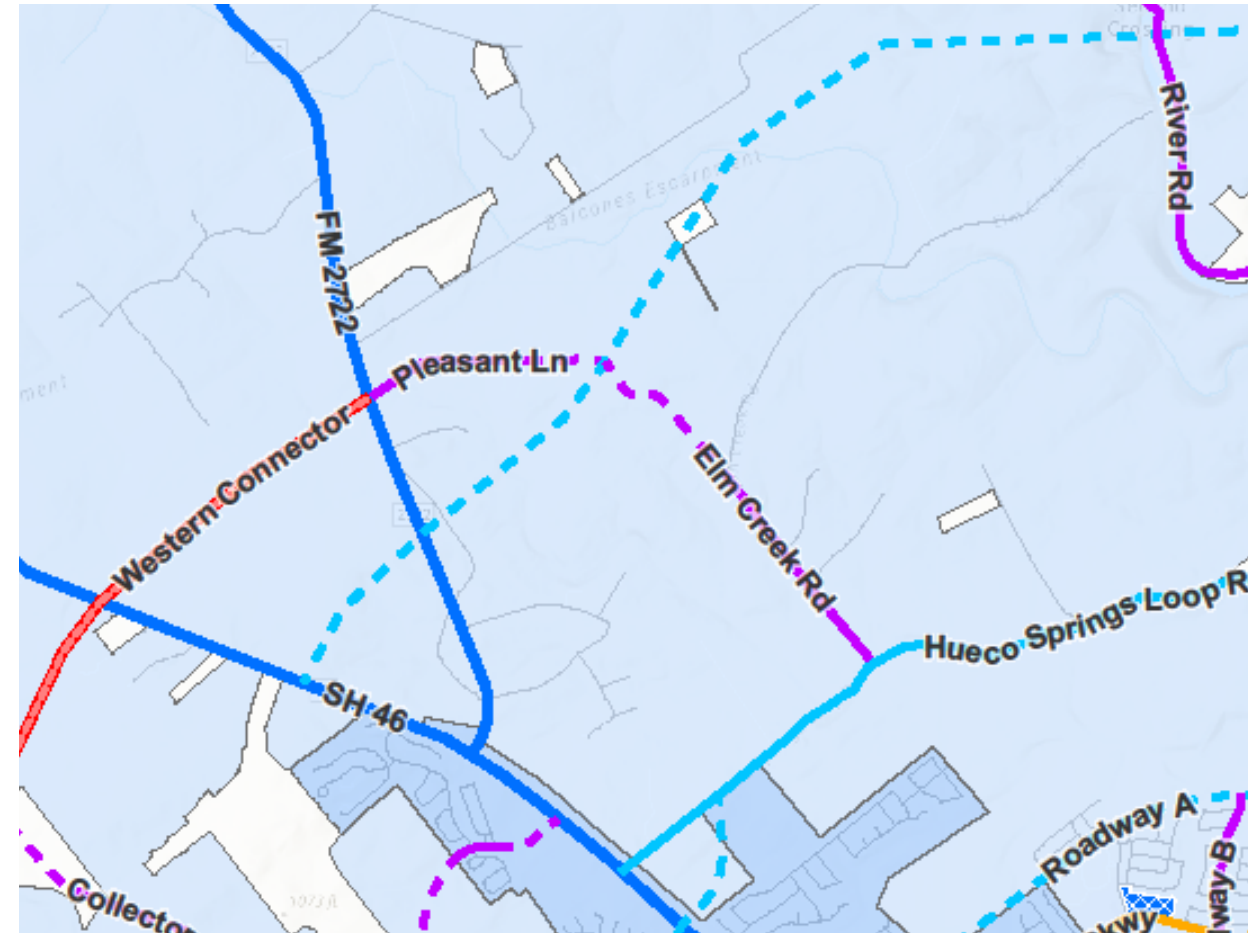
Hueco Spring facing Elm Creek Rd
- 2018 Rain Event

Public Comment – Pleasant Lane Staff Recommendation

- ▲ **Maintain Pleasant Lane Minor Collector Thoroughfare**
- ▲ Realign Pleasant Lane and Elm Creek Road to the proposed alignment
- ▲ Recommendation supported by Comal County Engineer
- ▲ Connection and Final Alignment is dependent on future development
- ▲ Account for improvements to Pleasant Lane and environmental concerns in the TIA and development process
- ▲ Any future road improvements will be led by Comal County

