



**January 26, 2023**

## Questions and Answers Report



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COUNCIL MEMBER A. ALTER’S OFFICE

- 5) *Please provide a list of which schools are served by these programs and in which Council District these schools are located.*

Below is a list of schools where each program is currently offered and the Council Districts in which these schools are located.

Prime Time Afterschool	
School	Council District

Akins Early College High School	5
Andrews Elementary	1
Barrington Elementary	4
Blackshear Elementary	1
Blazier Elementary	2
Blazier Intermediate	2
Casey Elementary	5
Campbell Elementary	1
Cunningham Elementary	5
Dawson Elementary	3
Galindo Elementary	3
Graham Elementary	1
Guerrero Thompson Elementary	4
Joslin Elementary	5
Kocurek Elementary	5
LBJ Early College High School	1
Lively Middle School	9
Navarro Early College High School	4
Odom Elementary	2
Padrón Elementary	4
Pickle Elementary	4
Pillow Elementary	7
Pleasant Hill Elementary	2
Sanchez Elementary	3
St. Elmo Elementary	3
Travis Heights Elementary	9
Travis High School	3
Williams Elementary	2
Zavala Elementary	3

VICTORY Tutorial	
School	Council District
Anderson High School	10
Ann Richards High School	5
Austin High School	9
Bailey Middle School	Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ), no District
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Burnet Middle School	4
Cook Elementary School	4
Davis Elementary School	6
Doss Elementary School	10
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Kealing Middle School	1
Lamar Middle School	7
Langford Elementary School	2
Liberal Arts and Science Academy High School	3
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Maplewood Elementary School	9
Northeast High School	1
O. Henry Middle School	10
Pecan Springs Elementary School	1
Ridgetop Elementary School	9
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St. Elmo Elementary School	3
Sunset Valley Elementary School	Sunset Valley, no District
Travis High School	3
Wooldridge Elementary School	4

**Item #47:** Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 8 to an agreement with Travis County and the Austin-Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation d/b/a the Sobering Center to add one-time funding in the amount of \$303,413 to the term ending on September 30, 2023, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$9,167,358.

MAYOR WATSON'S OFFICE

- 1) *Does this Amendment provide funds for general operations of the Sobering Center or to anything specific?*

This amendment provides for the general operations of the Sobering Center, which includes personnel and other expenses to operate the Center. The Sobering Center offers a safe environment for publicly intoxicated individuals to sober up, and when appropriate, provides a bridge to recovery.

- 2) *Were the funds from other extensions (excluding the COVID specific one in Amendment 3) used for general operations or to any specific programs or services?*

The funds from other extensions were also for the general operations of the Sobering Center.



3) *When would the next extension likely be?*

The current interlocal agreement currently has no more extension options. The City will begin negotiating a new agreement with Travis County and the Sobering Center that will be slated to begin on October 1, 2023.

4) *Is there a rough estimate as to how much the next extension would cost? And if not, what factors will determine how much the next extension is??*

Based on projections provided by the Sobering Center, the next extension would cost \$2,393,821. There is currently \$2,353,789 projected to be available for the Sobering Center for FY24.

**Item #52:** Approve a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Texas Department of Transportation 2023 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program to fund a feasibility study, environmental clearance, and potential construction of a shared use path along SL 360 from Loop 1 to US 183.

MAYOR PRO TEM ELLIS' OFFICE

1) *Can staff please confirm that ATD's intent for the City's TASA application is to seek to fund only segments of shared-use path (SUP) that TxDOT has NOT already expressed intent to fund and construct through their Loop 360 Program (as documented on their project pages at <http://loop360project.com/projects.htm>)?*

The grant seeks funds to complete gaps in the planned SUP to provide a continuous facility along SL 360. There are currently segments outside the limits of the SL 360 Projects that are not planned to be funded by TxDOT.

2) *Can staff please share the "TxDOT/CoA Bicycle Accommodation Facility Comparison" map and indicate which segments the proposed TASA application hopes to address?*

Based on preliminary discussions with TxDOT, the grant application will include the following activities:

- SL 360 from FM 2244 to Westlake – Funding for preliminary engineering and environmental clearance (Segment 20 on map)
- SL 360 from Lakewood Drive to Spicewood Springs Road – Funding for design and construction of Shared Use Path (SUP) on east side of SL360 including a crossing over Bull Creek (Segment 7 on map)
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Discussions with TxDOT team will continue after submission of the initial grant application to order and submit the most competitive project for grant funding. Therefore, the items above are subject to change.

