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**City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 6:00 pm**

Bastrop City Council Chambers, 1311 Chestnut St. Bastrop, Texas 78602

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1. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Kesselus called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Council Members Present

Kenneth W. Kesselus, Mayor
Dock Jackson, Place 1
Joseph Beal, Place 2
Kay Garcia-McAnally, Place 3
Willie DeLaRosa, Pl. 4/ Mayor Pro-Tem
Kelly Gilleland, Place 5

Election Candidate

Gary Schiff, Place 2

Media

Freelance Reporter Terry Hagerty
Bastrop Advertiser Reporter Debbie Moore

City Staff in Attendance

City Manager Michael H. Talbot
City Attorney Jo-Christy Brown
Chief Financial Officer/ACM Karla Stovall
City Secretary Elizabeth Lopez
City Engineer Wesley Brandon
EDC Executive Assistant Angela Ryan
IT Director Andres Rosales
Main Street Program Director Nancy Wood
Parks & Utility Director Trey Job
Planning/Development Director Melissa McCollum
Police Chief Steve Adcock
Assistant Police Chief James Altgelt

4. PRESENTATION - a) Bastrop Student Character Trait Education “Justice”- Mayor Kesselus invited Londyn Wilson a Third-Grade Student at Emile Elementary, who presented her speech on the importance of Justice. She is an animal lover and an avid dancer. She was accompanied by her proud parents Dennis and Alyssa Diggs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 6:05 p.m., Mayor Kesselus convened the Bastrop City Council into Executive Session and in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, and discussed the following item(s) in closed session.

a) SECTION 551.071 – *Consultations with Attorney related to legal matters concerning: 1) Potential, pending, threatened, and/or contemplated litigation the proposed “Settlement Agreement to be considered between the City of Bastrop and the McCall Ranch, LP. & Ms. Mary Jo Goertz” 2) Potential Claims against the City 3) Including Matters in Which the Attorney has a duty to advise the Governing Body.*

At 6:35 p.m., Mayor Kesselus reconvened the Bastrop City Council into the regular session.

- 2. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE**– City Manager Michael H. Talbot
- 3. INVOCATION**–Mayor Kesselus lead the invocation and read George Washington’s “Earnest Prayer.”
- 4. PRESENTATION(S)** – Mayor Kesselus invited guest speaker Mason Gemar, PhD, PE, PTOE from the Center for Transportation Research at the University of Texas at Austin. He addressed the Council and presented their recommendations on the upcoming State Highway 71 Improvements, the Impacts of Construction and Build-out on Traffic in the City of Bastrop. **EXHIBIT - A**
- 5. PROCLAMATION** – In recognition of Black History Month February 1st – 28th, Mayor Kesselus read the Proclamation and requested that it be posted and have copies available for the public.
- 6. CITIZEN COMMENTS** - Rick Brackett, owner of Neighbors addressed the Council and requested their consideration on the need for lighting at Alley B. Mayor Kesselus thanked him for expressing his concern. City Manager Talbot took the opportunity to inform the Council that this concern would be evaluated and an update would be provided for their consideration at the next City Council meeting.
- 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Council Member McAnally acknowledged Debbie Moore for the appreciation expressed by the Texas Film Commission during their recent production of “That’s what I’m talking about.” They were grateful for the Texas hospitality and appreciate the City of Bastrop’s support. Council Member McAnally expressed the monetary contributions made to our community during these filming productions and once again expressed her appreciation for Debbie Moore. City Manager Talbot expressed his gratitude for her invaluable assistance with new film applications.

City Manager Talbot took a moment to provide a heart-felt public apology to the Council for a public response made regarding his bi-weekly report. The Council expressed their acceptance of his apology and understand that everyone makes

mistakes. Council Member Beal expressed his respect for City Manager and stated “*it takes a hell of a man to do what you just did.*”

Mayor Kesselus invited City Manager Talbot to provide his Informational Report for February 10, 2015:

- D. Review of the City Council Planning Retreat held on January 31, 2015. – City Manager Talbot invited comments and feedback from the City Council Retreat. He advised the Council that he is working on an Executive Report that will provide an overview of the discussions and the various topics discussed at the retreat. Mayor Kesselus has requested a Special Meeting on March 17, 2015 to review and assign priority to the topics discussed.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

A.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS HELD ON JAN. 13 & JAN. 31, 2015.

A.2 APPROVAL OF BASTROP MARKETING CORPORATION’S REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES.

Mayor Kesselus requested a motion to approve consent agenda items A.1 and A.2. **MOTION**– Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa made the motion to approve Consent Agenda Items A.1 and A.2. Seconded by Council Member McAnally, motion carried by unanimous vote 5-0.

A.3 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE SECOND READING OF A PROPOSED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS; APPROACHING THE VARIOUS AMOUNTS HEREIN; REPEALING ALL PRIOR ORDINANCES AND ACTIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

In recognition of a the Second Reading of an Ordinance, Mayor Kesselus read the agenda caption for item A.3, and followed with a request for a motion. **MOTION**- Council Member Gilleland made motion to approve Consent Agenda item A.3, the Second Reading of an Ordinance amending the budget for Fiscal Year 2015. Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa, motion carried by unanimous vote 5-0.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, & OTHER ITEMS ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION

C. OLD BUSINESS

D. NEW BUSINESS

D.1 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CITY OF BASTROP GOVERNANCE POLICY ADDING SECTION III. “MEETING AGENDA, NOTICE & PREPARTION” AS A NEW SUB-PARAGRAPH G. (Council Member McAnally)

Council Member McAnally expressed the importance of updating the Governance Policy that requires that any item that calls for an expenditure of \$10,000 dollars or more that is reflected in the City Manager’s report must be posted as an agenda item at a future meeting. This will allow our citizens enough notification, so they may attend the meeting and voice their opinion on the proposed expenditure. Council Member Gilleland concurred with Council Member McAnally’s efforts to update the Governance Policy.

The Council held a discussion and Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa, Council Member Jackson and Council Member Beal were in agreement and in support of the current process. Council Member Beal added that the City Manager Information Report reflects his recommendation for action, but it is at the Councils discretion on how to proceed. He expressed his support of her efforts and he understood the point she was trying to make. Mayor Kesselus requested a motion.

MOTION- Council Member McAnally made motion to approve the inclusion of Section III to the Governance Policy that requires, any item that calls for an expenditure of \$10,000 dollars or more that is reflected in the City Manager’s report must be posted as an agenda item at a future meeting. Seconded by Council Member Gilleland.

Motion failed due to a lack of a majority vote; 2 –Yay (McAnally, Gilleland) / 3 Nay (Jackson, Beal, DeLaRosa)

D.2 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING THE “RFQ” FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF BASTROP AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO COMMENCE THE PROCESS OF SOLICITING PROPOSALS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THE “RFQ” FOR A NEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. (City Manager Talbot)

City Manager Talbot has provided the RFP for the Development of a new Comprehensive Plan for the City Councils consideration and possible approval. This item had been discussed at the City Council Retreat held on January 31, 2015. Mayor Kesselus requested a motion.

MOTION- Council Member McAnally made motion to **approve** the **RFQ** for the **Development** of the **New Comprehensive Plan** for the City of Bastrop and **Direct** the **City Manager** to **commence the process of soliciting proposals** for the Development of a New Comprehensive Plan. Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa, motion carried by unanimous vote 5-0.

D.3 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER AND/OR RATIFY AND/OR RECEIVING INPUT REGARDING ACTION TAKEN BY THE CITY OF BASTROP TAKEN AT THE PINE FORREST UNIT #6 HOA MEETING OF FEBRUARY 7, 2015. (City Manager Talbot)

Mayor Kesselus pulled Agenda Item D.3, upon City Manager Talbot's notification that the meeting had not been held.

