

12D. OLD SIXTH WARD/TIRZ 13 MOBILITY PLAN, PHASE II

BACKGROUND

Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) established a partnership with Old Sixth Ward Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) 13 to conduct the Phase II Mobility Plan. The Plan expanded upon the Phase I Mobility Plan previously conducted by TIRZ 13. The purpose of the 12-month long plan was to comprehensively integrate a variety of programmatic and area-wide planning approaches that intersect the area. Specific recommendations considered previous planning efforts done within the area, including, but not limited to, City of Houston Bicycle Plan; METRO's Long-Range Transit Plan, METRONext; Washington Avenue Livable Centers Study; Old Sixth Ward Phase I Mobility Plan; H-GAC's Regional Transportation Plan; and H-GAC's High Capacity Transit Taskforce Report. The plan includes a prioritized list of recommended improvements and implementation strategies with equal emphasis on all modes of transportation.

Traffic Engineers, Inc. was selected as the consultant for this plan, which began in November 2023. The steering committee was comprised of representatives from TIRZ 13; the City of Houston Planning, Public Works, Fire, and Police Departments; Harris County Precinct 1; the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT); and METRO. Throughout the planning process, the project team engaged with the community through a series of public meetings and online engagement options (<https://engage.h-gac.com/osw-tirz>), receiving nearly 300 contributions.

CURRENT SITUATION

The Old Sixth Ward/TIRZ 13 Phase II Mobility Plan was completed in January 2025. The plan resulted in a list of recommendations for eight key corridors within the plan area and an Implementation & Funding Action Plan for agencies.

ACTION REQUESTED

For information only.