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It is staff's understanding that this segment of LP 360 is currently on hold pending further public engagement and potential need for updates to environmental studies

**Item #55:** Approve a resolution related to creating an economic development program for affordable child care operations and initiating amendments to Title 25 of the City Code to increase the availability of child care services.

COUNCIL MEMBER R. ALTER'S OFFICE

*1) How many applications are there annually to change the use of a property to a day care facility?*

Due to permitting system limitations, it is not possible to arrive at an exact number of applications to change the use of a property to a day care facility. To determine an approximate number, staff searched the permitting database for descriptions of work that indicated a change of use to daycare over the last 5 years. Search parameters did not include new construction, tenant finish-outs, or amnesty certificate of occupancy cases.

Year	Number of Applications
2018	12
2019	8
2020	10
2021	4
2022	8

*2) What is typical for the total cost of permits and fees assessed when opening or expanding a qualifying childcare operation using our current rate schedule?*

Typical DSD fees for opening or expanding day care facilities would be assessed by square-footage. In addition, most change-of-use applications require a Site Plan Exemption. Current fees are estimated below based on a typical day care occupancy and building size of up to 1,500 square feet. Depending on the specifics of the project, additional fees could be assessed for other reviews, inspections, or permits.

Site Plan Exemption	\$282.88
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**Item #46:** Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 1 to an agreement with the Austin Independent School District to provide tutoring and academic support for youth, to add funding in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 to the current term and each of the four remaining renewals, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,804,489.

### COUNCIL MEMBER A. ALTER'S OFFICE

- 1) *Please provide a list of which schools are served by these programs and in which Council District these schools are located.*

Below is a list of schools where each program is currently offered and the Council Districts in which these schools are located.

Prime Time Afterschool	
School	Council District
Akins Early College High School	5
Andrews Elementary	1
Barrington Elementary	4
Blackshear Elementary	1
Blazier Elementary	2
Blazier Intermediate	2
Casey Elementary	5
Campbell Elementary	1
Cunningham Elementary	5
Dawson Elementary	3
Galindo Elementary	3
Graham Elementary	1
Guerrero Thompson Elementary	4
Joslin Elementary	5
Kocurek Elementary	5
LBJ Early College High School	1
Lively Middle School	9
Navarro Early College High School	4

Odom Elementary	2
Padrón Elementary	4
Pickle Elementary	4
Pillow Elementary	7
Pleasant Hill Elementary	2
Sanchez Elementary	3
St. Elmo Elementary	3
Travis Heights Elementary	9
Travis High School	3
Williams Elementary	2
Zavala Elementary	3

VICTORY Tutorial	
School	Council District
Anderson High School	10
Ann Richards High School	5
Austin High School	9
Bailey Middle School	Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ), no District
Blackshear Elementary School	1
Blanton Elementary School	4
Blazier Elementary School	2
Burnet Middle School	4
Cook Elementary School	4
Davis Elementary School	6
Doss Elementary School	10
Graham Elementary School	1
Guerrero-Thompson Elementary School	4
Kealing Middle School	1
Lamar Middle School	7
Langford Elementary School	2
Liberal Arts and Science Academy High School	3
Lively Middle School	9
Maplewood Elementary School	9
Northeast High School	1
O. Henry Middle School	10
Pecan Springs Elementary School	1
Ridgetop Elementary School	9
Sanchez Elementary School	3
St. Elmo Elementary School	3
Sunset Valley Elementary School	Sunset Valley, no District
Travis High School	3
Wooldridge Elementary School	4



### Council Question and Answer

Related To

Item #47

Meeting Date

January 26, 2023

### Additional Answer Information

**Item #47:** Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 8 to an agreement with Travis County and the Austin-Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation d/b/a the Sobering Center to add one-time funding in the amount of \$303,413 to the term ending on September 30, 2023, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$9,167,358.