D.4 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF BASTROP AND THE MCCALL RANCH, LP AND MS. MARY JO GOERTZ. (City Manager Talbot)

The Council held a discussion and there were all in agreement that this was not in the best interest of the City of Bastrop. Mayor Kesselus requested a motion. **MOTION-** Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa made motion **NOT to accept the settlement agreement** proposed by the McCall Ranch, LP and Mary Jo Goertz. Seconded by Council Member McAnally, motion carried by unanimous vote 5-0.

D.5 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS INDICATING PRELIMINARY SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED MCCALL RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT(S) WITHIN THE CITY'S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION. (City Manager Talbot)

Upon City Manager Talbot's recommendation, Mayor Kesselus requested to place this item for future consideration by the City Council.

D.6 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE REPORT FROM THE AD HOC PARKING COMMITTEE. (Mayor Kesselus)

Mayor Kesselus provided the Council an update on behalf of the Ad HOC Parking Committee. After their discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem expressed the importance of enforcing the parking ordinance in the Downtown area. Mayor Kesselus acknowledged all the good points brought forward by the Council Members. City Manager Talbot recommended placing this as an agenda item on the February 24th meeting and propose a moratorium for the parking enforcement. He will be meeting with the Chief of Police and they will consider the alternatives to address the parking concern in the downtown area.

At 8:12 pm, Mayor Kesselus moved into Executive Session to discuss all the items reflected herewith.

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

E.1 The Bastrop City Council will meet in a closed/executive session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, *et seq.* to discuss the following:

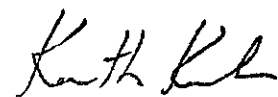
1. Section 551.071(1)(A) & Section 551.071(2)– Consultation with Attorney concerning: (1) potential, pending, threatened, and/or contemplated litigation or claims, including but not limited to and/or (2) matter upon which the Attorney has a duty and/or responsibility to report to the governmental body, concerning same, and/or any other matters posted on the agenda.
2. Section 551.072– Deliberation regarding real property: Regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, disposition, or value of real property
3. Section 551.074– Personnel Matters – Review of City Manager Talbot's Staff Restructuring Plan for better use of Personnel and Senior Level Employee(s).
4. Section 551.086- Certain Public Power Utilities: Competitive Matters.

E.2 The Bastrop City Council will reconvene into open session to discuss, consider and/or take any actions necessary related to the executive sessions noted herein, or regular agenda items, noted above, and/or related items.

At 9:29 p.m., Mayor Kesselus reconvened into regular session. No action taken.

F. ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa moved to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Gilleland and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Approved



Kenneth W. Kesselus, Mayor

Attest



Elizabeth Minerva Lopez, City Secretary



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SH 71 Traffic Analysis

City of Bastrop City Council Meeting

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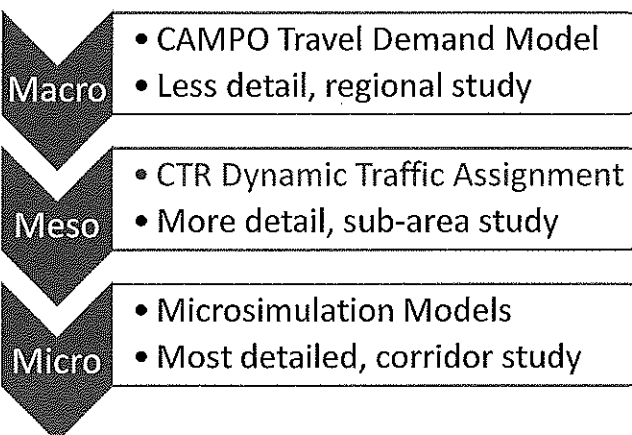
Mason Gemar, PhD, PE, PTOE

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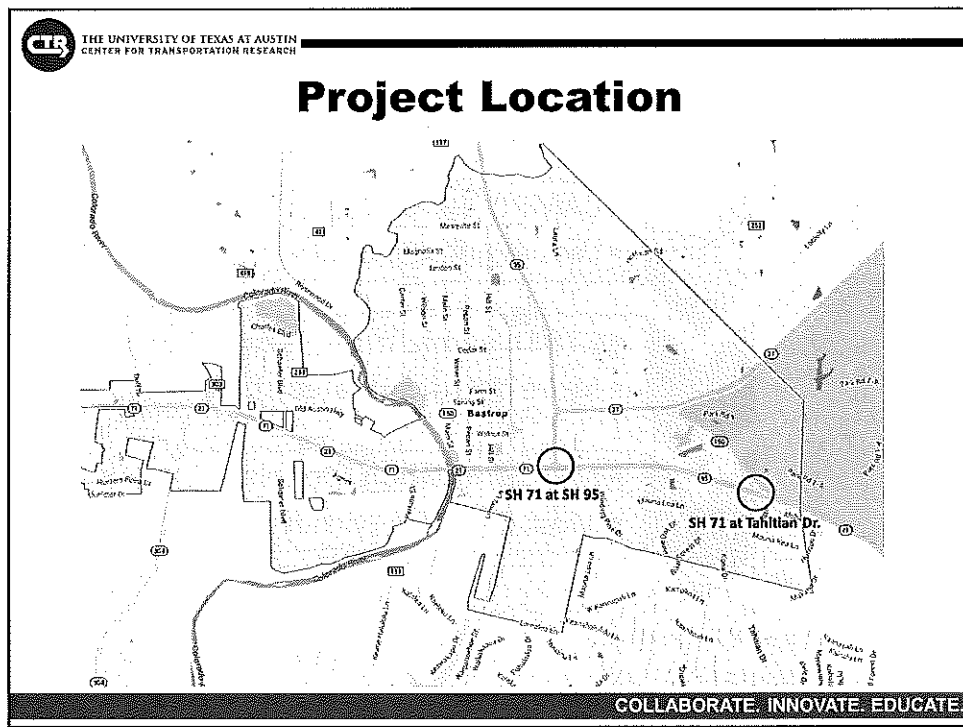
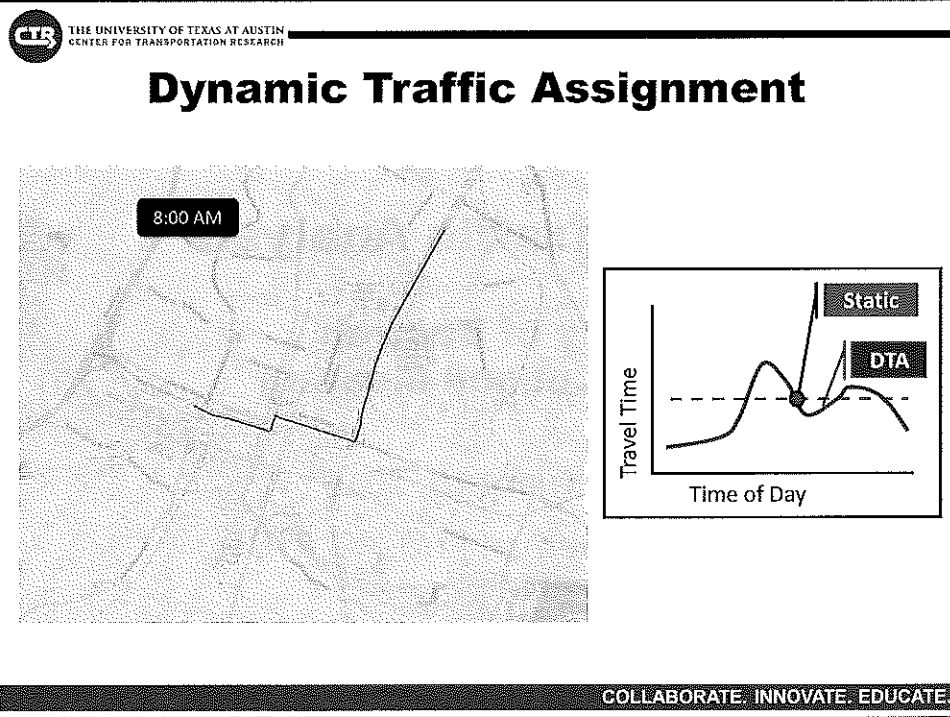
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Model Types



