







## **Kirkwood Paving and Drainage**

CIP No. N-100029-0001 CIP No. N-100029-0002

## **Post Meeting Summary**

Updated February 2017







#### Dear Residents of the South Kirkwood Neighborhood,

Thank you for attending our public meetings and expressing further interest in the reconstruction updates coming to your community. The South Kirkwood Paving and Drainage project is currently in the design phase. We have taken your comments and concerns into consideration. It is our goal to provide the best communication possible and at this time, we do not have definitive design changes to share.

City engineers and contractors are working diligently to assess your community's infrastructure and provide the most effective design updates. We anticipate an update to the design in 2017. We will continue to update you via www.rebuildhouston.org.

#### Thank you,

#### Paresh Lad

Acting Deputy Assistant Director Public Works and Engineering Infrastructure Planning 611 Walker 18th floor, Houston, TX 77002

## **Our Next Steps**

The following report contains a summary of public comments that were provided both during and after the South Kirkwood Area Reconstruction Community meeting. Listed below is a list of steps that are being taken as this project enters into the next phase:

- We are performing engineering analysis, traffic count studies and utilizing other best practices to evaluate all comments received regarding tree preservation and median widths.
- 2. In order to have time to fully integrate public comments into the project design, we anticipate issuing proposed design updates mid to late 2017. At that time, we will issue a summary via the Rebuild Houston website, detailing any design changes that have occurred.

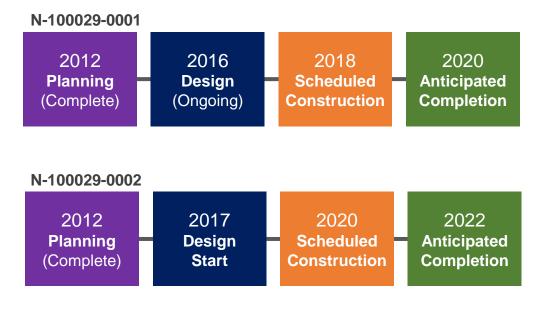
## **About the Project Area**

Capital Improvement Plan projects N-100029-0001 and N-100029-0002 have been programmed to improve driving conditions, provide multimodal transportation facilities, and mitigate drainage deficiencies along Kirkwood Drive between Westheimer and Buffalo Bayou.

Final design for the 0.9-mile segment between Briar Forest and Buffalo Bayou (N-100029-0001) began in 2016 and has a projected construction start in 2018. The 0.7-mile segment between Westheimer and Briar Forest (N-100029-0002) will begin its final design phase in 2017 and is projected to begin construction in 2020.

The project area features single- and multi-family residential properties, with commercial development near Westheimer.

#### **PROJECT TIMELINES**



#### **Meeting Held:**

September 29, 2016

Meeting Location: Paul Revere Middle School 10502 Briar Forest Dr. Houston, TX 77042

#### Presenter:

Mark Loethen, P.E.

Deputy Director

Planning and

Development

Services Division

Department of Public Works & Engineering (PWE)

Total # of Attendees:

150

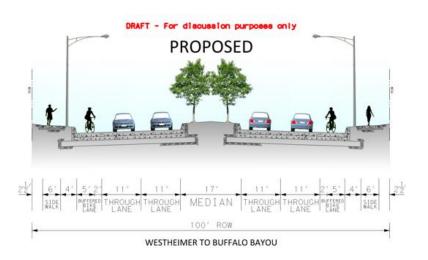
### **Project Details**

## Proposed improvements as presented at the public meeting include:

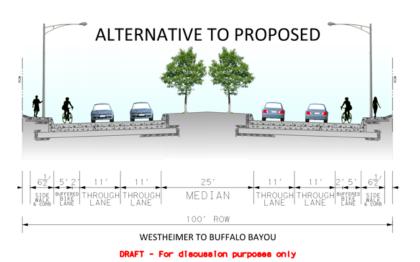
- Reconstruct the existing roadway with two 11-ft lanes, a 5-ft bike lane with a 2-ft buffer, and a 17-ft median.
- Consider reconstructing existing roadway with two 11-ft lanes, a 5-ft bike lane with a 2-ft buffer, and a 25-ft median.
- Enhance pedestrian elements, such as sidewalks and wheelchair ramps.
- Right-of-way acquisition will be necessary at the Briar Forest intersection in order to provide an exclusive right-turn lane.
- Replace and upgrade traffic signal at Briar Forest intersection.
- Improve drainage system conveyance and storage.