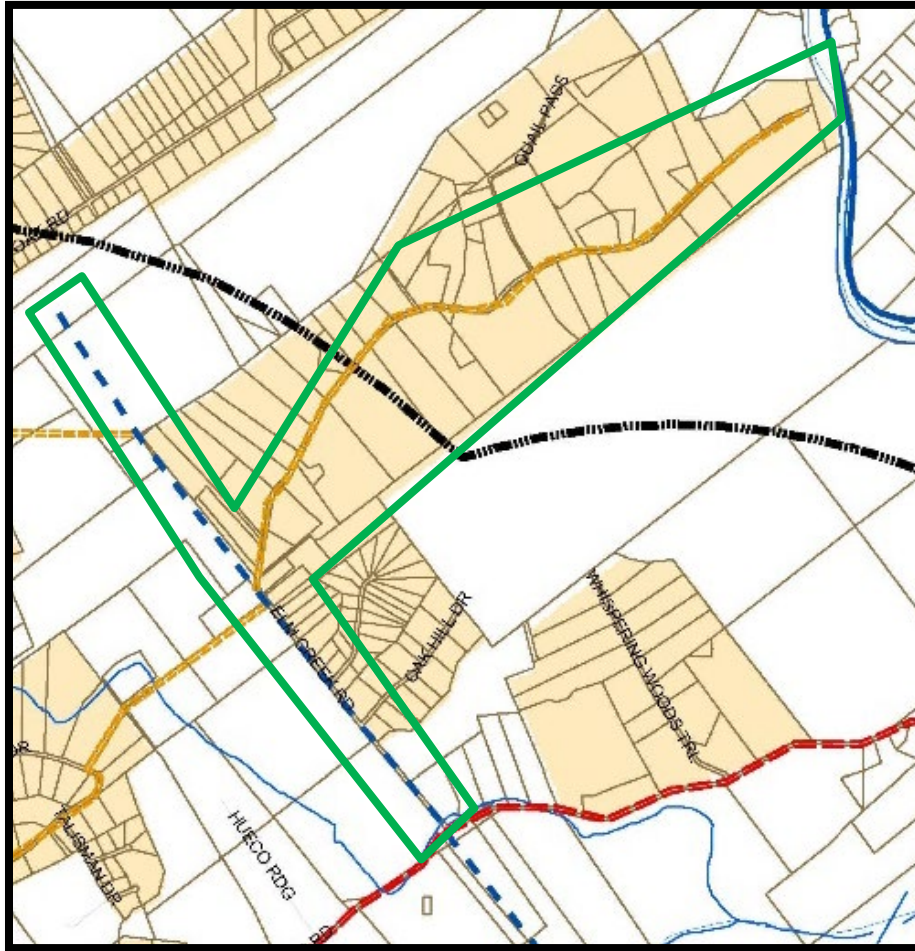
Public Comment – Elm Creek Road Existing Conditions

- ▲ Comal County, outside City Limits
- ▲ County rural street
- ▲ 60 ft ROW, ~24 ft Pavement
- ▲ No sidewalks
- ▲ Open ditch drainage
- ▲ Serves primarily large lot residential
- ▲ Driveway, private street at the extension to Pleasant Lane