Project Approval/
Implementation

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Project Scope

1. Route diversion during construction resulting in cut-through traffic in downtown Bastrop area
2. Operations during construction

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Model Layout

Legend

- ◆ Traffic Signal
- Node
- Link
- ▨ Bastrop City Limits

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Area Model

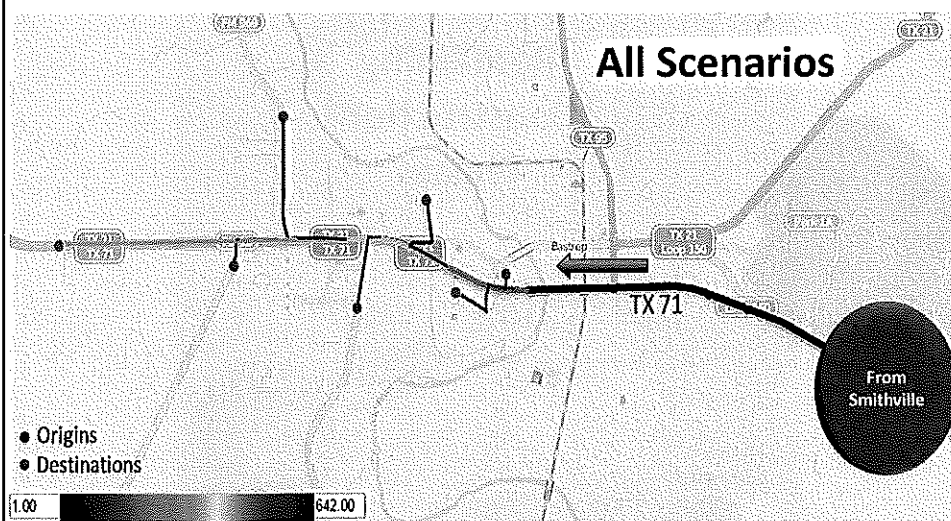
- CAMPO model inputs and additional network detail
- Examined travel patterns before, during and after construction
- Results for morning and afternoon peak periods
- Worst case scenarios

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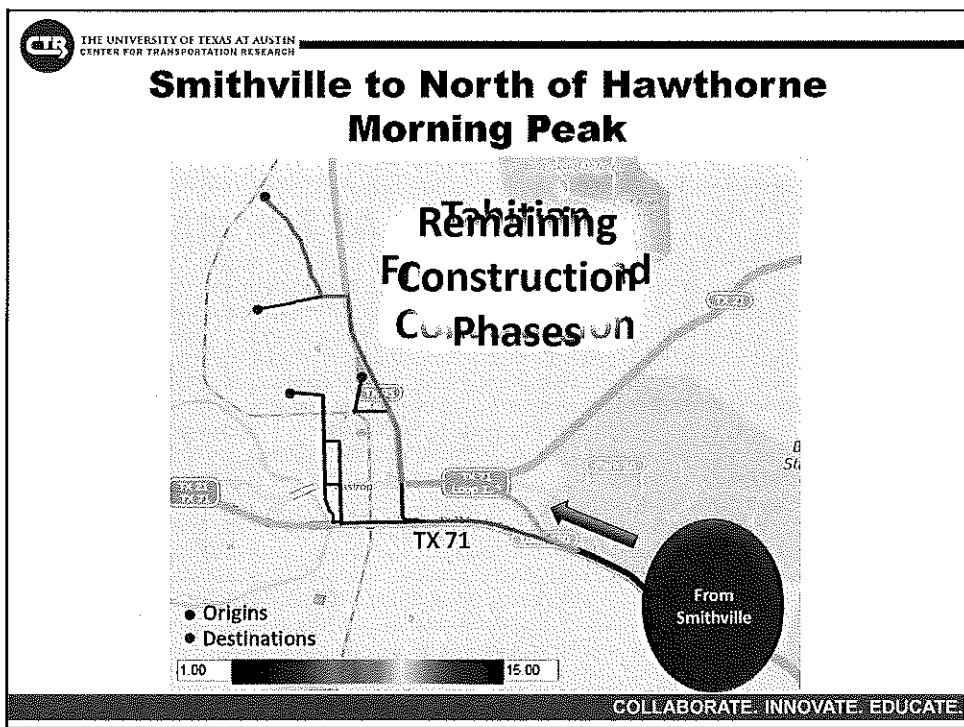
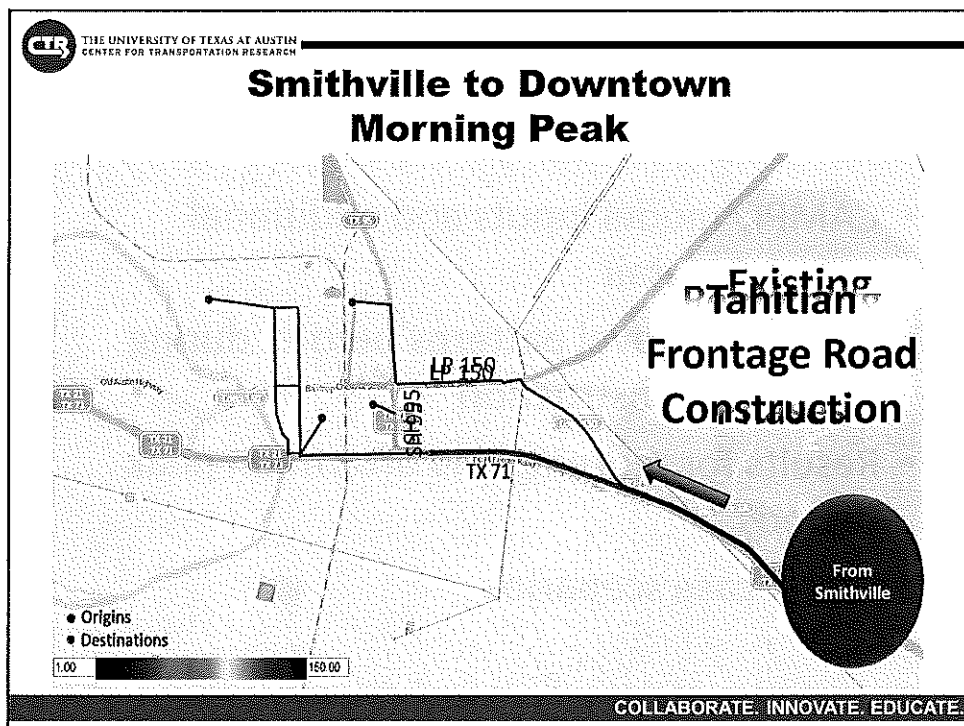


