

City Council Work Session Handouts

July 22, 2013

- I. Review and Discuss Zoning File 13-12
- II. Review and Discuss Canyon Creek Bridge Enhancement Project
- III. Review and Discuss Sign Control Board Minutes from July 10, 2013 Meeting and Final Approval of SCB Case 13-07
- IV. Review and Discuss a Recap of the State Farm Groundbreaking
- V. Review and Discuss a Recap of the 2013 Texas Legislative Session

City Council Worksession



July 22, 2013

Meeting Begins at 6:00 P.M.

Proposed CZO Amendment

- Article I. Section 2. *Definitions* - to establish a definition of “large scale retail store”
- Article XXII-A. *Special Permits* – to require a Special Permit for “large-scale retail store” in Local Retail & Commercial districts i.e., LR-M (1), LR-M (2) and C-M

Why amend the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance?

- Zoning districts that allow retail uses, i.e., LR-M (1), LR-M (2) and C-M, do so broadly and without distinctions based on size or scale.
- Large scale retail uses potentially introduce greater impacts (e.g., traffic, building mass, parking, etc.) to surrounding neighborhoods than do smaller-scale, neighborhood-serving retail uses
- The Special Permit provides for:
 - case-by-case, location-specific review
 - comprehensive evaluation of potential concerns or impacts
 - public hearing process

Proposed CZO Amendment – Definition

- A building or portion of a building at least 70,000 square feet in area used for the retail sale of goods or merchandise to the general public
- May be a stand-alone building or an in-line space that is part of a larger retail center or commercial development
- Includes any accessory uses

Proposed CZO Amendment – Regulations

- Special Permit required in Local Retail (LR-M (1), LR-M (2) and C-M zoning districts
- Prohibited in all other zoning districts
- Would apply to new stores and existing stores 70,000 square feet in area or larger
- Creates eight (8) non-conforming uses
 - May continue to operate “as is” – no expansion
 - 6-month vacancy forfeits non-conforming status

Proposed CZO Amendment

- Ordinance No. 4013
- City Plan Commission recommendation

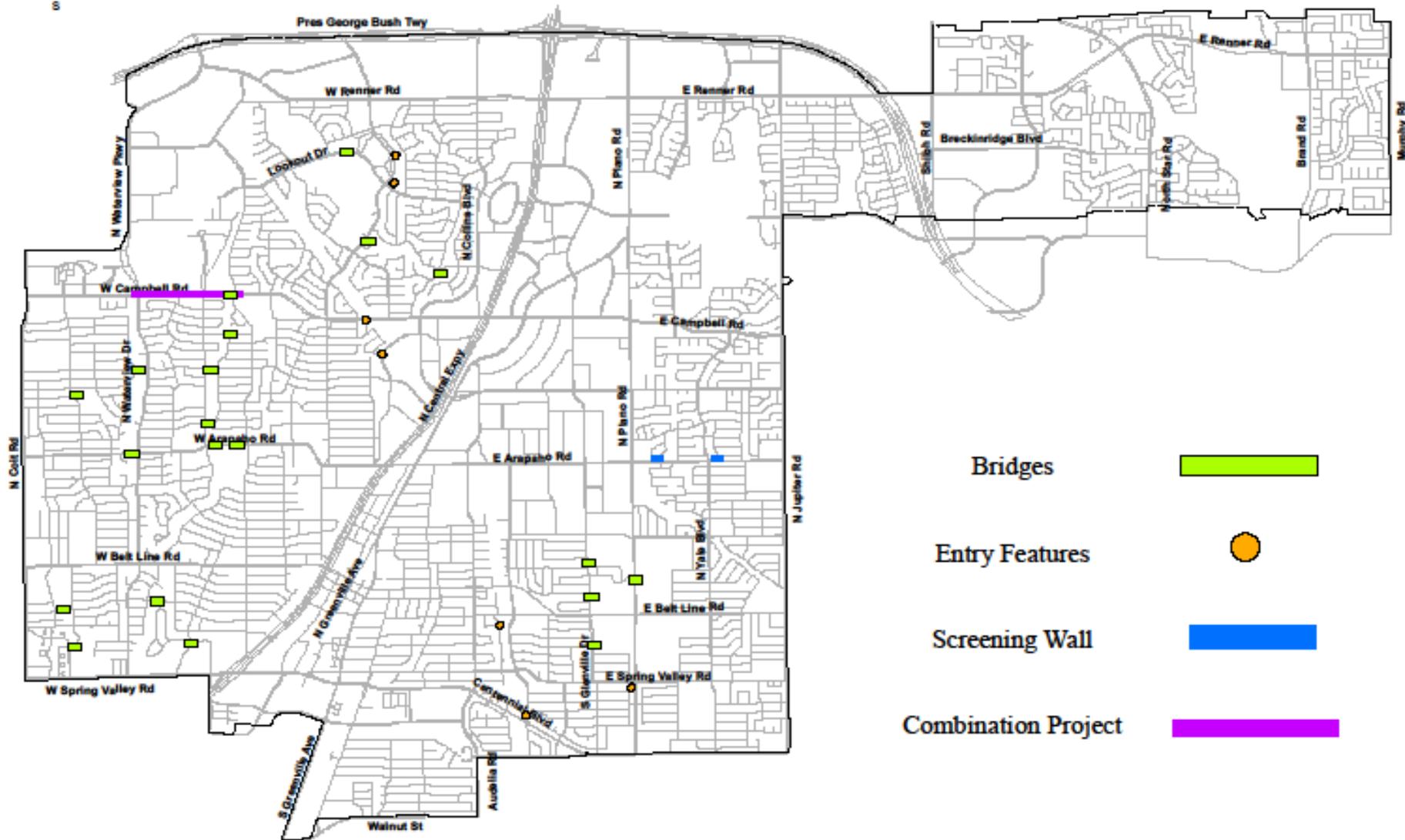
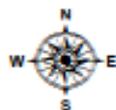
CANYON CREEK BRIDGE ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS

City Council:
July 22, 2013

2010 NEIGHBORHOOD VITALITY PROGRAM

- The 2010 Bond Program allocated \$2,000,000 for Neighborhood Vitality Program projects
- In addition, \$1,000,000 of savings and interest earnings from the 2006 Neighborhood Vitality Program was made available
- Project selection was based on a Calls for Projects in the Fall of 2010 in which 25 neighborhoods submitted more than \$10.7 million in requests
- On January 24, 2011, City Council passed Resolution 11-01 finalizing the project selection process

Neighborhood Vitality Program: 2010



Bridges



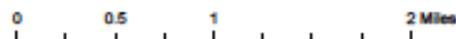
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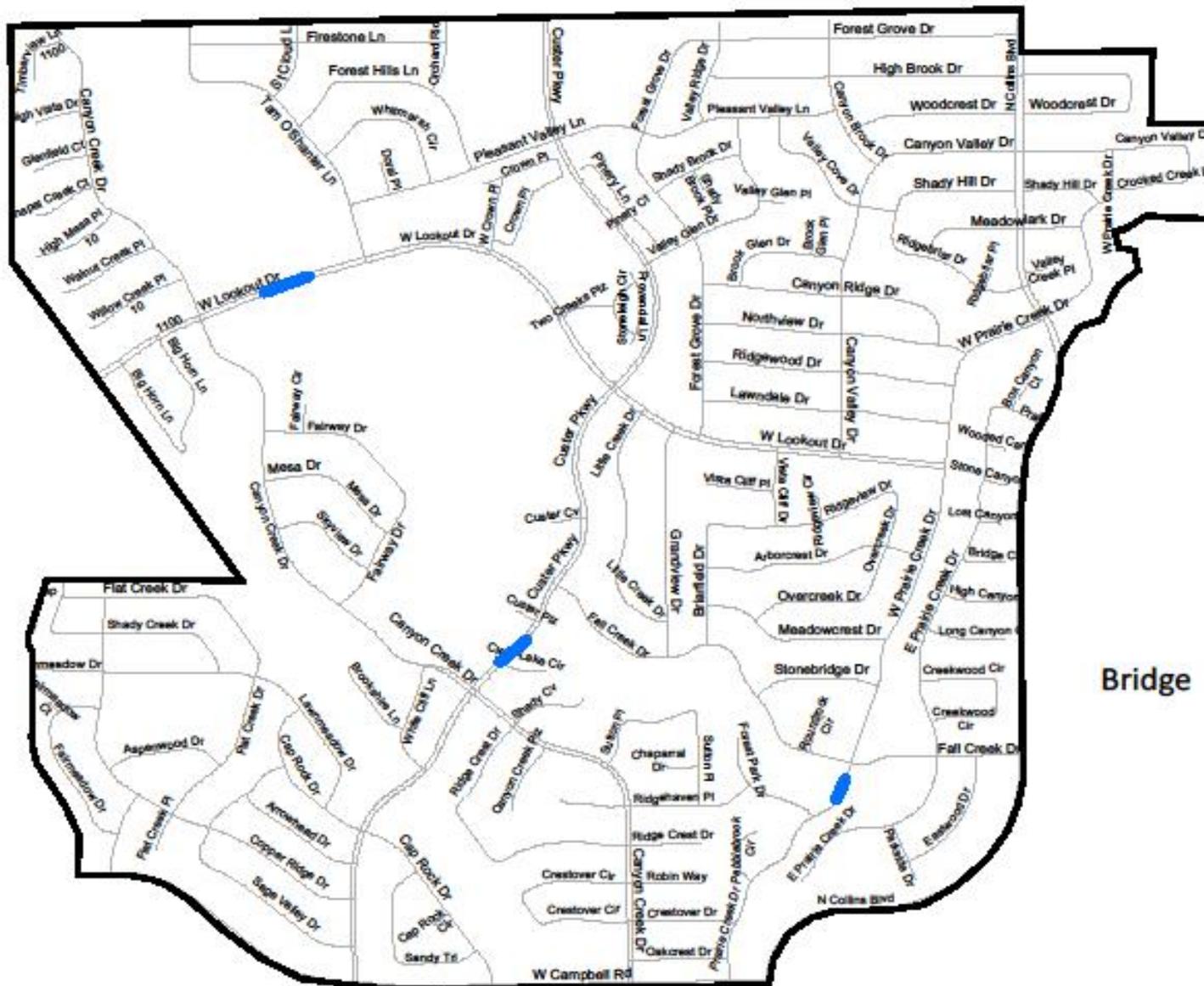
Screening Wall



