

CITY OF KEENE, TEXAS

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-333

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEENE, TEXAS, EXPRESSING DISSATISFACTION REGARDING THE CONSTRUCTION STATUS OF HIGHWAY 67, AND REQUESTING THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO USE ALL AVAILABLE MEANS TO REQUIRE THE COMPLETION OF THE HIGHWAY 67 ROAD WORK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

WHEREAS, Lone Star Civil Construction, Inc. ("Lone Star"), the contractor selected by the Texas Department of Transportation ("TxDOT") for the widening of Highway 67 to a 4-lane divided highway (the "Project"), was given notice to proceed on December 17, 2013, with a mandated contractual completion date of April 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Resolution, Lone Star has not completed its work on the Project and continues to work on the Project; and

WHEREAS, TxDOT has imposed liquidated damages on Lone Star for not completing the Project within the contractually-mandated deadline, but has taken no other actions to ensure the expedited completion of the Project; and

WHEREAS, with Highway 67 under construction, vehicle accidents have occurred and will continue to occur in the areas of construction due to the unsafe roadway conditions caused by the construction of Highway 67; and

WHEREAS, the City of Keene, Texas ("Keene"), and its residents are frustrated with TxDOT and its contractor regarding the unexcused delays in the completion of the Project and TxDOT's apparent low prioritization of completing the Project and returning Highway 67 to a safe condition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEENE, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. The above recitals set forth above are found to be true and correct and are incorporated into the body of this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.


Section 2. The Keene City Council hereby expresses its dissatisfaction with TxDOT's contract management of the Project and encourages TxDOT to use all available contractual remedies to require Lone Star to complete the Project as soon as possible.

Section 3. The Keene City Council encourages TxDOT to make the completion of the Project a top priority in order to promote the public safety and welfare of those driving upon the construction-laden road.


Section 4. Given the public interest in this matter, the Keene City Council requests that TxDOT and Lone Star immediately hold a public town hall style meeting in Keene to give interested persons a forum to be heard and to allow for a meaningful conversation regarding the status of the Project and the resolution of the residents' complaints.

Section 5. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption. City staff is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Texas State Senator Brian Birdwell (District 22) and Texas State Representative DeWayne Burns (District 58), and to any other individuals or entities whom City staff determines may be instrumental in addressing this profound concern for the residents of Keene.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Keene, Texas, on this 17th day of August, 2017.


James Chapline, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: 
Brian LaBorde, City Manager