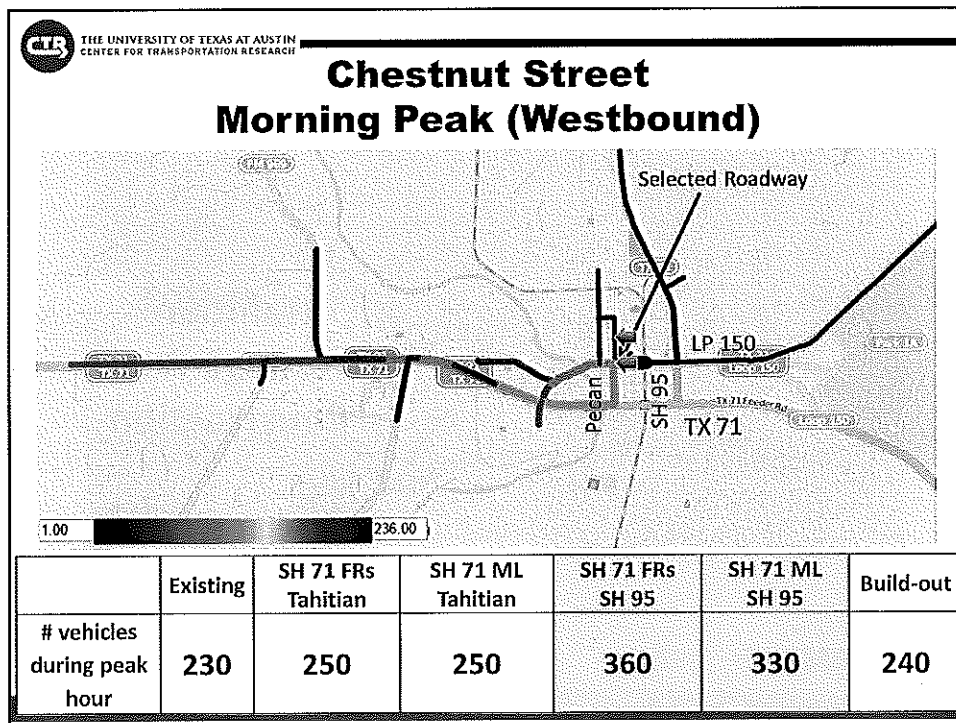
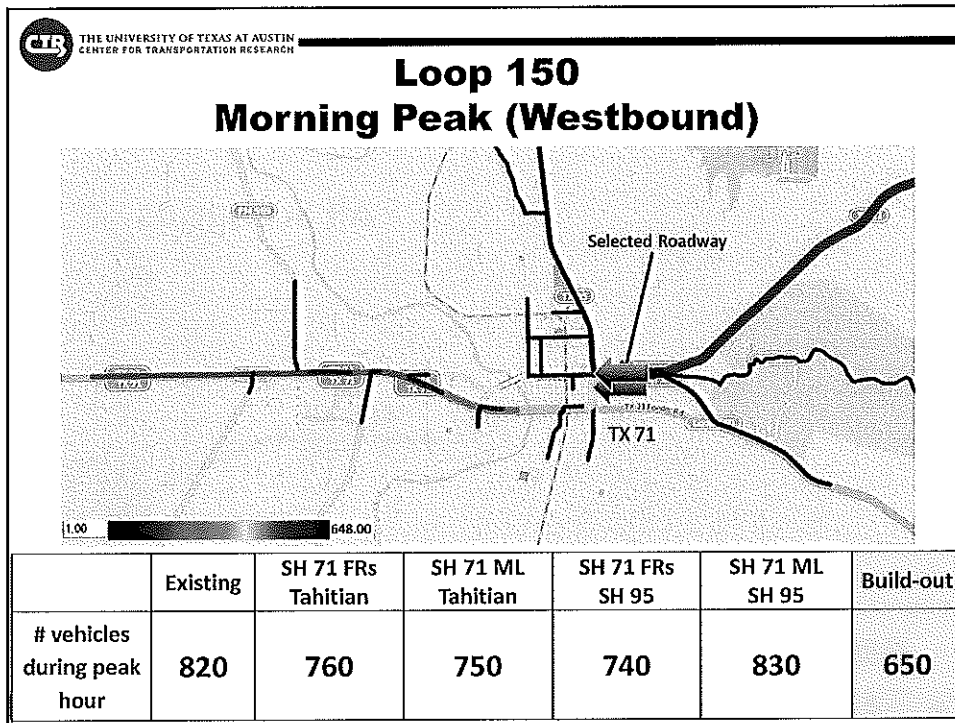
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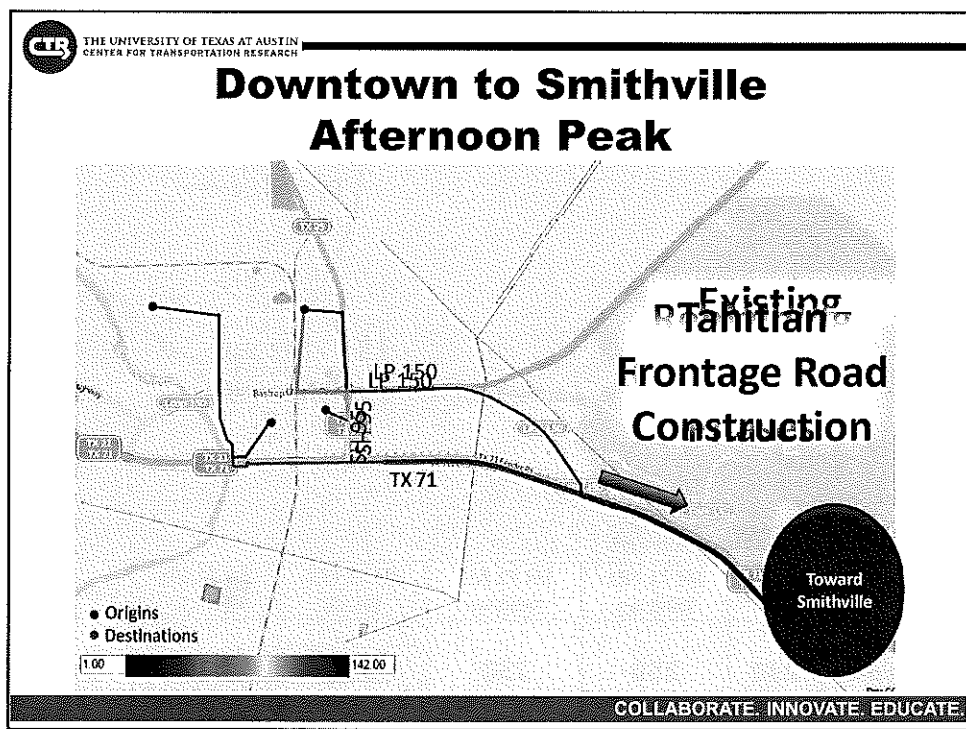
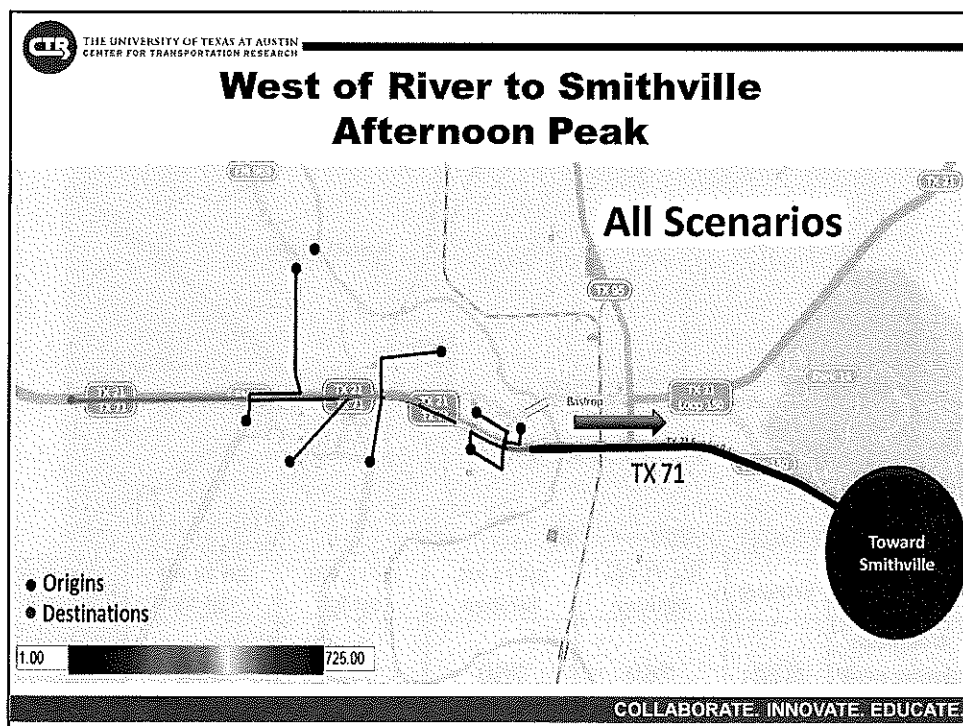
Smithville to West of River Morning Peak