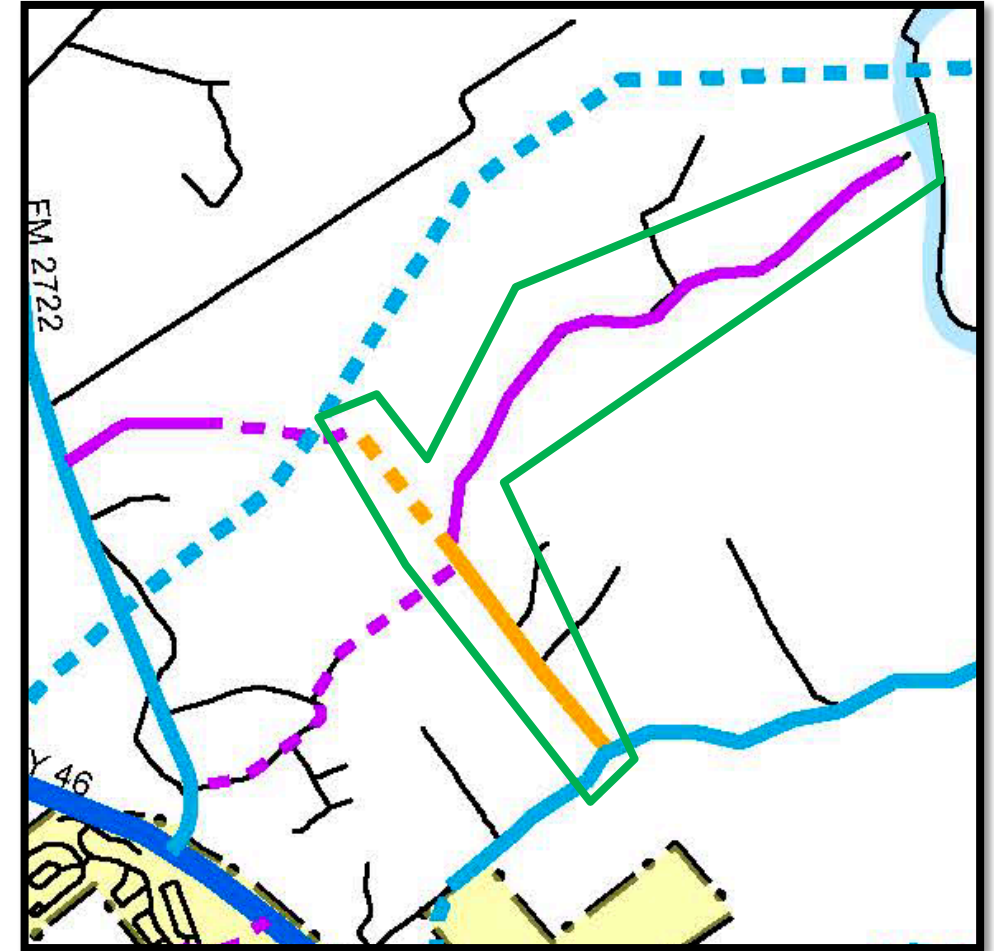


Public Comment – Elm Creek Road Thoroughfare Plan History

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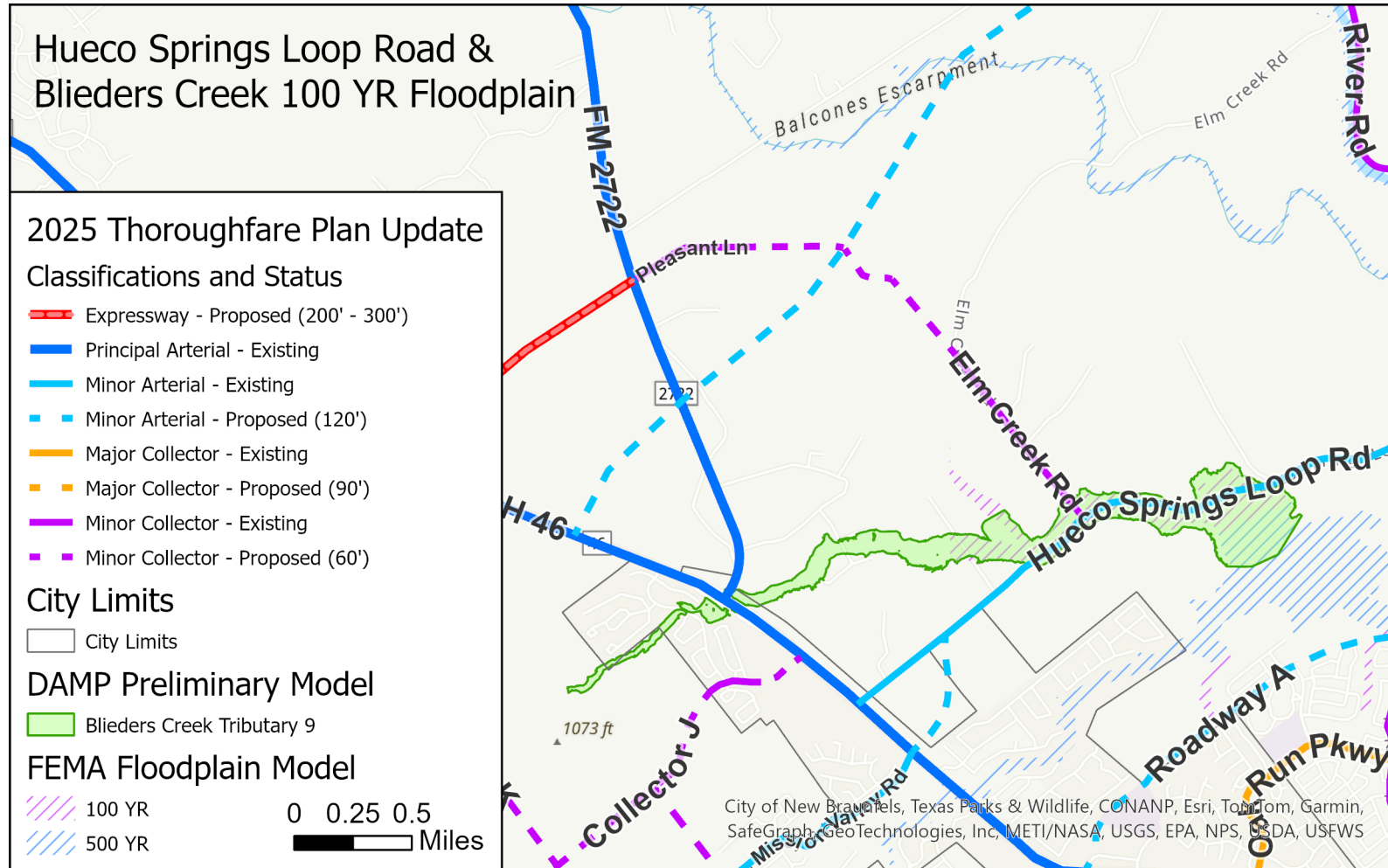