Project Tracker

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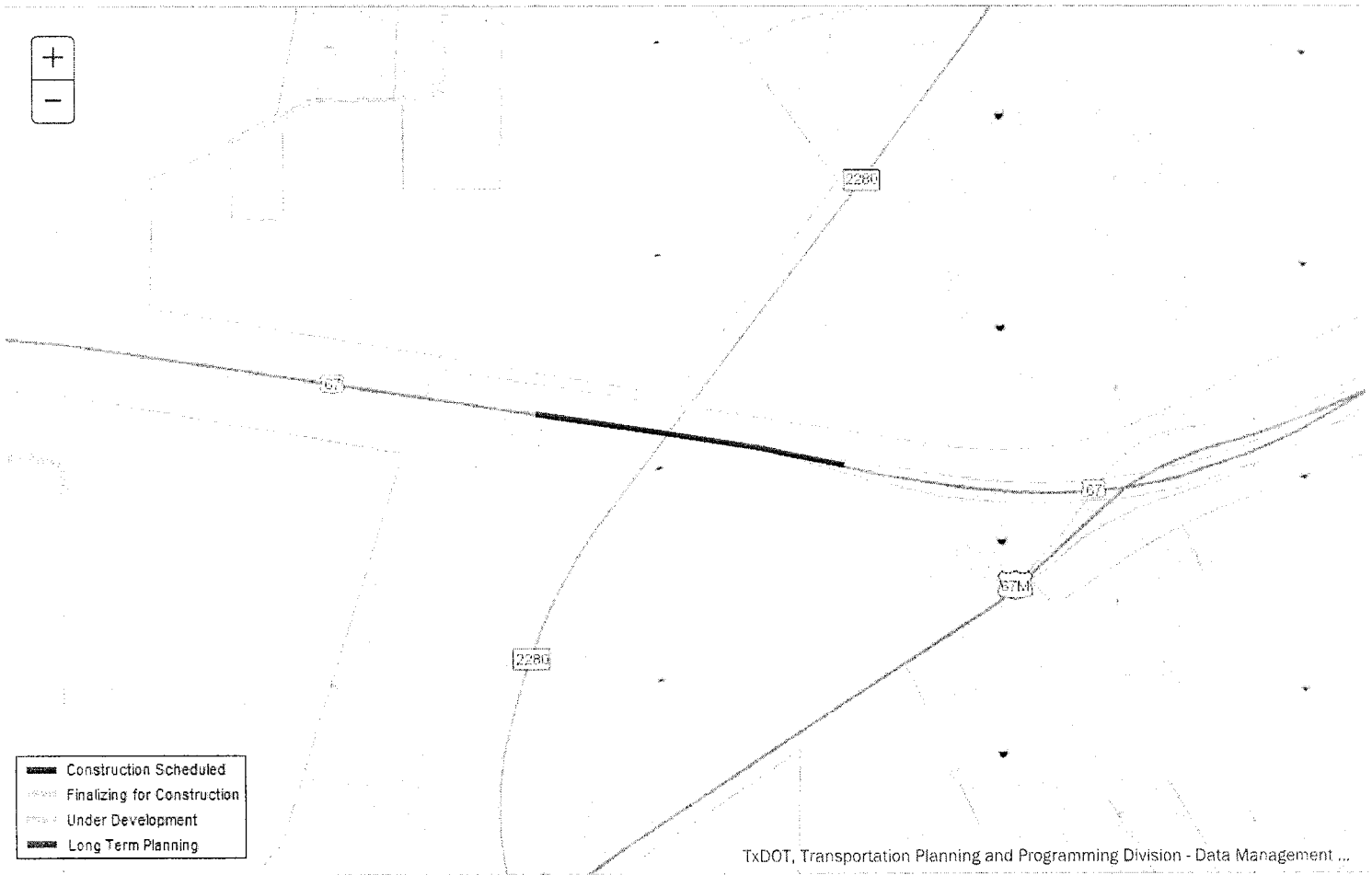
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Highway	Status	Project ID	District	County	From Link	To Link	Description	Construction Cost/Estimate	Type
US 67	Construction Scheduled	025906001	Fort Worth	Johnson	PPROX. SH 174	0.72 MI WEST OF SPUR 102	Widen To 4 Lane Divided	\$28,488,426	NA

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Project Summary v

Project Summary		Last Updated: 8/28/2017	
Project ID	025906001	District	Fort Worth

Highway	US 67	Project Length	3.86 Miles
From Limit	PPROX. SH 174	County	Johnson
To Limit	0.72 MI WEST OF SPUR 102	Bid Received Date	9/1/2013
Description	Widen To 4 Lane Divided	Project Class	WF
Project Note	TxDOT Design	Strategic Score	0.00
		Total Score	0

Contact Information

Contact Information		Last Updated: 8/28/2017	
TxDOT Contact Name	Randy Bowers, P.E.	Phone	(817)202-2900
Construction Company	LONE STAR CIVIL CONSTRUCTION, INC.		

Project Construction

Project Construction		Last Updated: 8/28/2017	
Notice to Proceed Date	12/16/2013	Percent Time Used	120.14%
Work Begin Date	4/30/2014	Percent Budget Used	86.32%
Estimated Completion Date	10/31/2017		

Project Milestones

Programmed Funding

Programmed Funding		Last Updated: 8/28/2017	
	Program Identifier	Amount	
	Category 12 - Strategic Priority (1412)	\$30,000,000	

Financial Information

Financial Information		Last Updated: 8/28/2017	
		Amount Paid to Date	
Project Engineering		\$1,914,520	
Construction		\$25,860,020	
Construction Engineering		\$1,117,079	
Total		\$28,891,619	