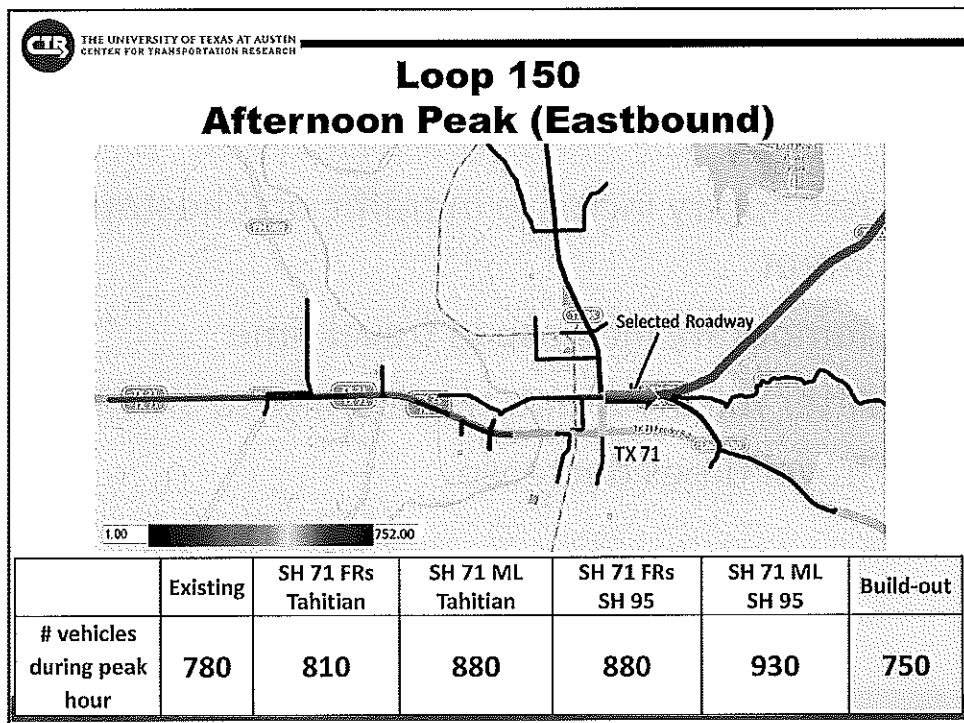
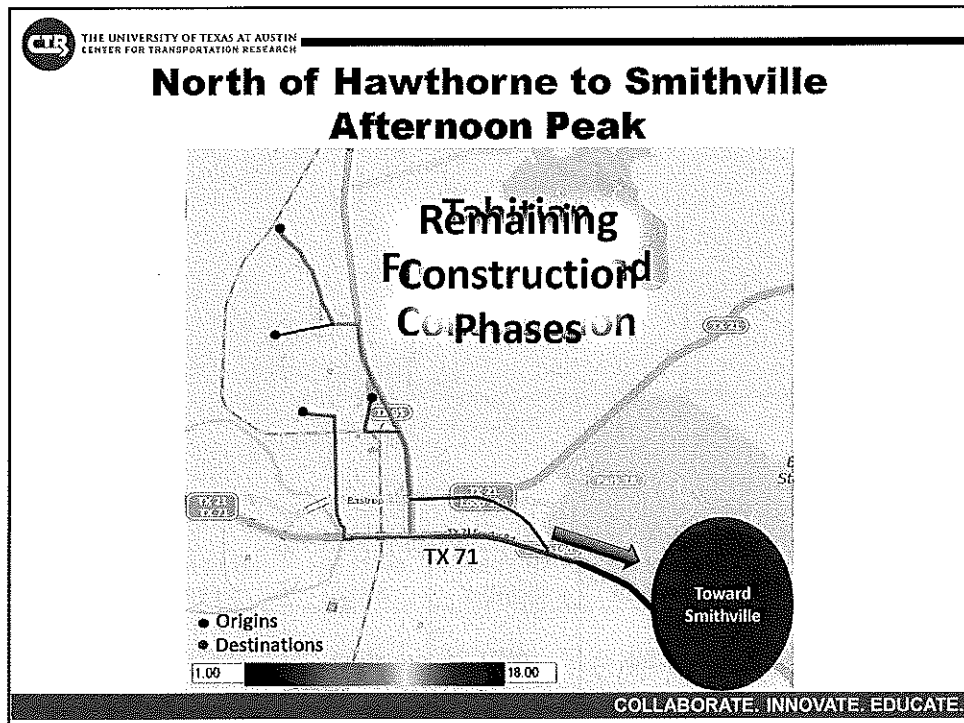


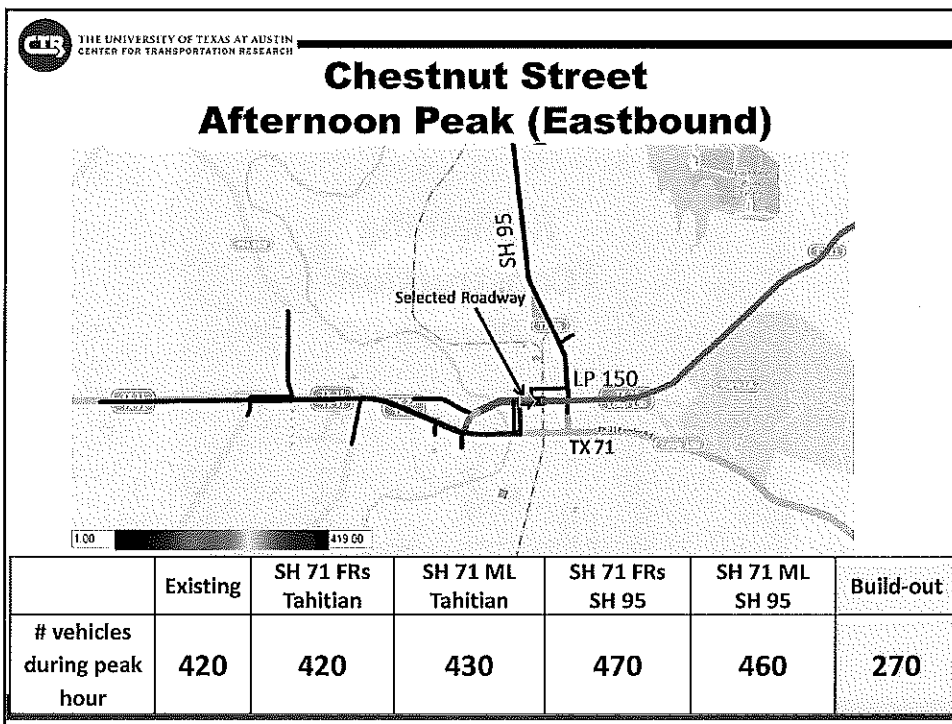
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Area Model Findings

- Temporary increase in traffic on Chestnut Street
- Temporary increase in travel time
- After full build-out, traffic shifts to SH 71
- Travel times decrease

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Intersection Model

- Based on traffic counts
- Investigated numerous construction phases
- Results for morning and afternoon peak hour
- Graded like a report card

