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To: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
From: Gayle Cook, City Manager  
Date: October 6, 2020  
Subject: City Council Update

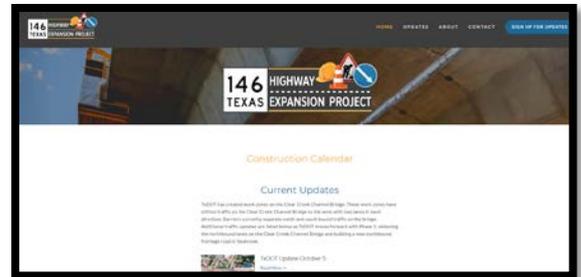
## SH 146 Expansion

The current phases that are in progress:

Phase 1 Step 1: Widen northbound side of existing bridge. Add one travel lane and one 14-foot wide bicycle lane. Anticipated completion: early 2021.

Phase 1 Step 2: Construct northbound frontage road in Seabrook. Anticipated completion: 5 months, pending utility relocations.

Phase 2: Widen southbound side of existing bridge. Build majority of Express Bridge. Build remainder of northbound frontage road in Seabrook. 1. Began April 2020. Approximate duration: 2 years. In Phase 2, traffic shift underway from El Mar to SH96.



Upcoming closures for Seabrook will include the channel for demo and construction of the bridge widening. South channel will be closed beginning October 19, 2020.

## Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)

City staff is currently managing over \$48 million in active CIP projects.

### Pine Gully Wastewater Treatment Plan Retrofit \$35,946,438 (C.O.s/HMGP)

The 90% design plans are expected in coming two weeks for review. November 2020, is still the anticipated 100% design date for the city to apply for Phase II of the HMGP Grant process for construction.

### SH 146 City Utility Relocates (CIP W7 and WW8) \$3,694,358 (SIB)

The majority of all lateral runs have been installed and small segments including those across side streets remain.

### Friendship Elevated Water Tower Project (W11) \$350,000 (Impact Fees)

On September 15, 2020, City Council approved the bid and this project is forecasted for late 2020.

### Chloramine Conversion (CIP W13) \$272,875 (Enterprise Fund)

In progress

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### **SMART Meter (CIP FAC6) \$3,000,000 (C.O.s 2020)**

September 3, 2020 Bid Opening. Staff evaluated bids and will be making a recommendation on the October 20, 2020 Meeting.



### **Seascape and Baybrook Subdivision HCFCD Bond E-07 (D11 and D12) \$2,238,000 (Total Project Cost)**

As part of the Certificates of Obligation recently issued for 2020, Seascape and Baybrook Subdivision drainage improvement projects have started. City staff have been notified that a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) is in progress.

### **Red Bluff Road Expansion TxDOT and Harris County Project**

Phase I : Complete

Phase II: In Progress

New bridge work underway in forming and pouring support and setting spans

Phase III: In Progress

Step 1: 10/2020- 12/2020

Roadway shift and ROW preparation for westbound lanes

Step 2: 12/2020 – 2/2021

Phase IV: 2/2021 – 4/2021

Phase V: 4/2021

Completion: 4/30/2021

### **EI Mar Ditch HCFCD Bond E-07 (D2) \$3,905,527 (Total Project Cost)**

Project is in environmental phase and public comment is under review.

### **Rail Spur Project (Port of Houston and FUSED Industries)**

Phase III for Track installation and removal of temporary materials with final striping is pending

### **Lower Clear Creek Study**

Next Meeting – November 4, 2020

Final – February 2021

In August 2017, Hurricane Harvey struck the Texas coast, bringing an unprecedented amount of rainfall to the Houston region. As was the case with most of the watersheds in the region, the Clear Creek and Dickinson Bayou watersheds experienced widespread flooding, which resulted in significant damages.

The Lower Clear Creek and Dickinson Bayou Watershed Study, led by the City of League City in cooperation with the Harris County Flood Control District (HCFCD) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), will develop a comprehensive flood mitigation plan for the Lower Clear Creek and Dickinson Bayou watersheds. This will be accomplished by identifying vulnerabilities and developing concepts to reduce flooding. Once developed, these concepts will be refined, and potentially combined, into actionable alternatives to yield the most beneficial flood damage reduction projects for the Lower Clear Creek and Dickinson Bayou watersheds.

### **CDBG-MIT**

Application is in progress for Cost Sharing of the Pine Gully Wastewater Retrofit HMGP Grant

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**Grants Update**



**Port of Houston Community Grant \$50,000 –**

This grant application was not selected

**FEMA – Public Assistance – COVID-19 Disaster**

City of Seabrook has expended approximately \$60k in costs directly related to COVID-19 and is accounted separately by Finance for federal and CRF reimbursement.

**FEMA – Public Assistance – Hurricane Laura Disaster**

City of Seabrook expenses force account labor and equipment of approximately \$71k in preparations and stand-by for Hurricane Laura. An initial kick off briefing will begin the opening of this reimbursement process.

**FEMA – Public Assistance – TS Beta**

Pending total force account labor and equipment totals

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**CARES Act – Small City Assistance Program \$786,005**

\$244,600 for the Seabrook Economic Incentive Program for business during COVID under the category of Economic Expenses. Staff presented a Spending Plan for remaining funds for review by Harris County consultation and future approval by City Council.

**Texas Parks and Wildlife Grant (TPWG)**

In Progress. Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission to begin environmental and archeological resource reviews.

**Livable Centers Program (HGAC) – Old Seabrook District \$194,000**

Paul Chavez, Sean Landis met with selected consultant and HGAC on October 5, 2020, to discuss scope of project. EDC on October 8, 2020 will consider the agreement to initiate services and a timeline and kickoff will be announced in November, 2020.

The plan is to recommend projects that would encourage walkability, connection within and between nodes of community activity and build on environment strategies that support local economic development and employment.