Combination Project



Neighborhood Vitality Program: 2010 - Canyon Creek

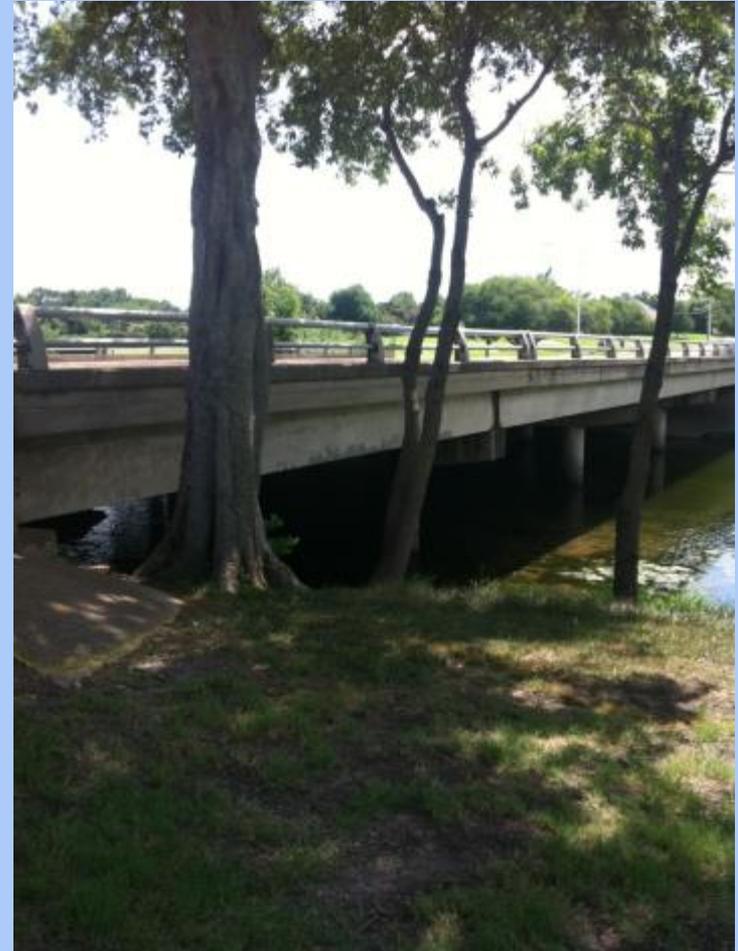


Bridge 



0 0.125 0.25 0.5 Miles

LOOKOUT DRIVE EXISTING



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CUSTER PARKWAY



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W. PRAIRIE CREEK DRIVE



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STATUS OF OTHER PROJECTS

| Neighborhood | Project Scope | Status |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Duck Creek | Bridge | Complete |
| North College Park | Bridge | Complete |
| Mark Twain | 2 Bridges | Under Construction |
| Cottonwood Heights | 4 bridges | Under Construction |
| Canyon Creek | 3 bridges | Bid Process |
| College Park | End cap enhancements | Construction Document Development |
| Town North Park | Entry feature | Construction Document Development |
| Woodhaven Townhomes | Entry feature | Construction Document Development |
| Canyon Creek Ridge | Entry feature | Construction Document Development |
| The Pinery | Entry feature | Construction Document Development |
| Estates of Prairie Creek | Entry feature | Construction Document Development |
| Yale Park | Leave out screening wall | Construction Document Development |
| The Reservation | 2 bridges | Finalizing Concept |
| Arapaho | Bridges | Finalizing Concept |
| Greenwood Hills/JJ Pearce | Leave out screening wall; 5 bridges | Hydraulics Study Underway |

CANYON CREEK BRIDGE ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS NEXT STEPS

- **July 22, 2013 – City Council authorization to advertise**
- **August 8, 2013 – Bids received and opened**
- **August 26, 2013 – City Council awards**
- **September 2013 – Pre-construction meeting / Construction commences**
- **January 2014 – Construction completed**

CANYON CREEK BRIDGE ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS

SCB Case # 13-07
Steiner Esthetics
1055 S. Sherman Street

SCB #13-07

S. Sherman



Proposed Sign

Proposed Sign

Zoning 250' from proposed signs:
Industrial



Applicable Ordinance

Chapter 18, Article III, Section 18-96

(2.) Attached Sign;

(c.) Number:

(2.) Office, Technical Office, Industrial zoning districts

(i.) **Buildings with single street frontage: Two attached signs.**

Requested Variance

- ❖ Allow for two additional 65.26 sq.ft. attached signs in addition to the two existing attached signs.

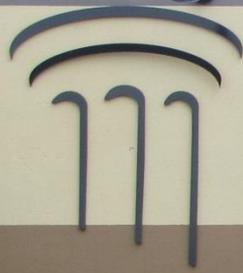
Reason for request

- ❖ Proper building identification is needed for people visiting the campus.