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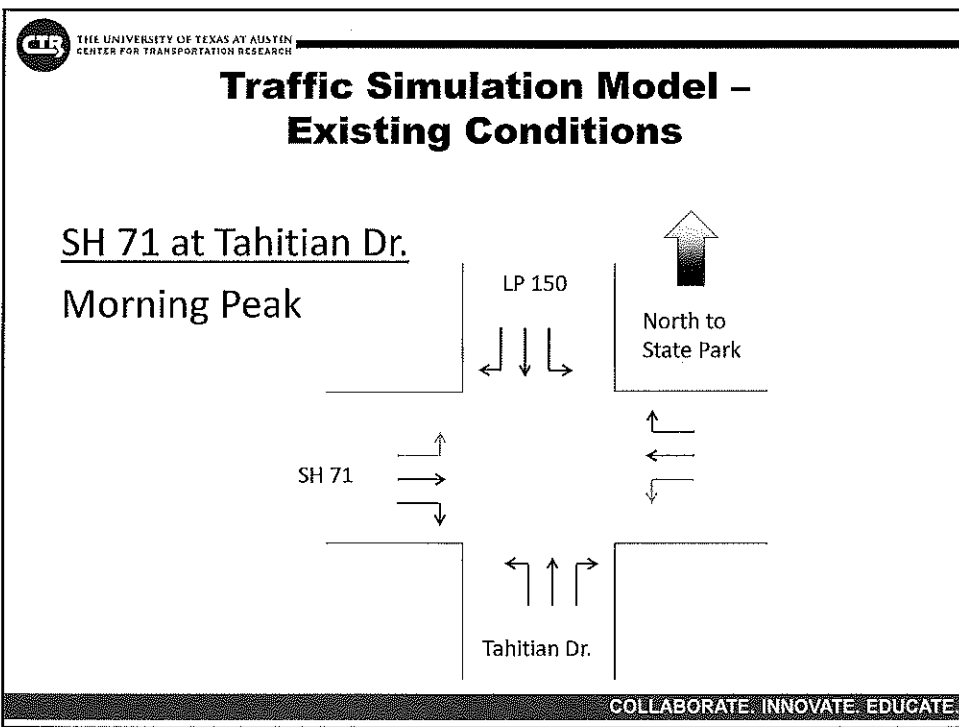
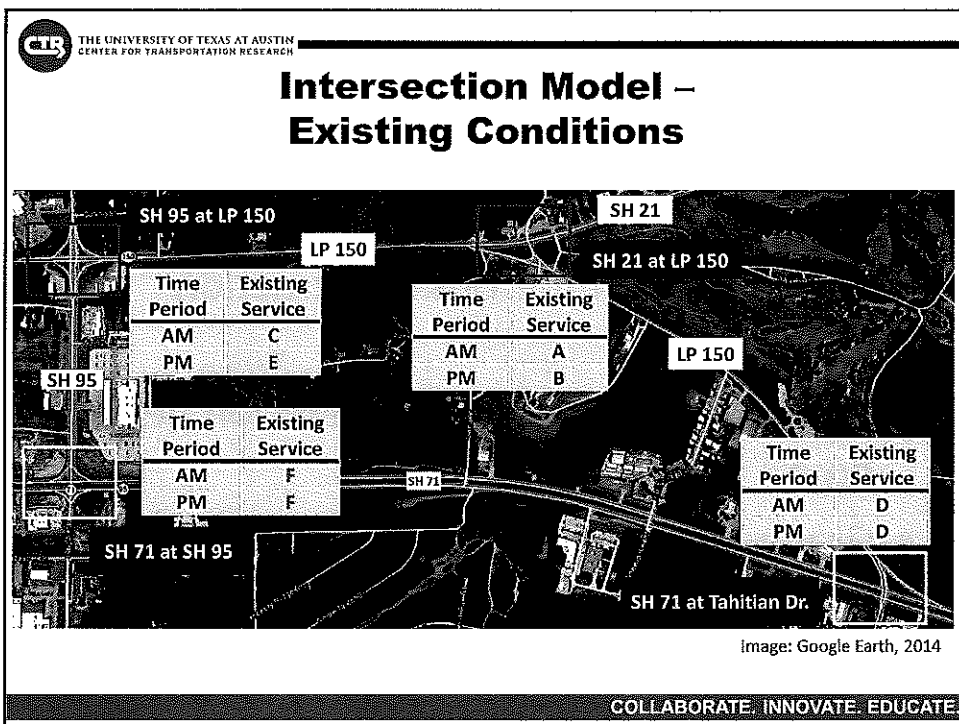
Intersection Traffic Signal Service Measurement

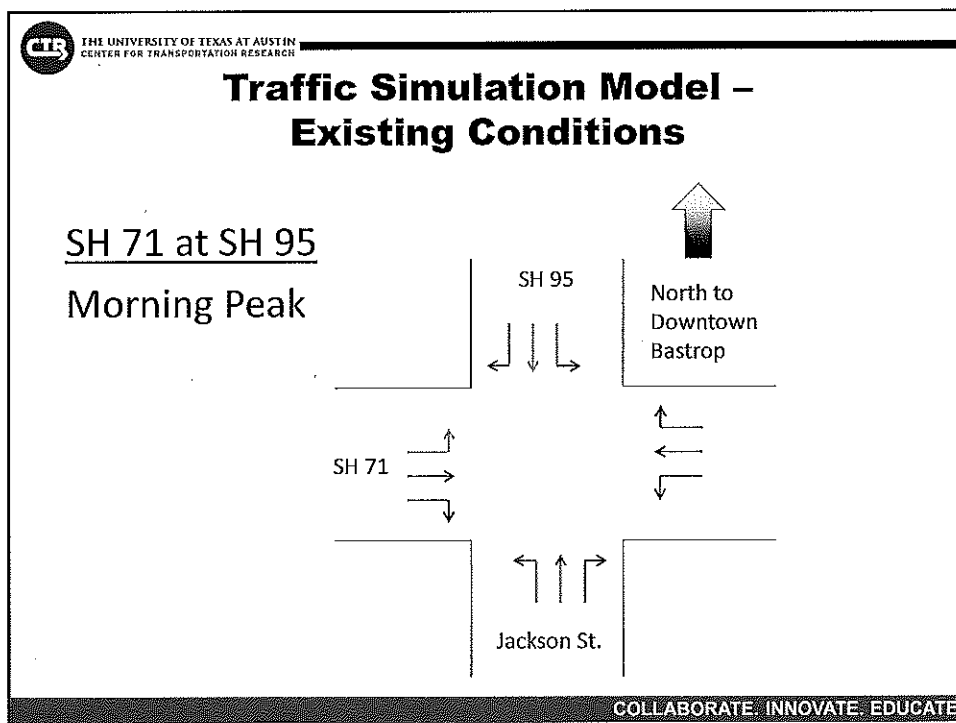
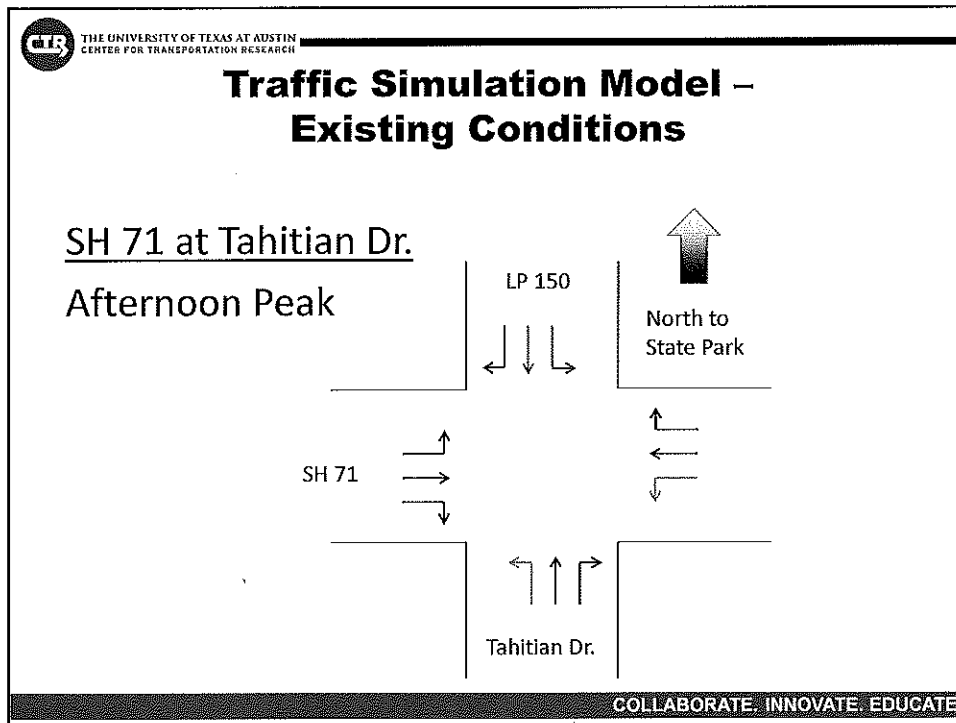
Control Delay (seconds per vehicle)	LOS
0-10	A
>10-20	B
>20-35	C
>35-55	D
>55-80	E
>80	F