#### MAYOR WATSON'S OFFICE

1) *Does this Amendment provide funds for general operations of the Sobering Center or to anything specific?*

This amendment provides for the general operations of the Sobering Center, which includes personnel and other expenses to operate the Center. The Sobering Center offers a safe environment for publicly intoxicated individuals to sober up, and when appropriate, provides a bridge to recovery.

2) *Were the funds from other extensions (excluding the COVID specific one in Amendment 3) used for general operations or to any specific programs or services?*

The funds from other extensions were also for the general operations of the Sobering Center.

3) *When would the next extension likely be?*

The current interlocal agreement currently has no more extension options. The City will begin negotiating a new agreement with Travis County and the Sobering Center that will be slated to begin on October 1, 2023.

4) *Is there a rough estimate as to how much the next extension would cost? And if not, what factors will determine how much the next extension is??*

Based on projections provided by the Sobering Center, the next extension would cost \$2,393,821. There is currently \$2,353,789 projected to be available for the Sobering Center for FY24.





### Council Question and Answer

Related To

Item #52

Meeting Date

January 26, 2023

### Additional Answer Information

**Item #52:** Approve a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Texas Department of Transportation 2023 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program to fund a feasibility study, environmental clearance, and potential construction of a shared use path along SL 360 from Loop 1 to US 183.

#### MAYOR PRO TEM ELLIS' OFFICE

- 1) *Can staff please confirm that ATD's intent for the City's TASA application is to seek to fund only segments of shared-use path (SUP) that TxDOT has NOT already expressed intent to fund and construct through their Loop 360 Program (as documented on their project pages at <http://loop360project.com/projects.htm>)?*

The grant seeks funds to complete gaps in the planned SUP to provide a continuous facility along SL 360. There are currently segments outside the limits of the SL 360 Projects that are not planned to be funded by TxDOT.

- 2) *Can staff please share the "TxDOT/CoA Bicycle Accommodation Facility Comparison" map and indicate which segments the proposed TASA application hopes to address?*

Based on preliminary discussions with TxDOT, the grant application will include the following activities:

- SL 360 from FM 2244 to Westlake – Funding for preliminary engineering and environmental clearance (Segment 20 on map)
- SL 360 from Lakewood Drive to Spicewood Springs Road – Funding for design and construction of Shared Use Path (SUP) on east side of SL360 including a crossing over Bull Creek (Segment 7 on map)
- SL 360 from Spicewood Springs Road to US 183 Service Road – Funding for preliminary engineering, environmental clearance, design, and construction of SUP on east side of SL 360 (Segment 4 on map)

Discussions with TxDOT team will continue after submission of the initial grant application to order and submit the most competitive project for grant funding. Therefore, the items above are subject to change.

- 3) *Can staff please provide a brief update on the status of TxDOT's planned project for Loop 360 from RM 2244 to Mopac (the southern intersection of Mopac and 360)?*

It is staff's understanding that this segment of LP 360 is currently on hold pending further public engagement and potential need for updates to environmental studies

TxDOT/CoA Bicycle Accommodation Facility Comparison

- 1

Connection to MoPac SUP & Northern Walnut Creek Tr.  
No TxDOT funding available.  
Outside TxDOT project limits.
- 2

**GAP: Between US 183 & MoPac (Future CoA Project)**  
No TxDOT funding available.  
Outside TxDOT project limits.
- 3

Arboretum to Jollyville SUP.  
Outside TxDOT project limits.
- 4

**GAP: Potential connection between Spicewood Springs Rd bond project and US 183.**  
Outside TxDOT project limits.
- 5

Funded CoA Spicewood Springs Rd bond project. SUPs on both sides, Old Spicewood Springs Rd converted to bike/ped only.  
No TxDOT funding available.
- 6

SUP moved from west side to east side following discussion with CoA.
- 7

**GAP: Potential connection between Spicewood Springs Rd and Lakewood Dr**  
Direction from TxDOT to environmentally clear with phased implementation and construct when funded by CoA.
- 8

Project includes sidewalk crossing at Spicewood Springs Rd (east)/Bluffstone Ln.
- 9

Potential access under bridge to park & hike/bike trail.  
Not included in TxDOT projects.
- 10

Project includes sidewalk crossing at Lakewood Dr.
- 11

**GAP: Between TxDOT proposed Lakewood Dr and RM 2222 projects.**  
TxDOT decision is pending evaluation of Y concept between Courtyard Dr and RM 2222.