Northbound View



Existing Sign



TEXAS CENTER *for*
MASSAGE THERAPY



Southbound View

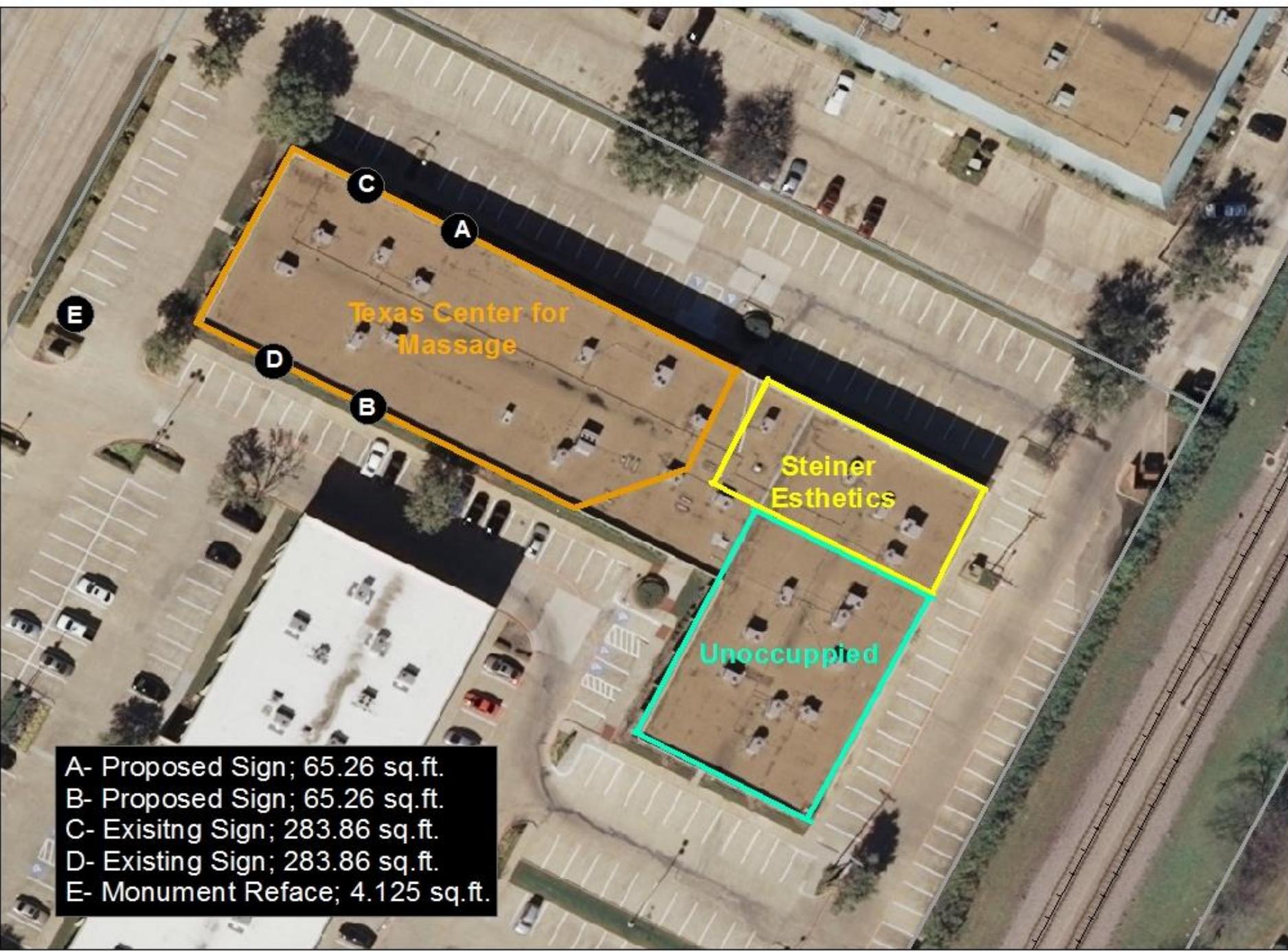


Existing Sign



TEXAS CENTER *for*
MASSAGE THERAPY





Texas Center for
Massage

Steiner
Esthetics

Unoccupied

- A- Proposed Sign; 65.26 sq.ft.
- B- Proposed Sign; 65.26 sq.ft.
- C- Existing Sign; 283.86 sq.ft.
- D- Existing Sign; 283.86 sq.ft.
- E- Monument Reface; 4.125 sq.ft.

Proposed Sign – North Elevation



A BUILDING ELEVATION SCALE: 3/16"=1'

Proposed Sign – North Elevation



BUILDING ELEVATION

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'

Sign Control Board Action

- ❑ The Sign Control Board voted unanimously to approve SCB Case 13-07.

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Steiner Esthetics
1055 S. Sherman Street



Ground Breaking July 11, 2013







Remarks from Steve Van Amburgh, KDC and Mary Crego, State Farm

The story was viewed on TV an estimated
533,809 times.
That's a media value of \$76,104!