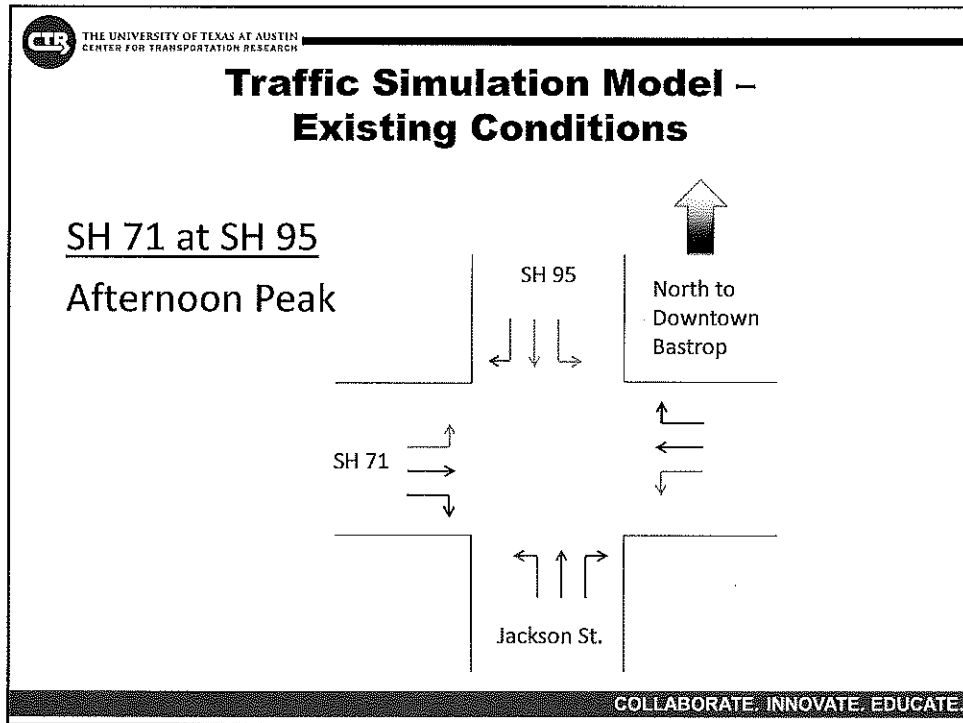
Traffic signals are evaluated for morning and afternoon rush hours based on traffic counts and signal timing plans.

Signals can be "optimized" to improve timings, reallocate green time based on conditions.

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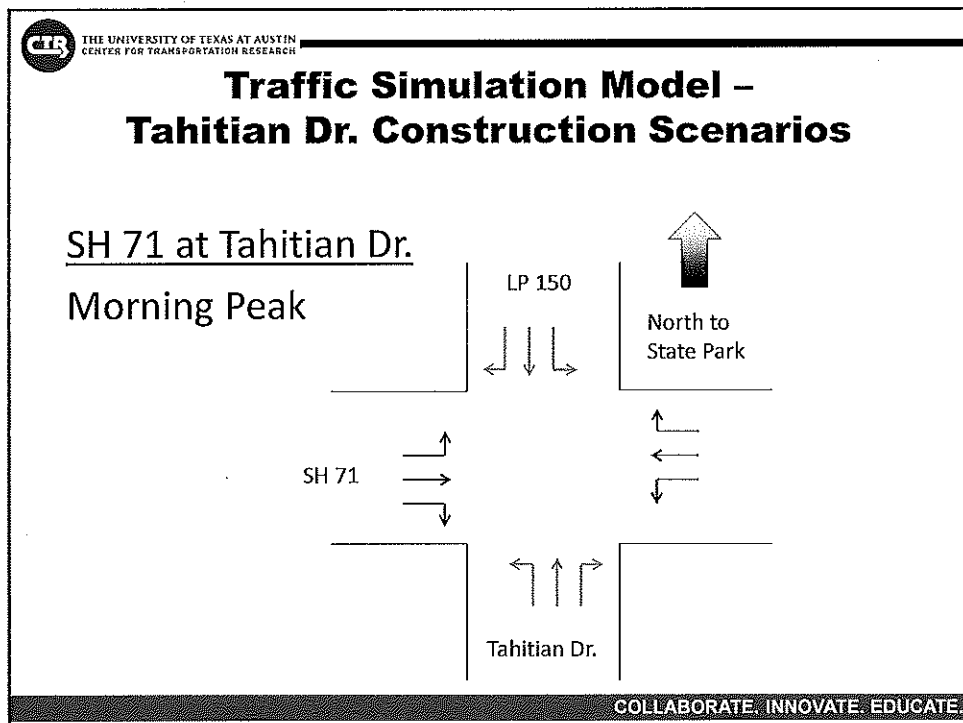
Future Build-out Improved Conditions

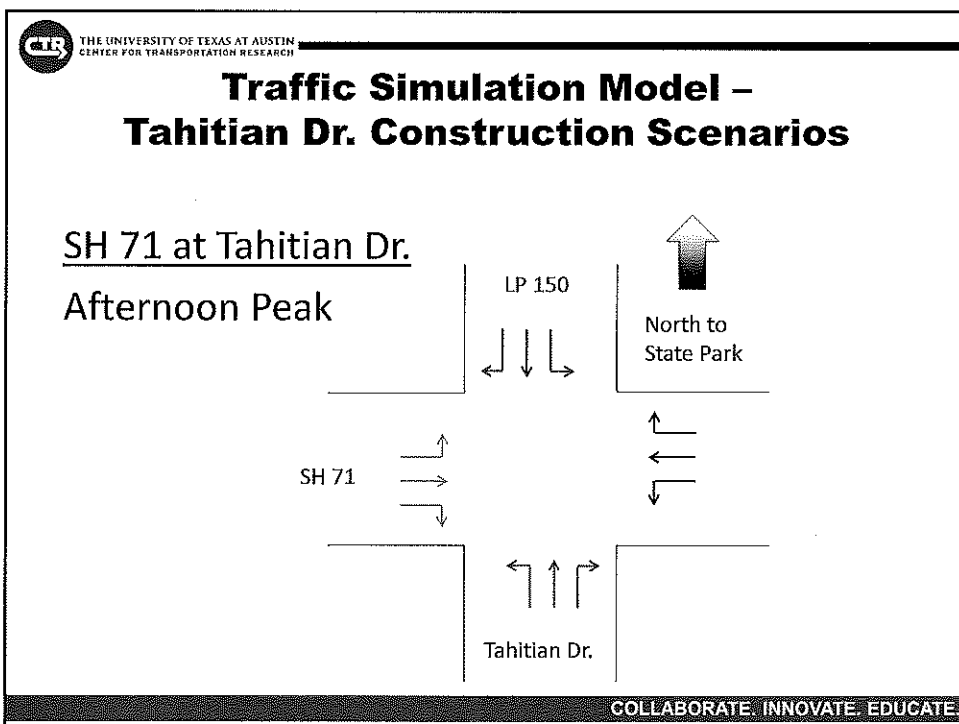
Intersection	Morning		Afternoon	
	Existing	Future	Existing	Future
SH 71 Westbound Frontage Road at SH 95	F	A	F	A
SH 71 Eastbound Frontage Road at SH 95		B		B
SH 71 Westbound Frontage Road at Tahitian Dr.	D	A	D	B
SH 71 Eastbound Frontage Road at Tahitian Dr.		B		A
SH 95 at Chestnut Street	C	C	E	C

