



TO: The Urban Transportation Commission

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SUBJECT: Special Event Ordinance

The Austin Transportation Department is coordinating several small scale intersection improvements to enhance pedestrian connectivity along the IH35 corridor. At Cesar Chavez Street and the Northbound IH35 Service Road, we coordinated with TxDOT to construct a missing section of sidewalk on the north curb. The Public Works Sidewalks department will install a connecting curb ramp and the Austin Transportation Arterial Management Division will install a pedestrian signal and retime the intersection to add a pedestrian phase so we can install a crosswalk on the north leg of the intersection,. In addition, we are coordinating with TxDOT to see if we can relocate the existing pedestrian signal on the Southbound Service Rd; currently it is in the sidewalk and prevents it from being accessible. At E 7th Street and the Northbound IH35 Service Road, we are coordinating a similar improvement; Public Works will install the curb ramps and arterial management will install the pedestrian signals and retime the intersection so we can install a crosswalk on the north leg. 32nd Street and the Northbound IH35 Service Road already has crosswalks on both legs but with the reconstruction of the 32nd Street bridge rail, the pedestrian buttons are located behind a guard rail and are not accessible. We are working to relocate the pedestrian buttons to a more accessible location.