Headlines

NEWS

Like a huge neighbor ...

Groundbreaking in Texas key part of State Farm expansion

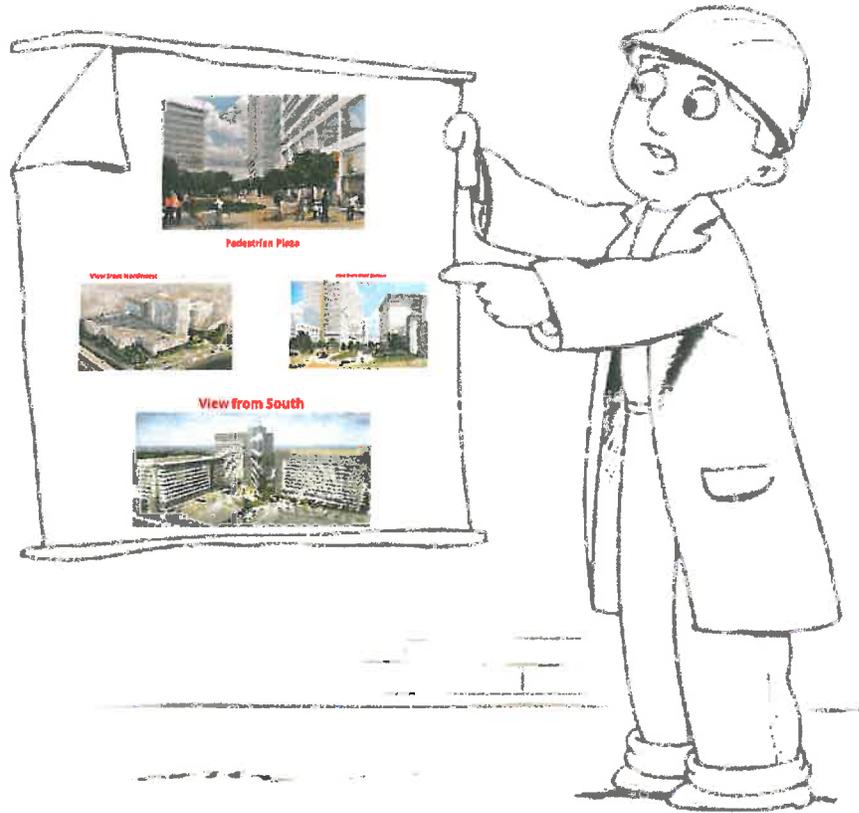
New Richardson State Farm offices will have room for thousands

State Farm will anchor major new mixed-use transit development in the works for Richardson

State Farm's Richardson expansion helps rebuild insurance job market

New State Farm complex in Richardson will allow company to grow to 8,000 Dallas-area workers

The Dallas Morning News, Central Illinois News Now, Biz Beat Blog, Pantagraph.com



View from South



View from DART Station



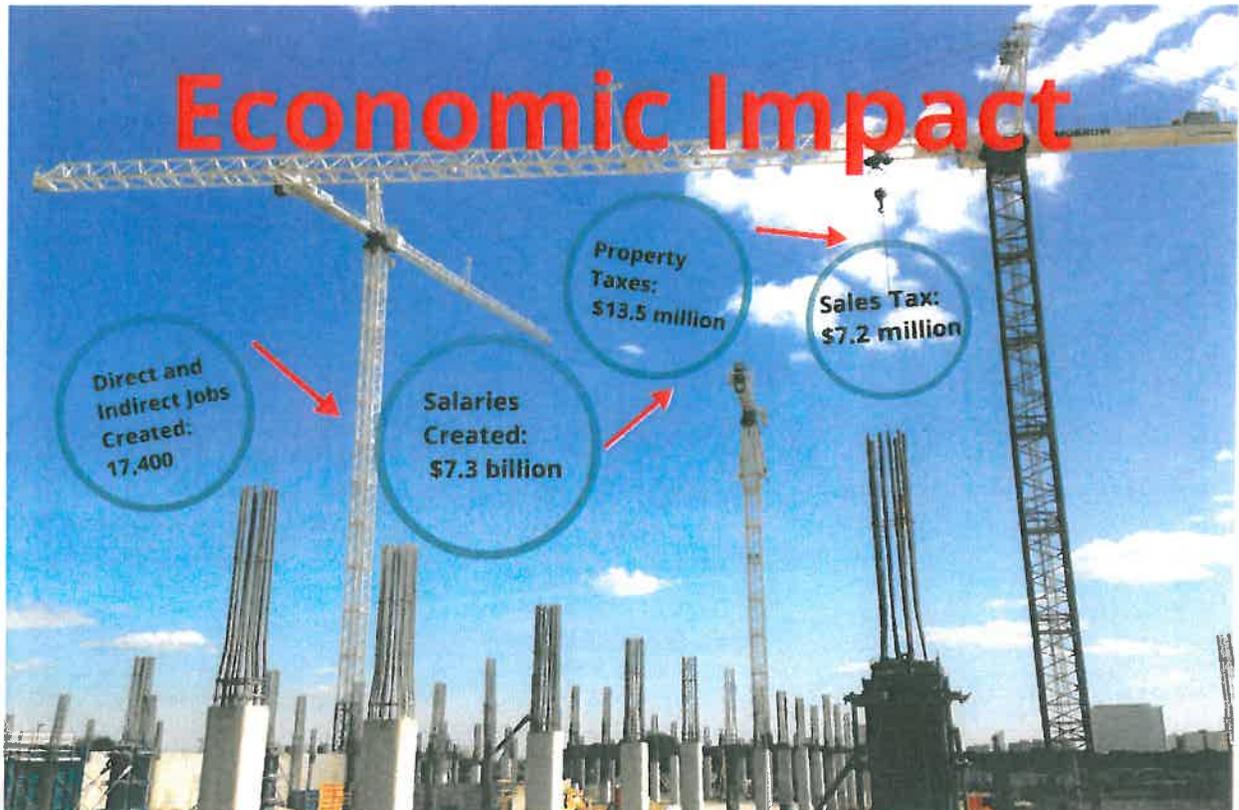
Pedestrian Plaza

View from Northwest

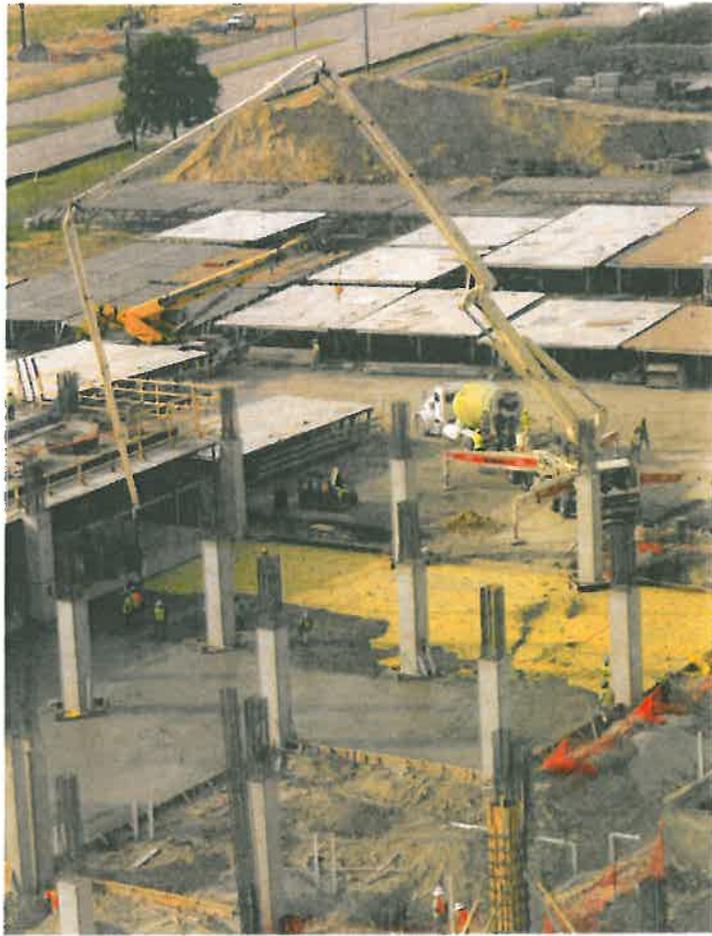
(DART Station / Turnpike)



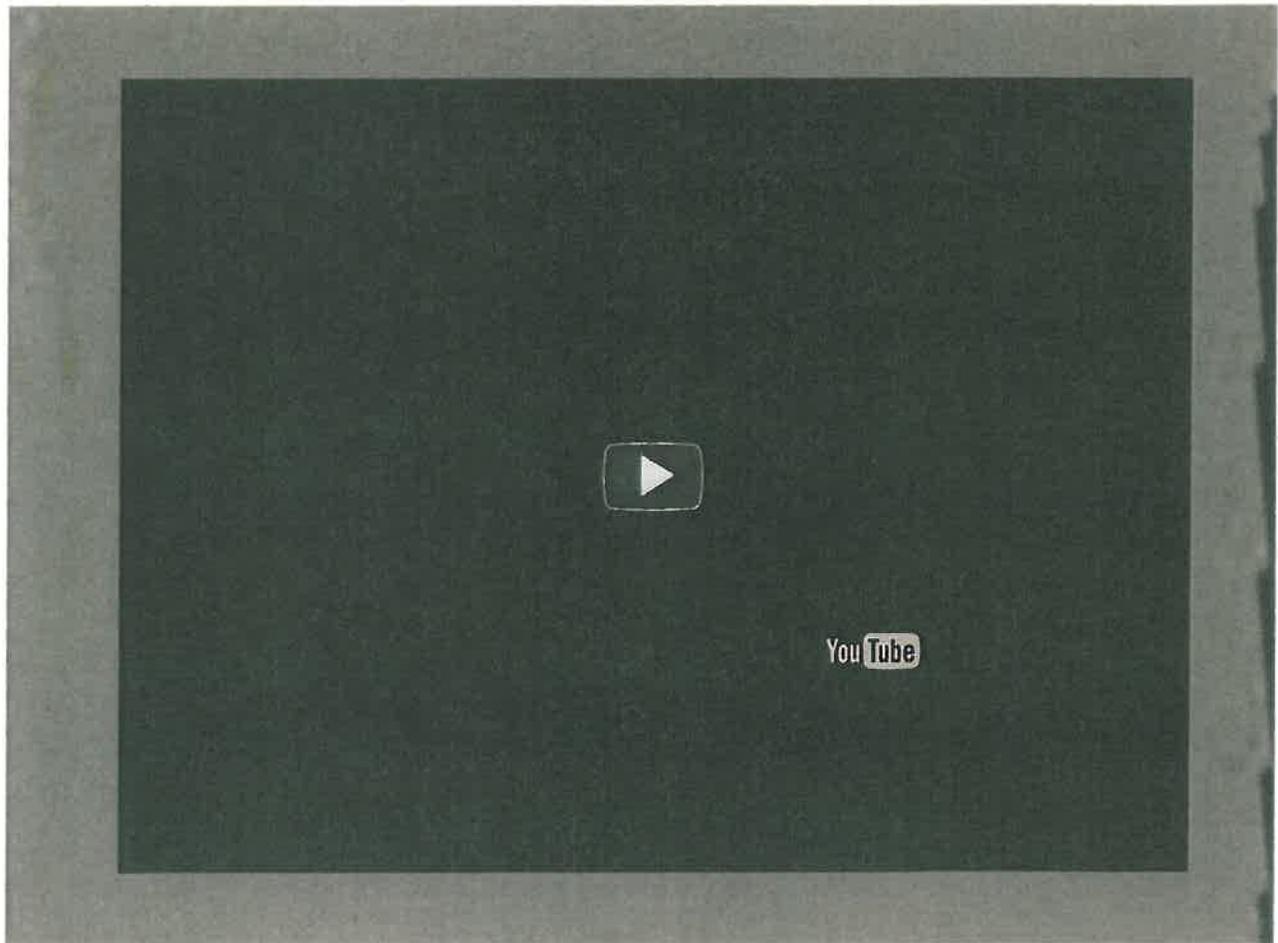
Economic Impact











City of Richardson Legislative Summary
 2013 Texas Legislative Session
 83rd Legislature

Summary:

- The 2013 Legislative Session was relatively civil with only a handful of bills garnering significant disagreement.
- Over 1,700 city-related bills filed with over 220 of those bills signed by Governor Perry.
- The 2/3 rule was never suspended.
- Governor Perry vetoed 26 bills that passed through the Legislature and Special Session ended on June 25th.
- Currently in second Special Session.

2013 Regular Session Bill Statistics:

- 3,950 House Bills Introduced*
- 1,918 Senate Bills Introduced*
- 732 House Bills Passed Legislature*
- 705 Senate Bills Passed Legislature*

| Type | Signed | Vetoed | Filed w/o Signature |
|---------------|--------|--------|---------------------|
| HB | 710 | 15 | 7 |
| SB | 687 | 11 | 7 |
| HJR | 6 | | |
| SJR | 4 | | |
| Totals | 1407 | 26 | 14 |

**Texas Legislature Online, Legislative Statistics as of 6/16/2013*

2013 City of Richardson Legislative Agenda Related Passed Bills:

Parks:

- SB 1 – Filed by Senator Williams. Allows the use of a surplus of at least \$15 million with the Comptroller to be distributed to the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department to provide park grants to local municipalities and counties.

Library:

- SB 1 – Filed by Senator Williams. Allocates \$12.65 million (\$9.25 million for Shared Digital Content and \$3.4 million for Innovation Partnership Grants) to the State Library which will increase municipal Library programs and close the gap by less than half from the Library funding reduction from the last session.

Public Safety:

- SB 1 – Filed by Senator Williams. Authorizes distribution of LEOSE funds in final conference report.

Water:

- HB 4 – Filed by Representative Ritter. Allows for the creation and funding of the state water implementation fund to assist the Texas Water Development Board in the funding of certain water-related projects.
 - SJR 1 – Filed by Senator Williams. Establishes a special revolving fund in the state treasury called the state water implementation fund to be used only to fund water infrastructure projects included in the State Water Plan. Placed on the November 2013 ballot.
 - HB 1025 – Filed by Representative Pitts. Allocates \$2 B from the Economic Stabilization Fund to the Texas Water Development Board to finance projects in the State Water Plan.

Other City Related Impactful Bills Signed by Governor Perry:

Property Tax:

- HB 97 – Filed by Representative Perry. Allows for a disabled veteran to receive a property tax exemption if their home was donated by a charitable organization.
- HB 561 – Filed by Representative Workman. Provides that no additional property tax is imposed on land owned by an organization that qualifies as a school if the organization converts the land to a use for which the land is eligible for a property tax exemption.
- HB 1913 – Filed by Representative Bohac. Allows a City Council to waive penalties and interest on a delinquent tax if:
 - Taxes are paid by owner or another person liable for the taxes no later than 181 days after notification of a delinquent tax payment.
 - Property is not considered "real" property in the appraisal records.
 - Sufficient evidence of payment before the delinquency date.

