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Latest News

- D2: Three corridor alternatives using DART-owned right-of-way through Victory Park are recommended for further study – Pacific, Elm and Commerce. All alternatives include options for connecting to the Deep Ellum area by way of Swiss Ave. (preferred) or Monument St.
- D2: DART is hosting two public meetings on April 18, where staff will present an analysis of the revised Set of Reasonable Alternatives. The objective is to advance a short list of alternatives through more detailed evaluation.
- D2: A Community-sponsored planning charrette will be held in Deep Ellum on April 19 to discuss, develop, and present design options for the east-end of the alignment.
- Cotton Belt: The DART Board Planning Committee received a staff update on the project during its April 11 meeting.
- Cotton Belt: Baseline acoustic testing was completed on April 6. These tests are designed to establish the ambient noise level along the corridor.
- Public meetings scheduled for May 15, 17, and 22 in North Dallas, Richardson and Carrollton.

D2 Meetings since April 7

- **Mon, Apr 10, The Real Estate Council:** provide D2 briefing, touching on overview, key dates and major issues.

D2 Upcoming Meetings

- **Tue, Apr 18, 12:00 & 6:00 p.m., DART Board Room; Public Meetings;** present results of screening of the Set of Reasonable Alternatives.
- **April 19, Life in Deep Ellum, 2803 Taylor:** discuss, develop and present design options for the Swiss Ave. alignment
 - **Charrette 11:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.**
 - **Open House 6 – 8 p.m.**
- **TBD:** Meeting with The Real Estate Council (TREC) to discuss delaying project planning schedule to review alignment selection process.
- **Mon, May 8; 1:00 p.m.; City Hall, Joint DART Board/COD TTRP Committee;** provide D2 briefing.

Cotton Belt Meetings Since April 1

- Coordination discussions between DART and Dallas, Carrollton, Richardson and Plano staffs.
- **April 3:** Presentation of the Garland Quarterly Report, Garland City Council provided brief update on project status.
- **April 4:** Meeting with UTD and City of Richardson staff to discuss UTD Station.
- **April 6:** DART meeting with Dallas City Manager.

Cotton Belt Upcoming Meetings

- **April 27:** DART meeting with Addison, Carrollton, Coppell, Richardson and Plano City Managers.
- Public meetings scheduled for May.
 - **Monday, May 15; 7:00 p.m.**, Parkhill Junior High School Cafeteria
 - **Wednesday, May 17; 6:30 p.m.**, Richardson Civic Center
 - **Monday, May 22; 6:30 p.m.**, DeWitt Perry Middle School
- Ongoing coordination discussions between DART and corridor city staffs.
- Continuing to engage business and community leaders to keep them informed on Cotton Belt project status.
- Additional dates/times for meetings with stakeholders and elected officials to be determined.

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