

Carbon Reduction Program - Waco MPO Project Submission

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Introduction

Proposed Project Details

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Project Title:	Frogger
Project Location:	https://goo.gl/maps/rxg1wwJnSYvGG8qS9
Project Location	https://goo.gl/maps/cvwQ4GKDFgsMBakr5 Map (31.4484931, -97.4057033)

Project Description:

Installation of pedestrian activated crossings at the corners of W 3rd/TX-317 and W 6th/TX-317. Traffic lights exist there already, but no ability to activate them for safe ped/bike crossing. This would encourage non-motorized travel throughout the downtown area of McGregor. The 3rd Street crossing benefits downtown walk-ability, as well as community access to the proposed TXDOT TA SUP, which would start at The Exchange and run along the old rail bed to Cotton Belt Parkway. The 6th Street crossing further benefits downtown walk-ability, as well as accessibility throughout the community, as 6th Street is a major neighborhood connector East-West to Johnson Drive in McGregor.

Alignment with Prioritization Criteria:

1. Is your project a listed, eligible activity? **Yes**

If yes, which eligible category does your project fall under? If no, how and to what degree would your project measurably reduce transportation emissions?

2.

Does your proposed project reduce transportation emissions? In what ways?

Increases safety while traveling throughout the community for non-motorized travelers. Encourages users to walk or bike versus driving short distances, often less than ¼ mile away.

3.

Does your proposed project address racial equity, workforce and economic development, remove barriers to opportunity in both rural and urban communities, or which redress prior inequities and barriers to opportunity? How? (Project prioritization considers both AOPP and overall mobility needs.)

Provides better protection for students living East of TX-317 that are attending all grade levels within MISD School District and walk or bike to school (in-line with Safe Routes to Schools ideology). Supports job growth by providing safer routes to new employment opportunities in McGregor's industrial park. Increases economic development by encouraging walking in the downtown area.

4.

Will your proposed project benefit future generations? In what ways?

Certainly! It reduces carbon emissions by reducing short trips, encouraging walking or biking, and adds a layer of protection to non-motorized travel when interacting with highway traffic. These technology additions will aid in decreasing the likelihood of incidents involving pedestrians or bicyclists.

5.

Does your proposed project take into account the ways in which it interacts with surrounding areas and influences current and future accessibility and uses? How?

This CRP proposal would better connect multiple established neighborhoods, that are somewhat disconnected due to the lack of safety and reliability at these intersections. Although traffic lights exist at these locations, the ability to cross safely and quickly causes people to drive very short distances they could otherwise walk or bike if a layer of accessibility and protection were provided through better technology integration. Additionally, the City of McGregor's proposed TXDOT TA SUP project currently plans to terminate westbound at The Exchange Event Center parking lot. An activated crossing at W 3rd/TX-317 would allow safer travel, especially bike and ped, to continue with little impediment on established neighborhood roads throughout West and Southwest McGregor, thereby increasing the impact the SUP could have within the immediate area.

6.

What is the Local match committed to this project?

20% through municipal funding. Will inquire with TXDOT about any support they might provide since these crossings are on their ROW.

7.

What is the readiness level of the project? Project funds are available for obligation for a maximum of 4 years (3 years after the last day of the fiscal year for which funds are authorized). Please indicate project status for design, engineering (if applicable), ROWs, and cost estimates.

- 1. Design/Engineering - 1 (previous application info can be updated)**
 - 2. Right of Way Acquisition - 2 (Ours and TXDOT. We have a good relationship.)**
 - 3. Utility Relocation - 2 (electricity and traffic lights at site)**
 - 4. Cost Estimates - 1 (previous application info can be updated)**
 - 5. Environmental Review - 2**
- TOTAL: 8**