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Tahitian Dr. Frontage Road Construction Signal Improvements			
Peak Period	Signal Timing Plan	Level of Service	Delay (sec)
Morning	Existing	D/E	59
	Optimized	D	46
Afternoon	Existing	F	113*
	Optimized	E/F	83*

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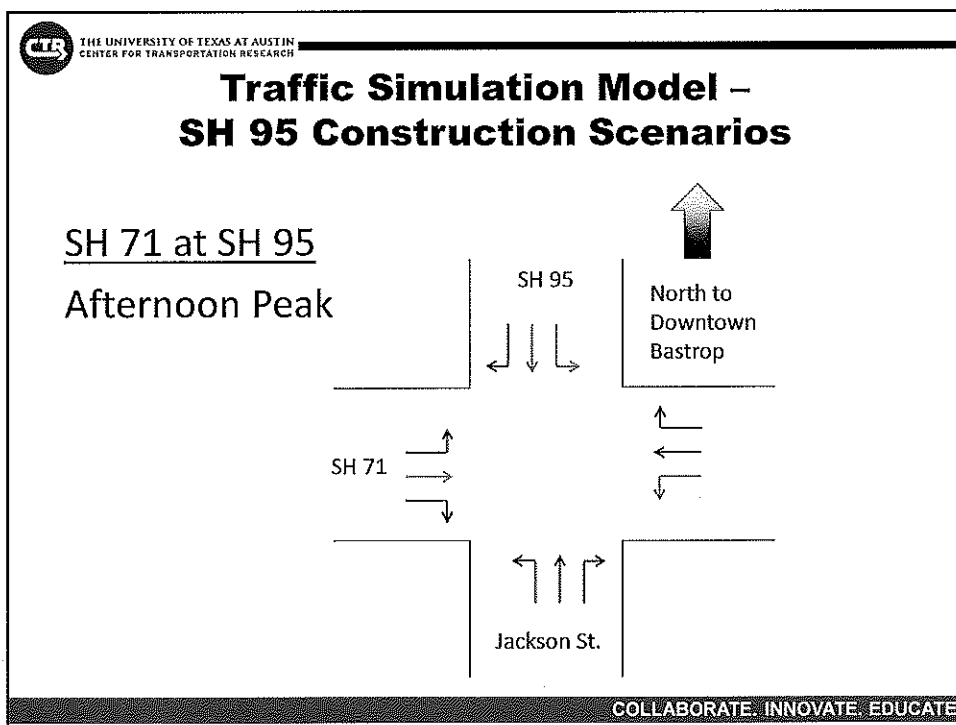
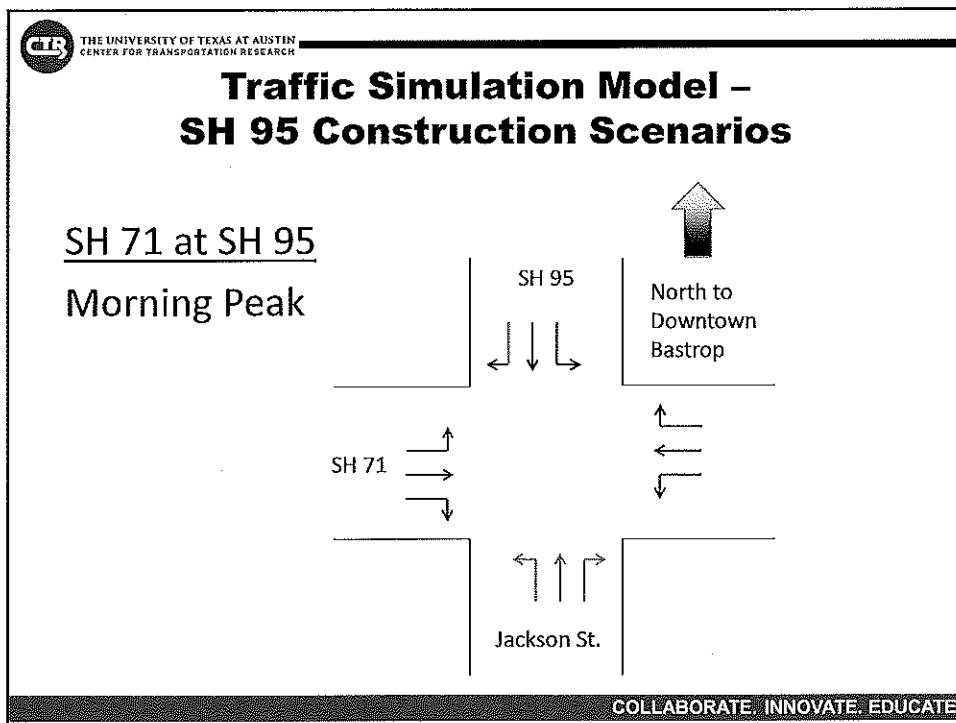


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SH 95 Frontage Road Construction Signal Improvements

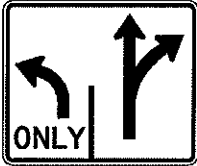
Peak Period	Signal Timing Plan			
Morning	Existing	205		
	Optimized	128		
Afternoon	Existing	126		
	Optimized	97		

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Existing SB Approach Configuration

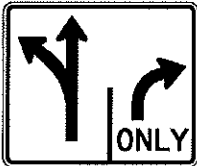




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Exclusive SB Right-turn Lane

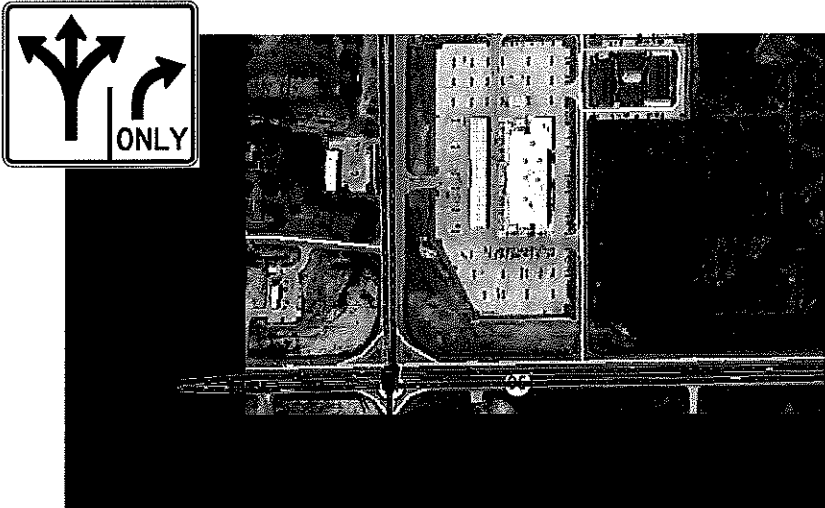




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Exclusive RT Lane and Shared Lane



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Intersection Model Findings

- Construction will cause delay; improved with optimization
- Problems with queueing at SH 95; reconfiguration needed
- Signal optimization can help SH 95 and Chestnut Street
- Turning volumes at SH 95 intersection are problematic

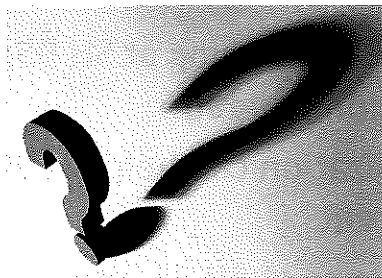
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Recommendations

- Collect data to assess weekend conditions
- Facilitate southbound right-turn at SH 95
- Optimize signals during construction
- Monitor conditions during construction
- Optimize signal at SH 95 and Chestnut Street

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Questions



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