



The City of Liberty
Liberty Community Development
Corporation

1829 Sam Houston
Liberty, TX 77575
www.cityofliberty.org

Meeting

April Gilliland
City Secretary
936-336-3684

~ Agenda ~

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

The Liberty Community Development Corporation of Liberty, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

I. CALL TO ORDER

ATTENDEE NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	LATE	ARRIVED
President Barbara Norwood				
Vice-President Michael Dorsett Jr.				
Secretary Kathrine McCarty				
Board Member Mark Campbell				
Board Member Dan VanDeventer				
Board Member Marsha LaFour				
Board Member Betty Runkle				

II. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS / CITIZENS FORUM

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III. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

- A. General Manager's Report - General Manager - Tom Warner, Topics include Business Facade Grant Program, Economic Development Agreements, Projects, Permits, Golf Course, Airport, US 90 Median Trees, and Faux Real Trade Days.**
- B. Finance Report**

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

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A. Minutes Approval

1. March 19, 2024

V. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Work Session

1. Hold a work session to review and discuss upgrading the wastewater utility service on Royal Street.
2. Hold a work session to review and discuss a wayfinding signage project for the City of Liberty.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion To: Adjourn

I certify that the attached Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board and in the Message Centers located on the east and west sides of the City Hall Administration Building, located at 1829 Sam Houston on the 12th day of April, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. This notice will remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

April Gilliland
April Gilliland, City Secretary

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I certify that the attached Notice and Agenda of items to be considered by the City Council was removed by me from the bulletin board at the City Hall on the _____ day of _____, ____.

CITY OF LIBERTY

Liberty Community Development Corporation Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: April 16, 2024

Agenda Wording: General Manager's Report - General Manager - Tom Warner, Topics include Business Facade Grant Program, Economic Development Agreements, Projects, Permits, Golf Course, Airport, US 90 Median Trees, and Faux Real Trade Days.

Department: Community Development

Subject: General Manager's Report

Background: This agenda item affords the General Manager the opportunity to update the Board members and public on current and future projects, activities and other items related to the Corporation's business.

- In the FY24 Budget, the LCDC Board of Directors approved \$90,000 for the Business Facade Grant Program and \$25,806.50 has been spent so far (\$64,193.50 remains). Four grants have been approved to date:
 - ETEC Realty (116 McManus) - \$9,405 - PAID on 01-08-24
 - Abshire & Sons Bookkeeping (1315 N San Jacinto) - \$4,559 - PAID on 1-12-24
 - Health Center of Southeast Texas (1400 N Travis) - \$2,375 - PAID on 3-28-24
 - Fairlake Properties, LLC (4505 Sandune) - \$9,467
- One facade grant was approved in the prior fiscal year that has not yet been paid:
 - Resident Suites (2626 Highway 90) - \$8,500
- LCDC has one outstanding economic development agreement:
 - SwampSmoke, LLC (\$25,000) – Approved on 12/21/21; Business Grand Opening on 3/2/23 - PAID on 4-1-24
 - RKR Restaurants, LLC (\$65,000) – Approved on 7/18/23
- Completed Projects
 - Amtex Insurance (1924 Hwy 90, Suite C) - Certificate of Occupancy
 - Odum Oil & Gas (1914 Myrtle) - Remodel
- Projects Under Construction – New Construction and Additions
 - KJ Chemical Phase II - Expand parking lot and driveway (4003 Beaumont)
 - Wendy's - New Build (1912 US 90)
 - Popeyes - Re-Build (1710 US 90)
 - Liberty County Warehouse - New Build (318 San Jacinto)
 - Liberty High School - Welding Pavilion (2615 Jefferson)
 - Liberty High School - Softball/Baseball Training Facility (2615 Jefferson)
 - Fire Station No. 2 - New Build (119 Bowie)