- HJR 62 – Filed by Representative Turner. Allows for a property tax exemption to a surviving spouse of a member of the US armed forces who is killed in action if the surviving spouse has not remarried since the death of the member of the US armed forces. Placed on November 2013 election ballot.
- SB 1510 – Filed by Representative Hinojosa. Simplifies the posting notice for property tax rate changes and will mostly allow more flexibility for smaller cities. Will not affect upcoming tax rate approvals.

Sales Tax:

- HB 78 – Filed by Representative Simpson. Would exempt from sales taxes the sale of any gold, silver, or numismatic coins, or platinum, gold, or silver bullion.
- HB 697 – Filed by Representative Springer. Exempts food products, meals, soft drinks, and candy from sales and use taxes if they are served or sold at an event sponsored or sanctioned by an elementary or secondary school or a school district at a concession stand operated by a booster club or other school support organization, but only if the proceeds benefit the school or school district.
- HB 800 – Filed by Representative Murphy. Would allow for sales, use and franchise tax credit for research & development activities promoting an expansion of innovation and learning.
- HB 3572 – Filed by Representative Hilderbran. Lowers the city shared rate of 14% on gross receipts for mixed beverage sales to 6.7%. Imposes an 8.25% tax on the sales price of each mixed beverage sold and requires the Comptroller to issue a city at least 10.7143% of tax revenue generated each quarter for the sale of mixed beverages. Ultimately, revenue neutral for cities.
- SB 1151 – Filed by Representative Hinojosa. Exempts snack items from sales and use taxes unless they are purchased through a vending machine or in individualized portions.

Elections:

- HB 1129 – Filed by Representative White. Allows the Secretary of State to implement a pilot program allowing active duty US armed forces members who are eligible for hostile fire pay to cast an early voting ballot by email until September 1, 2015.

Finance & Administration:

- SB 637 – Filed by Senator Paxton. Requires adding language to the document ordering a bond election and requirements for posting the document ordering a bond election. Earliest effective date is 9/1/13.

- SB 656 – Filed by Senator Paxton. Requires additional language and procedures in relation to city budget and tax rate adoption. Earliest effective date is 9/1/13.

Open Government:

- HB 2414 – Filed by Representative Button. Would allow videoconferencing for public meetings as long as the Presiding Officer is at a physical location where members of the public may attend and participate in the meeting. Each member of the governing body who is participating by videoconference call must be clearly visible and audible to each participant in the meeting.

Community and Economic Development:

- HB 674 – Filed by Representative Ratliff. Requires a rezoning notice for residential or multi-family affecting property within a school district to be sent to the school board.

Public Safety:

- HB 912 – Filed by Representative Gooden. Allows the use of drones for law enforcement activity related to:
 - Immediate pursuit of a person law enforcement officers have reasonable suspicion or probable cause to suspect has committed an offense, not including misdemeanors or offenses punishable by a fine only.
 - For the purpose of documenting a crime scene where an offense, not including misdemeanors or offenses punishable by a fine only, has been committed.
 - For the purpose of investigating the scene of a human fatality, a motor vehicle accident causing death or serious bodily injury to a person, or any motor vehicle accident on a state highway or federal interstate or highway.
 - In connection with the search for a missing person.
 - For the purpose of conducting a high-risk tactical operation that poses a threat to human life.
 - Private property that is generally open to the public where the property owner consents to law enforcement public safety responsibilities.
- HB 970 – Filed by Representative Rodriguez. Provides that a city cannot restrict the sale of cottage food products and additional items were added to the list of cottage foods.
- HB 1382 – Filed by Representative Simpson. Provides that a city cannot regulate food samples given at Farmers' Markets.

Utilities and Environment:

- SB 186 – Filed by Senator Carona. Allows a city, county or local health authority to abate, without notice, certain collections of water in which mosquitoes are breeding. Earliest effective date is 5/10/13.

Special Session Update:

- Second Special Session called to convene on July 1st.
- Continue to track and support/oppose legislation.
- Senate suspended rules to pass HJR 2.
- Senate and House scheduled to convene July 25th at 2:00 pm.

Special Session Tracked Legislation:

Transportation:

- HJR 1 filed by Representative Phillips. Would amend the Texas Constitution to allow the transfer of certain general revenue to the state highway fund and the economic stabilization fund and to authorize the payment for principal and interest on certain highway improvement bonds. Companion Senate Bill in SJR 1. Pending House Appropriations decision.
- HJR 2 filed by Representative Pickett. Would amend the Texas Constitution to provide revenue from motor fuel taxes to be used solely for constructing, maintaining, and acquiring rights-of-way for certain public roadways and to provide for the transfer of certain general revenue to the available school fund and Economic Stabilization Fund. Passed the Senate with the amendment requiring a \$6 B Economic Stabilization Fund minimum before any transfers take place. Will return to the House for approval with the Senate amendment.
- HB 16 filed by Representative Pickett. Would end the diversion of gas tax revenues currently funding the school fund and require those funds to be used mainly for transportation funding. Passed the House and has been referred to the Senate Finance Committee.