

Frequently Asked Questions

FOR MELISSA ROAD

1. Who is designing the project?
 - a. The project is being designed by H.W. Lochner – BWR Division, this is the same design firm who has done numerous projects for the City of Melissa.
2. Who is constructing the project?
 - a. The construction firm will not be determined until the project goes out for public bidding to ensure the best value for the City.
3. Why is this project being constructed?
 - a. Being part of the 2007 Transportation bond Program Melissa Road is an integral part of the growth of The City of Melissa, as it will be a major thoroughfare between SH 5 and SH 121. The road will ease traffic load, speeding commute time and promote business development in the City.
4. How much is this costing the City?
 - a. This amount has not been established yet as the County will be helping to pay a portion of the construction costs.
5. What is the estimated time to begin construction?
 - a. There is no timetable for construction at this time, but for the City to use the matching allocated County funds, the project will have to be constructed.
6. How long will this project last?
 - a. This project would have an approximate construction schedule of about one year.
7. Why is the City taking more R.O.W.?
 - a. More right of way is required for the constructing the proposed section as identified on the Capital Improvement Transportation plan.
8. Why not fix/ widen the road within the current limits?
 - a. As defined on the Thoroughfare Plan, the capacity required for the roadway will require a street section that is wider than the existing right-of-way.
9. How was the need for bike lanes established?
 - a. Melissa Road is adjacent to the Melissa Hike and Bike Trail system and as defined in the Trail system requirements, when a street is constructed along the Trail system, Bike lanes will be included.
10. How will access to my home be maintained throughout the project?
 - a. Every effort in coordination will be made to always maintain an open roadway, not requiring citizen's to detour around the construction area unless absolutely required. In addition to keeping the roadway open, homeowners will always have access to their drives and coordination for reconstruction of the drives shall be established with the contractor to ensure you maintain access.



11. How is my property going to be affected?

- a. Please review the Schematic and identify your home's location. In some cases, your property may not be affected in any way other than grading work. In other cases, there may be additional right of way required to construct the roadway.

12. Can you fix my drainage, fence, driveway, etc.?

- a. In any case where additional right of way is purchased, fences will be removed and a new fence similar to the existing type will be constructed. As part of the project, driveways crossed will be replaced as required to obtain a desirable slope for entry/exit. Also the new Melissa road will have an enclosed storm sewer system which will allow for the removal of drainage swales in most cases. Every effort will be made to ensure correct drainage from property so as to not create any future problems for you.

13. Who do I contact when I have a problem?

- a. Please feel free to fill out a comment card and mail it to the engineer of record for the project, Brian Umberger. He will answer any and all questions regarding the project. He can also be reached at Lochner's Anna office at: 972.924.2757.



Comment Card

Name: _____

Desired method of contact: _____

Contact information: _____

Comment or Question:

