

# PROJECT DISPATCH



## Project Dispatch, Issue 8 - August 2023

Dear neighbors,

Buda acquires parkland for Garison Park Enhancements and new sidewalk improvements are underway! Read more to learn more about all the progress the team has been making.

### Buda Bonds 2021 Updates

## Project Updates and Milestones

### Buda Acquires Parkland for Garison Park Enhancements



The City of Buda recently acquired 4.5 acres to [add to Garison Park's 40-acre property](#). The Commissioners Court pledged up to \$900,000 for the purchase through the Hays County 2020 Parks Bond. The acquired property, located at 901 Garison Road, will provide continuous access along Onion Creek where Garison Park will be constructed. Geotechnical work is also underway for Garison Park.

### Robert S. Light Boulevard



Robert S. Light Boulevard has now been extended to link FM-1626 and IH-35. The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is working on the section of Robert S. Light between Main Street and FM-1626. The goal of this project is to alleviate traffic and congestion on Main Street in Buda and divert trucks away from downtown.

- **Current Status:** Under construction
- **Bond Amount:** \$712,500

The rehabilitation work continues and is on track for Fall 2023 completion. Work includes ditch regrading, milling, and guardrail replacement. Please watch for construction equipment in the coming weeks as crews proceed, weather permitting.

### Sidewalk Improvements for Old San Antonio Drive and Cabela's Drive

In the City's continued efforts to improve pedestrian mobility, two new sidewalk improvement projects are underway:

- **Cabela's Drive Sidewalk** - \$50,000
- **Old San Antonio Road** - \$67,000

Both projects will address the gaps in the existing sidewalks, making it safer and more convenient to walk between businesses and neighborhoods. Field data has already been collected on Cabela's Drive and Old San Antonio Road at the beginning of the month.

### Main Street East Extension

Traffic count data from Main Street will be obtained between Sept. 6 – 8 at IH-35 frontage roads and Firecracker Drive. The consulting firm also visited Main Street between IH-35 and Firecracker Drive to evaluate environmental constraints and considerations the week of Aug. 21. Survey data was also collected earlier this month.

## Community Meetings and Events

### Buda Bonds Parks Virtual Showcase



### Green Meadows Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



Thank you for participating in the Buda Bonds Parks Virtual Showcase! Your feedback is crucial to the development and growth of our Parks. We enjoyed showcasing the Buda Bonds Parks and Recreation projects and sharing updates. We look forward to sharing more information with you as the Buda Bonds 2021 program progresses.

Thank you for joining us to commemorate this special milestone with us! We were thrilled to mark the inauguration of the second Green Meadows Pavilion, the first completed project of the 2021 Buda Bonds, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. We always look forward to sharing more information on Buda Bonds' progress with you and celebrating our parks. Make sure to catch us at the next event!

## Upcoming Meetings: Buda Bond Oversight Committee (BBOC)

The BBOC will hold their next meeting on **Monday, Sept. 18 at City Hall at 6:30 p.m.** BBOC meetings are open to the public and we encourage you to join us to learn more about the 2021 Buda Bonds projects!

[BBOC MEETING DETAILS](#)

## BBOC Member Spotlight

We have a dedicated team working diligently to bring the \$89 million Buda Bonds Projects to life. We are delighted to show you the remarkable individuals who make up the Buda Bonds Oversight Committee! For several months, we will shine a spotlight on a different team member and their unique journey. Get to know the people who are making an impact in our community.

### Meet Krista Phillips



Krista Phillips has been a member of the BBOC since the program started in 2021 and has enjoyed seeing all the projects come into formation. As the city continues to grow, Krista recognizes the need for parking, pedestrian, and vehicle mobility improvements throughout her work in the BBOC.

Krista's passion for helping and serving people led her to a career as a realtor with Keller Williams Realty! Outside of the BBOC, Krista serves on the Board of Directors for the Buda Area Chamber of Commerce where she gets the opportunity to meet various small business owners.

Since Krista moved to Buda in 2016, meeting and supporting local business owners over the years has been her favorite part. In her free time, Krista enjoys live music, traveling, playing board games, cooking, and watching movies.

**Fun fact:** Krista makes the best chocolate chip cookies!

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