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Gus Thomasson Road (IH 30 to Whitson Way and Santiago Drive to Maylee Boulevard) Road Rehabilitation Project

The Plan: This \$1.8 million project in partnership with Dallas County will repair segments of Gus Thomasson Road. The existing surface will be replaced with a new asphalt surface. Prior to the repairs, several spots will undergo full-depth repair to correct areas where the ground underneath the pavement has failed.

What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: The contractor has removed the existing asphalt surface in order to expose the underlying concrete pavement. This allowed staff and the contractor to analyze the pavement and determine the best way to replace it. After the concrete replacement is complete, the contractor will place new asphalt over it to make a smooth riding surface.

Estimated completion date: Summer 2021

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Real. Texas. Roads.

Real. Texas. Roads. is the program name for the road repairs funded by the \$125 million bond sale approved by voters in November 2015. Repairs under this program are for residential, two-lane roadways. The repairs began in 2016.

[Watch the April 2021 Road Warrior video with an overview of all of these projects.](#)



What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: Repairs are progressing in the South Parkway Boulevard area. The contractor is currently focusing on completing concrete repairs on Woodlawn Parkway, Shadwell Lane, Bluefield Road, Potomac Avenue, Falls Church Lane, Portsmouth Drive and Yorktown Road. Hermitage Drive from Mount Vernon Drive to Skyline Drive is getting replaced. Spot repairs on the remainder of Hermitage Drive from Mount Vernon Drive to South Parkway will continue once school is out. The contractor has a second crew working on Timberview Drive, Meadowbrook Drive, Kenneth Hopper Drive and Catskill Drive. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/realtexasroads/PeachTreeandSouthParkway for details.

The Quail Hollow No. 2 Subdivision is under going localized full depth concrete repairs. The contractor is continuing work on Hollow Bend and has started work on Whitewing Drive and Harvester Lane. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/RealTexasRoads/QuailHollow for details.

In the Town East Estates Phase II project, the contractor is working on Aloha Drive, Luau Street, Eastbrook Drive, Charles Drive and Anthony Drive. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/RealTexasRoads/TownEastEstates for details.

The contractor should start the work on Powell Road, Powell Circle, Melton Lane, Magnolia Drive and Douglas Drive by the end of April 2021. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/RealTexasRoads/PowellOrchid for details.

Estimated completion date: Funds made available by the 2015 Street Bond Election are expected to continue funding street repairs through 2024.

To view the current construction status of streets selected for the program, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/RealTexasRoads.



Town East Boulevard Phase 2 (U.S. Highway 80 to Skyline Drive) Reconstruction Project

The Plan: This \$12.9 million project is a partnership between Dallas County and the City of Mesquite to reconstruct Town East Boulevard from U.S. Highway 80 to Skyline Drive. The existing six-lane section road will be reconstructed as a four-lane section road from Skyline Drive to Forney Road, and the section from Forney Road

to U.S. Highway 80 will be reconstructed as a six-lane section. The new pavement section for Town East Boulevard will be substantially thicker to support the large volume of heavy truck traffic. This project will also include improvements to underground water and sewer service lines as well as drainage. The four-lane section south of Forney Road will be shifted to reduce the impacts of the industrial traffic on residents living in the nearby neighborhood. This shift will also allow for the addition of a walking/biking trail and an eight-foot screening wall for the nearby neighborhood. The trail will connect the community to the Westover Greenbelt and the existing trail system at Military Parkway and Town East Boulevard, which is part of the Mesquite Heritage Trail.

What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: Phase 1 of the underground utility and storm sewer work has been completed. Final grading to restore the driving surface and paving is underway. Paving on the west side of Town East Boulevard is scheduled to start in May.

Estimated completion date: End of 2021

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TxDOT - IH 635 (U.S. 75/Central Expressway to IH 30) LBJ East Project

The Plan: The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is reconstructing IH 635 from U.S. 75 to IH 30. The reconstruction will provide five main lanes and two

managed lanes in both directions, continual frontage roads starting at Town East Boulevard and full reconstruction of the IH 30/IH 635 interchange. For more information concerning the IH 635 LBJ East Project, please visit the Texas Department of Transportation webpage. You can also text "635 East" to 1-833-HWY-635E to sign up for text alerts.

What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: The contractor, Pegasus Link Contractors, is currently in Phase 1 of reconstruction of the interchange of IH-30 and IH-635. Bridge columns for the future interchange ramps are being built. Partial demo of the bridge at Galloway Avenue was completed in March. Partial demo means the road will remain open but there may be lane adjustments or may have some lanes closed

to accommodate construction. Work for the new overpass at Oates Drive (partial demo) began in February. Pegasus Link is working with all cities to relocate underground water, sewer and communication lines that will be affected by the construction and is adjusting traffic signals and widening the frontage roads for future work. The eastbound exit ramp for Northwest Drive and the westbound entrance ramp from Northwest Drive are closed permanently. Future ramp and frontage road improvements will provide access to Northwest Drive upon completion of the project.

[View the attached first quarter project flyer](#) for the TxDOT 635 East Project description and schedule. [Click here to see a full list of lane closures](#) and associated detour maps related to the IH 635 Project. [Click here to see the project brochure](#).