- 12

**Two alternatives for SUP crossing at 2222: One with signal timing implications, one grade-separated.**  
Crossing of RM 2222 will be at-grade utilizing signals.
- 13

**At-grade and grade-separated alternatives with trade-offs on cost and excavation.**  
TxDOT is evaluating Y concept to assist in reducing necessary rock cut.
- 14

**GAP: Modify Pennybacker Bridge five-foot sidewalk to 12-foot SUP.**  
There is insufficient space on the current Pennybacker Bridge to expand the width of the sidewalk while preserving space for future third lanes.
- 15

Proposed Cedar St and Westlake Dr bridges are wide enough for an SUP on one side of roadway, but the plans do not label them as "SUP" since the cross-street approaches do not currently have SUPs.
- 16

NB side south of Westlake Dr:  
Width may be available only for a sidewalk instead of SUP due to geotech requirements for distance of cut to ROW.
- 17

**Possible alternative grade-separation opportunity under Westlake Dr due to regrading.**  
Border area currently over-congested with underground utilities. Additional utilities will also be seeking to relocate to this area.
- 18

NB side in general:  
Public feedback from adjacent neighborhoods is strongly against inclusion of any SUP on NB side of project. Homeowners directly adjacent to ROW do not want pedestrians on SL 360 so close to their residence.
- 19

**TxDOT has not yet proposed SUP alignment south of Westlake Dr project.**
- 20

**CoA preferred primary SUP alignment.**  
This is beyond the project limits and no funding is available within the TxDOT SL 360 program. The proximity of the cliffs on either side of Loop 360 will likely require substantial cliff cuts regardless of the placement of the SUP.
- 21

**CoA preferred SUP crossing location at Lost Creek Blvd.**  
This will be evaluated during the geometric exhibit development phase of this project which is to begin in August 2019.
- 22

**Existing bike routes on Westbank Dr and Walsh Tarlton Ln.**  
Connectivity to be provided with SUP on west side of SL 360.
- 23

TxDOT proposes to construct a SUP on the west side of SL 360 from Stoneridge Rd to MoPac.
- 24

SUP width is 10 feet, but buffer to face of curb in this area is limited to three feet in order to fit construction within existing ROW.
- 25