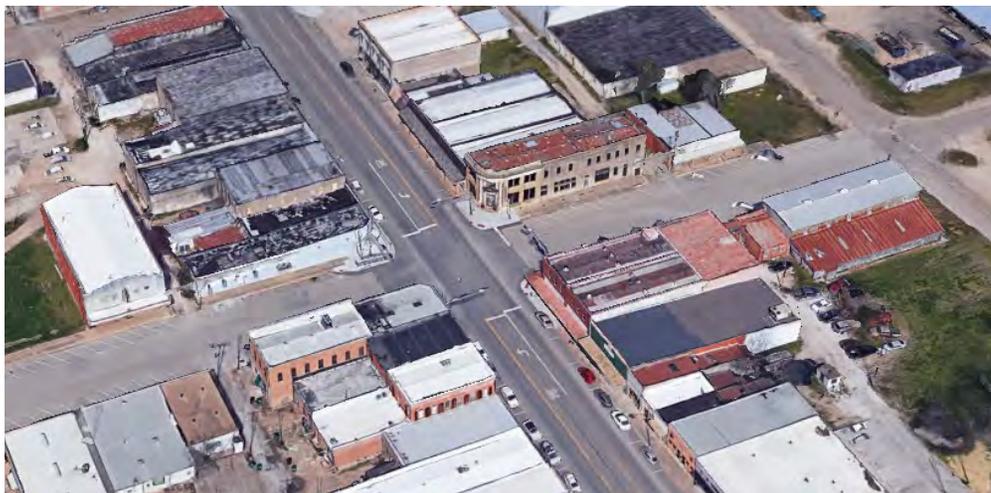
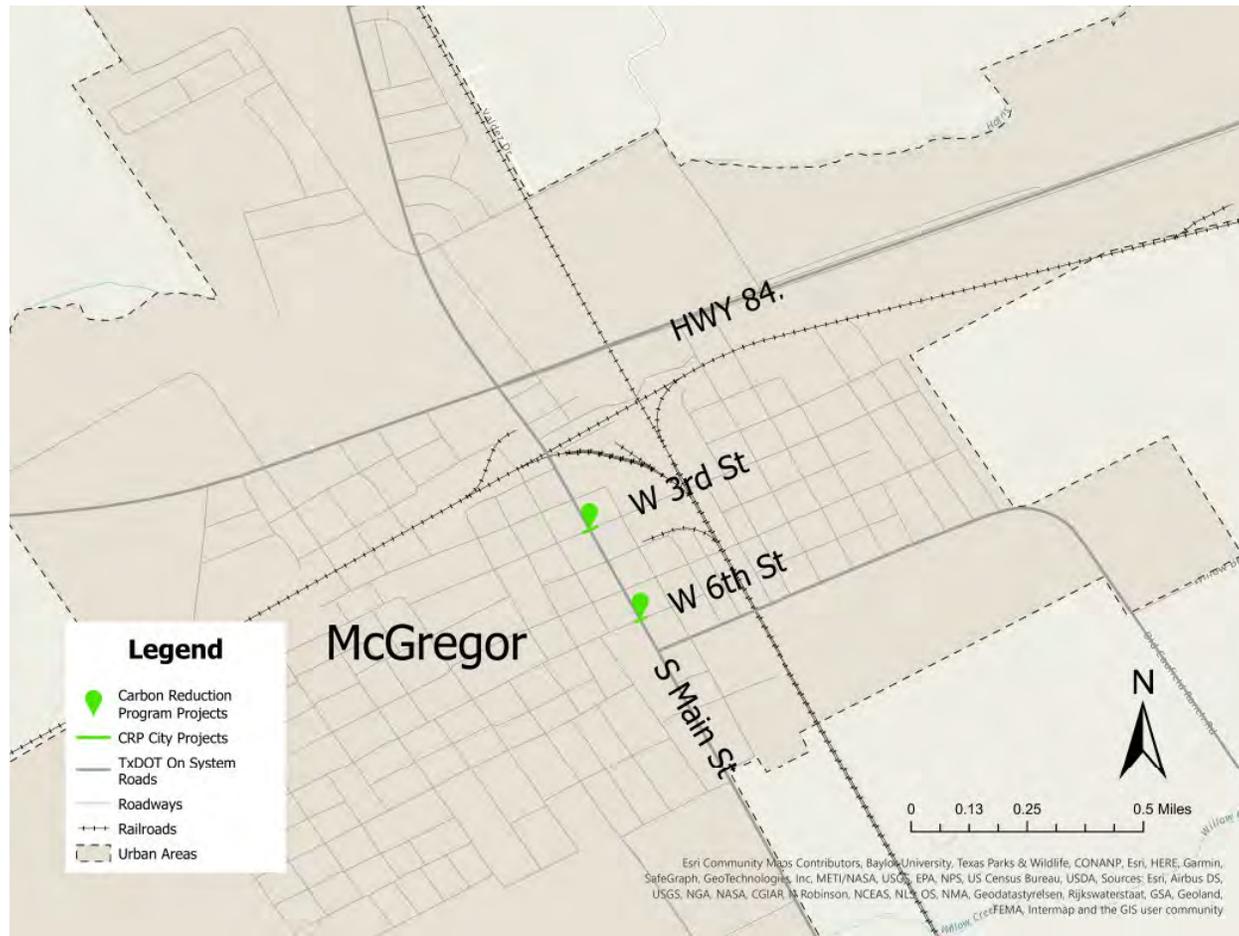
8.

Does proposed project have community support? If yes, to what extent?

- 1. Previously Identified Local Priority - 2**
 - 2. Has Undergone Public Engagement Process - 2**
 - 3. Has Documented Positive Public Comments - 1 (mostly verbal)**
 - 4. Has Endorsement from Public Officials - 2**
 - 5. Has Other Related Documentation Demonstrating Public Support - 2 (previous application denotes existing support)**
- TOTAL: 9**

Please include letters of support, public comments, endorsement from public officials, or other related documentation demonstrating type and caliber of community support.

[Resolution of support for TxDOT Grant for pedestrian signals.docx](#)



A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CITY OF MCGREGOR APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S 2021 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES
SET-ASIDE (TA) CALL FOR PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation issued a call for projects in January 2021 for communities to apply for funding assistance through the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) Program; and

WHEREAS, the TA funds may be used for development of preliminary engineering (plans, specifications, and estimates and environmental documentation) and construction of pedestrian and/or bicycle infrastructure. The TA funds require a local match, comprised of cash or Transportation Development Credits (TDCs), if eligible. The City of McGregor would be responsible for all non-reimbursable costs and 100% of overruns, if any, for TA funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCGREGOR THAT: The City of McGregor supports funding this project as described in the 2021 TA Detailed Application (including the preliminary engineering budget, if any, construction budget, the department's 15% direct state cost for oversight, and the required local match, if any) and is willing to commit to the project's development, implementation, construction, maintenance, management, and financing. The City of McGregor is willing and able to enter into an agreement with the department by resolution or ordinance, should the project be selected for funding.

DULY PASSED by majority vote of all members of the City Council of the City of McGregor on the 10th day of May 2021.