Estimated completion date: 2024

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TxDOT - U.S. Highway 80 Improvements Project (IH 30 to FM 460)



The Plan: The U.S. Highway 80 proposed improvements consist of the reconstruction and widening of U.S. 80 from IH 30 in Dallas County to FM 460 in Kaufman County, within the cities of Dallas, Mesquite, Forney and the Town of Sunnyvale. The proposed plan will reconstruct the IH 635 interchange and widen main lanes and frontage roads. Frontage roads will be completed between Lawson Road and FM 460 over the East Fork of Trinity River. The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will perform the work in phases. The first phase will be primarily within the Mesquite city limits.

What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: The design consultant for the Mesquite section of the project has completed approximately 60% of the project design. Plans for utility coordination were provided to the City in March. The City is reviewing the plans for potential conflicts and will make adjustments by mid-2022. TxDOT's land acquisition agent is contacting property owners regarding acquisition.

TxDOT is working on completing additional right-of-way acquisition along the project. The City is coordinating completion of Mesquite Heritage Trail underneath U.S. 80 at South Mesquite Creek. The City and Dallas County will construct the trail outside of TxDOT right-of-way between Gross Road and Towne Centre Drive.

Estimated completion date: To be determined by TxDOT.

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Mesquite Heritage Trail, Phase 2 (Towne Centre Drive and South Mesquite Creek)

The Plan: Design and construction of a segment of the Mesquite Heritage Trail. This segment of the trail runs along the south side of Towne Centre Drive from North Mesquite Drive to Gus Thomasson Road, then south along the west bank of South Mesquite Creek to U.S. Highway 80, under U.S. Highway 80 to the trailhead just west of AMC theater. Work being pursued in conjunction with Dallas County Public Works. This trail will be concrete and 12-foot wide.

What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: All right-of-way easements have been acquired. The City is reviewing the crossing of U.S. 80 with TxDOT and Dallas County. The plans will be revised in next couple of months so bidding for the project can start in the Fall of 2021. The crossing of U.S. 80 will be funded by the City and constructed by TxDOT with the U.S. 80 reconstruction.

Estimated completion date: Winter 2022

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Downtown Mesquite: Front Street Station – Aesthetic Improvements, Paving, Drainage, Water and Sewer



The Plan: The project is for the construction of Front Street Station between Galloway Avenue and North Ebrite Street as the first phase to improve Downtown Mesquite with new underground infrastructure, pedestrian-friendly elements, special event areas and additional parking.

What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: Front Street remains closed from Ebrite Street to Galloway Avenue. Concrete color stains and special finishes are being placed. Signs and pavement markings have been installed. Aesthetic lighting is being placed in McCullough Plaza and landscaping is almost completed. Watch the [Mesquite Minute](#) to learn more about the project.

Estimated completion date: May 2021

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Military Parkway Trail (Galloway Avenue to Rodeo Drive)

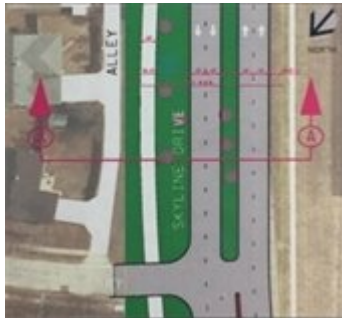


The Plan: The project connects the downtown area to the Mesquite Arena with a 10 to 12-foot wide community trail that will run along the south side of Military Parkway, pass under IH 635 and turn north on Rodeo Center Drive to connect to an existing sidewalk at Rodeo Drive. Sidewalks in most of the downtown area and under IH 635 have already been constructed. Bridge structures with trails were done with the previous Military Parkway project by Dallas County. The length of the trail is approximately 1.5 miles. This project is being led and partially funded by Dallas County.

What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: The project bid documents are being completed by Dallas County. A pre-project public meeting will be scheduled in the spring by the County to inform contractors and the community about the project prior to bid advertisement.

Estimated completion date: Summer 2022

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Skyline Drive (Town East Blvd. to Peachtree Road) Reconstruction Project

The Plan: Skyline Drive will be designed as a four-lane section. The location of the roadway will be shifted south in the wide right-of-way to provide an additional buffer for the residential neighborhood to the north. The buffer will include an area for a 12-foot wide trail and screening wall. The roadway section will consist of a thicker pavement to accommodate heavy truck traffic.

What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: A preliminary schematic design for paving and landscaping has been submitted and reviewed. Design Task Force meetings are being held monthly. Work on a more detailed design is being developed and it will include drainage and all other portions of the plans.

Estimated completion date: 2023

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South Parkway, West Fork of South Mesquite Creek - Paving, Water, Sanitary Sewer, Drainage and Erosion Control Project

The Plan: Reconstruction of South Parkway including pavement, drainage and utilities from Sybil Drive to U.S.

80. Improvements to the South Mesquite Creek channel will include straightening of the channel and adding slope stabilization to address the severe channel erosion. Project will be constructed in segments to be identified based on funding.

What's happening now and work expected in the next 30 days: The City's consultant analyzed the stream flow and how it's affected by the bridge underneath Sybil Drive, and will also evaluate drainage of the street. The consultant has prepared a schematic of possible street, utility, drainage and sidewalk improvements for the City to review.

Estimated completion date: Study to be completed in Summer 2021

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