Public Comment – Elm Creek Road Staff Review

- ▲ Resident Concern Summary
 - 32 requests for connection removal (Combined with requests including Pleasant Lane)
 - Character of the area/road
 - Property values
 - Environmental concerns
- ▲ Connection to Proposed Regional Minor Arterial between FM 2722 and FM 306
- ▲ Alternate connection to FM 2722 and Hueco Springs Loop Road
- ▲ Hueco Springs Loop Road is currently in the regulatory floodplain



Public Comment – Elm Creek Road Hueco Springs Loop Rd Flooding

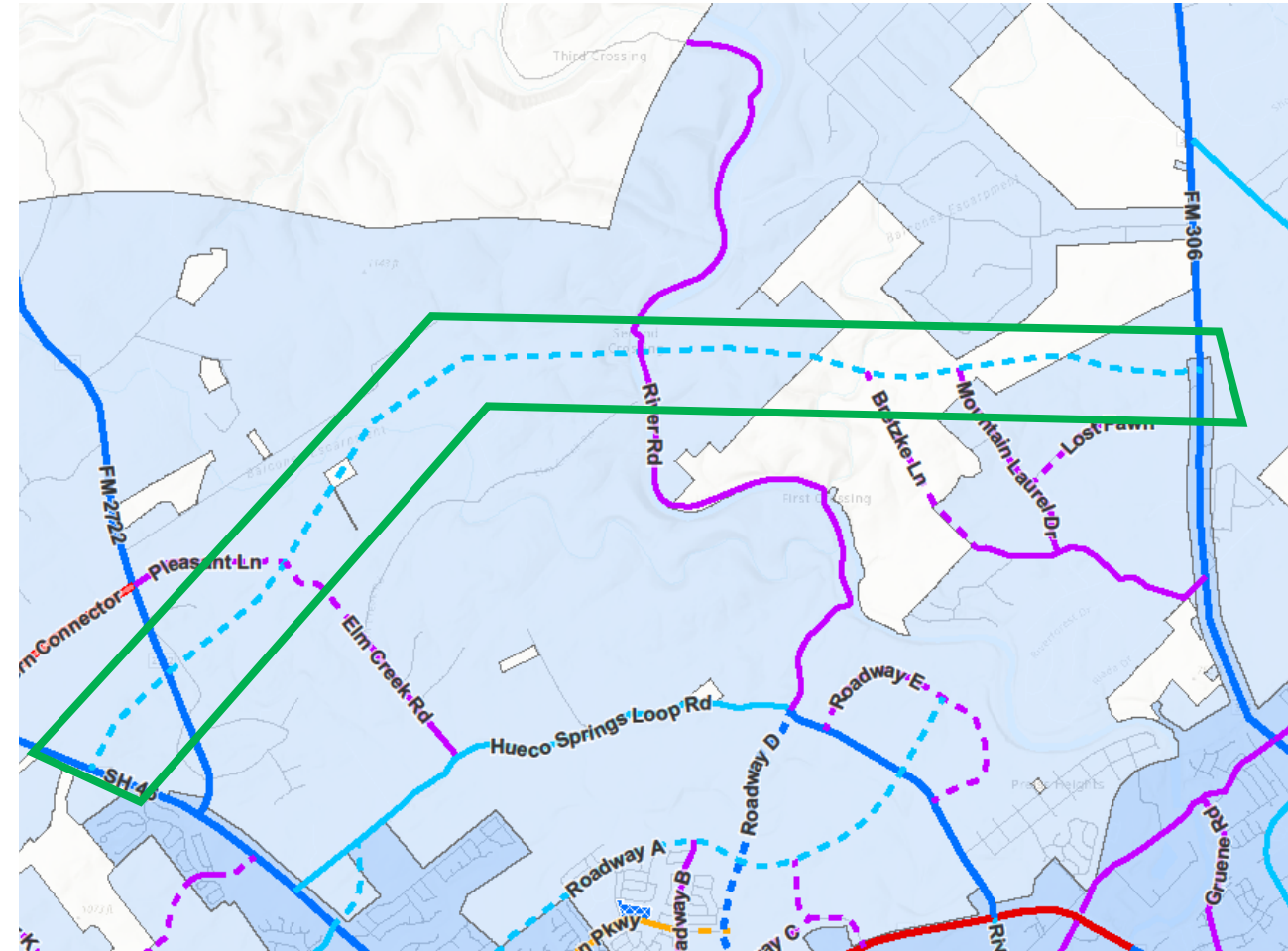


Public Comment – Elm Creek Road Staff Recommendation

- ▲ **Maintain Elm Creek Road Minor Collector Thoroughfare**