**BRIAR FOREST AND KIRKWOOD** 



#### PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION



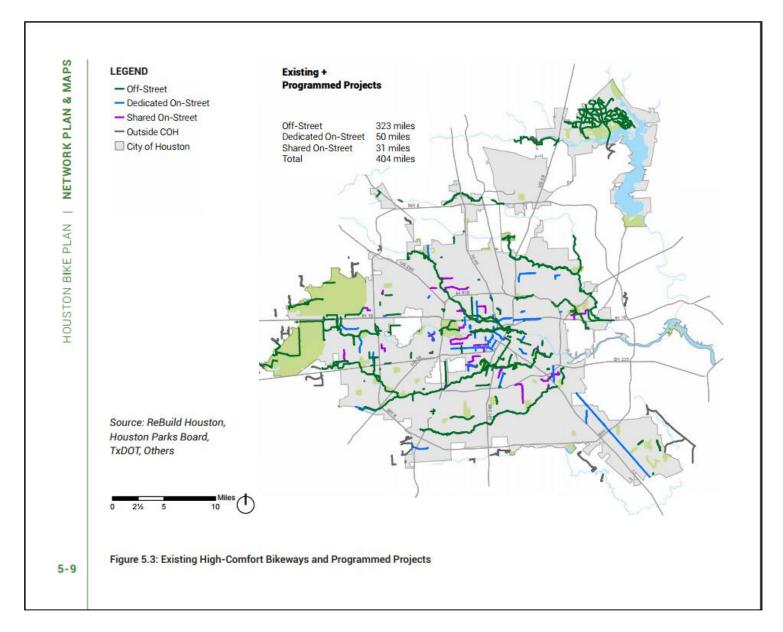
ALTERNATIVE TO PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION

## **About the Houston Bike Plan**

The City of Houston developed the Houston Bike Plan through a 12-month planning effort to update the City's Comprehensive Bikeway Plan originally adopted in 1993. The City and the Houston region have made great strides in improving people's ability to bike to more destinations, earning a Bronze-level Bicycle Friendly Community award from the League of American Bicyclists in 2013. New trails are being built along our bayous, new protected bikeways have been installed, and more people are riding all over the city.

For more information, please visit:

http://houstonbikeplan.org/about-the-houston-bike-plan



# **About Complete Streets and Rebuild Houston**

#### ABOUT COMPLETE STREETS

Houston Complete Streets and Transportation Plan (Executive Order 1-15) guides the development of mobility planning and design of the City of Houston street and drainage projects. This Executive Order identifies goals and steps to move the city toward the achievement of Complete Streets through the planning, designing, budgeting, constructing, and reconstructing of all transportation improvements. The Executive Order recognizes that all streets are not the same and that reconstruction of the public right-of-way (ROW) should strongly utilize context sensitive design, incorporating local development context, and also take into account the role a particular corridor plays in the region's multimodal transportation networks. The introduction of these programs, as well as other initiatives that address multimodal safety on the region's roadways, requires rethinking existing planning and design. Evaluating existing approaches ensures that projects developed and constructed by the City of Houston meet these objectives.

#### ABOUT REBUILD HOUSTON

The reconstruction of the City's street and drainage infrastructure following the guidelines of the Complete Street and Transportation Plan is made possible through resources provided by the ReBuild Houston Program. ReBuild Houston is a voter-initiated and voter-approved, Pay-As-You-Go program to address the City of Houston's street and drainage infrastructure needs in a systematic, prioritized and objective manner. ReBuild Houston is a part of the City's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) and the 10-Year plan for Streets & Drainage. Street & Drainage improvement projects are separated into three phases of planning, design, and construction which allows for a much more detailed and objective planning process that complements the City's established Capital Improvement Plan.

To learn more about the ReBuild Houston and Street & Drainage infrastructure improvement process visit <a href="https://www.rebuildhouston.org">www.rebuildhouston.org</a>.