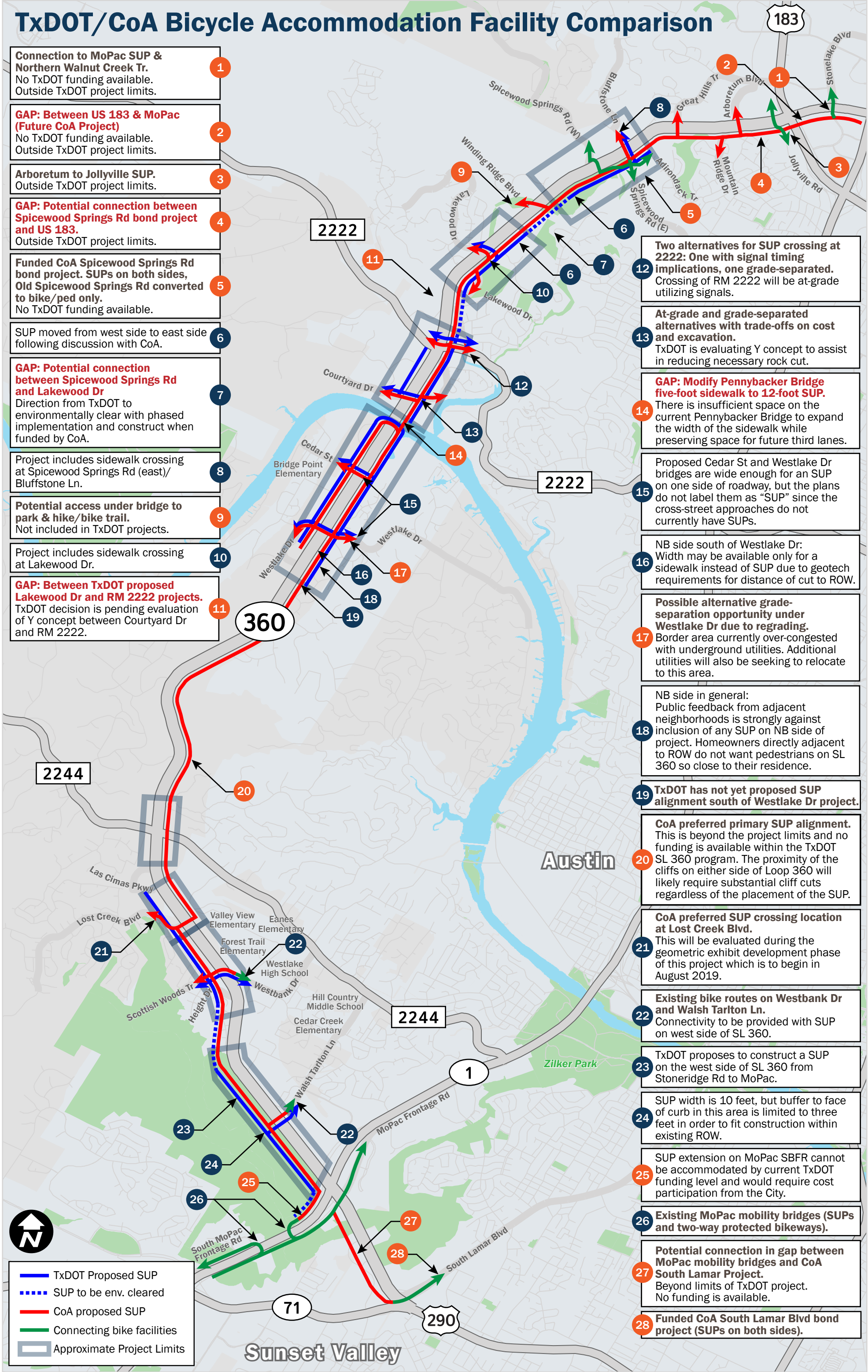
SUP extension on MoPac SBFR cannot be accommodated by current TxDOT funding level and would require cost participation from the City.
- 26

**Existing MoPac mobility bridges (SUPs and two-way protected bikeways).**
- 27

**Potential connection in gap between MoPac mobility bridges and CoA South Lamar Project.**  
Beyond limits of TxDOT project. No funding is available.
- 28

**Funded CoA South Lamar Blvd bond project (SUPs on both sides).**

- TxDOT Proposed SUP
- SUP to be env. cleared
- CoA proposed SUP
- Connecting bike facilities
- Approximate Project Limits







### Council Question and Answer

Related To

Item #55

Meeting Date

January 26, 2023

### Additional Answer Information

**Item #55:** Approve a resolution related to creating an economic development program for affordable child care operations and initiating amendments to Title 25 of the City Code to increase the availability of child care services.

**COUNCIL MEMBER R. ALTER'S OFFICE**

**1) How many applications are there annually to change the use of a property to a day care facility?**

Due to permitting system limitations, it is not possible to arrive at an exact number of applications to change the use of a property to a day care facility. To determine an approximate number, staff searched the permitting database for descriptions of work that indicated a change of use to daycare over the last 5 years. Search parameters did not include new construction, tenant finish-outs, or amnesty certificate of occupancy cases.

Year	Number of Applications
2018	12
2019	8
2020	10
2021	4
2022	8

**2) What is typical for the total cost of permits and fees assessed when opening or expanding a qualifying childcare operation using our current rate schedule?**

Typical DSD fees for opening or expanding day care facilities would be assessed by square-footage. In addition, most change-of-use applications require a Site Plan Exemption. Current fees are estimated below based on a typical day care occupancy and building size of up to 1,500 square feet. Depending on the specifics of the project, additional fees could be assessed for other reviews, inspections, or permits.

Site Plan Exemption	\$282.88
Commercial Building Plan Review	\$3,018.60
Permits	
Building	\$264.83
Electrical	\$256.10
Mechanical	\$238.63
Plumbing	\$282.30
Energy	\$34.93
<b>Total DSD fees</b>	<b>\$4,378.27</b>