 - Update to reclassify from Major Collector to Minor Collector
 - Update to remove Bear Creek Dr and Elm Creek Rd Minor Collector segment to the Guadalupe River
- ▲ Realign Pleasant Lane and Elm Creek Road to the proposed alignment
- ▲ Recommendation supported by Comal County Engineer
- ▲ Connection and final alignment are dependent on future development
- ▲ Account for improvements to Pleasant Lane and environmental concerns in the TIA and development process
- ▲ Any future road improvements will be led by Comal County

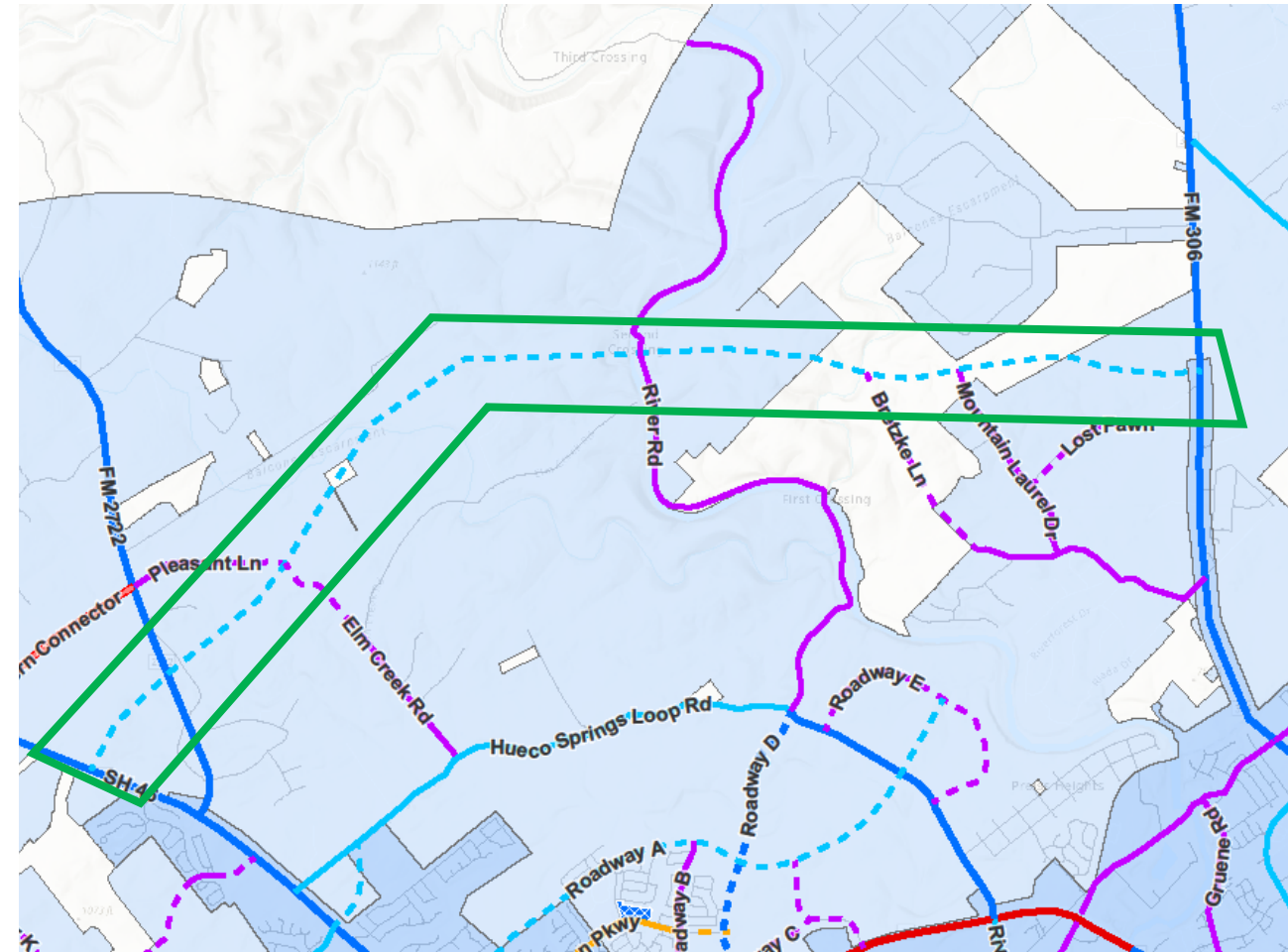
Public Comment – Regional Minor Arterial Between FM 2722 and FM 306

