

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010- 21 R**

**A resolution amending the January 5, 2010 City Council minutes; and declaring an effective date.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, TEXAS.

1.

The January 5, 2010 City Council minutes are hereby amended to add the following:

Randy Bena, Victoria Area Engineer, Texas Department of Transportation responded to a question ask by a member of Council regarding which option he thought was the most resolvable. The options discussed were 1) building a driveway off Nueces Street, 2) removing the U-turn sign, or 3) cutting the median.

Mr. Bena commented that he would have to answer that question as an engineer or as a citizen of Victoria, not from TxDOT. I cannot give you a TxDOT opinion on that, but I do have an opinion from my experience. What Mr. Short said about the cut in the median not being a good idea, he agreed with that it is not a good idea, because a cut in that median is more or less senseless without taking out the back end of the median too; take it out all the way to Nueces. That option to him was the best option that we have got here.

From TxDOT's standpoint, there concern is that the driveway on Rio Grande, it is not really obvious that it is an exit only, the way things are set up there, and you have the drive through and people coming out of the drive through come out of that driveway. He has seen plenty of cars come up there and want to turn right in there and some of them make it, some of them come up and hesitate because a car is coming out, there is conflict because someone just slammed on their breaks. We have seen that happen already. TxDOT's concern is mainly that the driveway on Rio Grande does not become an entrance driveway. That would not even be considered as an option by TxDOT.

As far as any options to get to this location, if the driveway could not be constructed back on Nueces, then in his opinion cutting off that median even with that driveway, and taking it out to Nueces would be the best option. As Mr. Schmidt said a cut in the median would not work, you would have conflicts with people trying to get in and out through a little ole cut, and the rest of the median would be senseless.

He somewhat agreed with the U-turn situation, because it is not very wide there to make U-turns, but you could simply cut that median off even with the driveway and still put your U-turn sign there for the rest of the people. You don't want drivers to go through the intersection, they really wanted to go down Rio Grande and turn a U-turn and get to Rio Grande. You do not want them doing that.

Mr. Bena stated that presented with just these options, if number one is not a valid possibility or easy enough to do, or too restrictive on the land owner for cost, or he cannot work the deal (putting in a driveway off Nueces) then the best option would be to cut the median off. That would still be putting in the no U-turn sign.

2.

This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED, this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2010.

AYES: 7

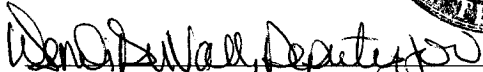
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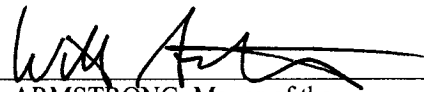
APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day February, 2010.



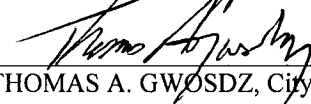
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