- ▲ “Outer Loop” has been interpreted by staff to be the proposed Minor Arterial that connects FM 2722 and FM 306.
- ▲ River Road
 - Existing Minor Collector
 - Primarily Large Lot Residential
 - Crosses
 - On the Hike and Bike Trail Plan
- ▲ “Outer Loop” direct connection removed from adjacent Parkway/West Connector during 2012 Regional Transportation Plan development



Public Comment – Regional Minor Arterial Between FM 2722 and FM 306

- ▲ 11 comments that request removal
 - Area character
 - Previous thoroughfare history
- ▲ 9 additional comments relate to the interaction with River Road
 - Concerns about intersection with River Road
 - Area character
- ▲ Regional connection between SH46 and FM 306 over the Guadalupe River
- ▲ Complex topology and environmental constraints to cross at River Road



Public Comment – Regional Minor Arterial Between FM 2722 and FM 306

- ▲ **Maintain as Minor Arterial from FM 2722 and FM 306**
- ▲ Important regional connection between major thoroughfares in the county
- ▲ Recommendation supported by Comal County Engineer
- ▲ Connection and final alignment are dependent on future development or detailed schematic engineered design led by Comal County
- ▲ Account for environmental impact considerations during the design process
- ▲ Any future road improvements will be led by Comal County

Next Steps



Next Steps – Planning Commission

- ▲ Planning Commission Public Hearing – August 5, 2025
 - Present community-requested changes, including removals and additions
 - Present staff recommendations on requested changes
 - Planning Commission Recommendation to the City Council
 - Public comment period open August 5 – September 5, 2025
- ▲ Summary of Public Comments received during Public Meeting and Planning Commission process will be posted on the Thoroughfare Plan Webpage prior to City Council Presentation in September.

Next Steps – City Council

- ▲ City Council Presentation – September 15, 2025*
 - Present background, process, public comments, and Planning Commission and staff recommendations
 - Receive feedback from the City Council
 - Public comment period open September 15 – October 15, 2025*
- ▲ City Council Public Hearing and **Approval** – October 27, 2025*
 - Present public comments and staff recommendations
 - Approve the final thoroughfare plan
 - Establish an effective date

**Subject to change based on the City Council's schedule*

Next Steps - Schedule



Thoroughfare Plan Update Information

- ▲ All meeting and presentation information available on the city's website: **newbraunfels.gov/thoroughfare**
- ▲ Staff available to meet with residents and property owners throughout the process
- ▲ Staff contact info:
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Questions?