- Projects Under Construction – Renovations and Remodels
 - Lakeland Apartments – Convert commercial buildings into apartments (2704 N Main)
- Infrastructure Projects
 - Liberty High School Drainage Improvements (2615 Jefferson)
- Upcoming Projects
 - RV Park (700 Port Road) – *Plans are currently under review*
 - Casa Del Pueblo (1110 Highway 90) – *Plans are currently under review*
 - Car Wash (2812 N Main) – *Plans are currently under review*
 - Starbucks (1606 US 90) - *Plans are currently under review*
 - Freedom Church (422 US 90) - *Plans are currently under review*
- On April 9th, the City Council ratified LCDC's expenditure of \$21,000 for the July 3rd fireworks show.
- LCDC's website can be found here: <https://www.libertycdc.org/>
- The City has issued sign permits for the following businesses: 1400 N Travis (Health Center of SET); 1912 US 90 (Wendy's) and 1103 US 90 (Clayton Homes).
- The city has issued residential remodel permits for the following properties: 3333 Neyland and 819 Robbie.
- Final Designs for the wildlife fencing project at the Airport were delivered to the City on January 3rd. TxDOT reviewed the final designs on January 30th. On February 13th, City Council ratified LCDC's additional expenditure for the project. Construction is expected to start on June 1st and be completed by October 1st.
- \$600,000 is needed to complete funding for the t-hangar project at the airport.
- The City has signed a contract with Clayton Bracey for the Highway 90 Tree Replacement Project. The TxDOT Area Office has given tentative approval for the project. The project is currently on hold by the city until the impact of the proposed cable barrier project can be determined.
- Faux Real Trade Days is on April 19 – 21. All activities take place at the TVE Fairgrounds (321 FM 563).

Funding Source: n/a

Staff Recommendation: n/a

CITY OF LIBERTY

Liberty Community Development Corporation Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: April 16, 2024

Agenda Wording: Finance Report

Department: Finance

Subject: Finance Report

Background: This agenda item affords the Assistant City Manager / CFO an opportunity to report on the financial activities and position of the Liberty Community Development Corporation, to include revenues, liabilities, assets, and other financial information.

Funding Source: n/a

Staff Recommendation: n/a

C I T Y O F L I B E R T Y
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
AS OF: FEBRUARY 29TH, 2024

-LIBERTY COMM. DEV. CORP.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

LT#	ACCOUNT NAME	ANNUAL BUDGET	CURRENT PERIOD	Y-T-D ACTUAL	% OF BUDGET	BUDGET BALANCE
<u>REVENUE SUMMARY</u>						
	REVENUE	1,274,950.00	129,003.24	561,267.40	44.02	713,682.60
	FUND TOTAL REVENUE ***	1,274,950.00	129,003.24	561,267.40	44.02	713,682.60
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<u>EXPENDITURE SUMMARY</u>						
	LIBERTY COMMUNITY DEV	1,274,950.00	8,675.76	74,430.83	5.84	1,200,519.17
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	FUND TOTAL EXPENDITURES ***	1,274,950.00	8,675.76	74,430.83	5.84	1,200,519.17
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	LESS REVENUES/EXPENDITURES	0.00	120,327.48	486,836.57	0.00	(486,836.57)
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VENUE

LT#	ACCOUNT NAME	ANNUAL BUDGET	CURRENT PERIOD	Y-T-D ACTUAL	% OF BUDGET	BUDGET BALANCE
<u>REVENUE</u>						
-0101	SALES TAX REVENUE	1,150,000.00	120,360.85	518,284.80	45.07	631,715.20
-0110	INTEREST INCOME	50,000.00	8,642.39	42,982.60	85.97	7,017.40
-2120	TRANSFER IN FROM FUND BALANCE	74,950.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	74,950.00
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FUND TOTAL	REVENUE ***	1,274,950.00	129,003.24	561,267.40	44.02	713,682.60
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<u>CHARGES & SERVICES</u>						
-307	MAINTENANCE WEBSITE	7,500.00	18.07	90.35	1.20	7,409.65
-309	MARKETING & ADVERTISING	32,000.00	7,808.41	18,024.97	56.33	13,975.03
-311	OFFICE SUPPLIES	0.00	0.00	(1.26)	0.00	1.26
-313	MISCELLANEOUS	6,880.00	0.00	4,759.90	69.18	2,120.10
-314	TRAVEL & TRAINING	5,000.00	849.28	894.28	17.89	4,105.72
-315	DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
-319	LEGAL FEES	5,000.00	0.00	630.00	12.60	4,370.00
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CATEGORY TOTAL **		57,880.00	8,675.76	24,398.24	42.15	33,481.76
<u>OTHER</u>						
-423	BUSINESS INCENTIVES FACADE	90,000.00	0.00	24,377.59	27.09	65,622.41
-424	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PRIOR YR	90,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	90,000.00
-425	HWY 90 MEDIAN	85,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	85,000.00
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CATEGORY TOTAL **		265,000.00	0.00	24,377.59	9.20	240,622.41
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>						
-619	INTEREST SERIES 2014	78,320.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	78,320.00
-620	PRINCIPAL SERIES 2014	155,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	155,000.00
-621	ADMIN FEES SERIES 2014	750.00	0.00	1,050.00	140.00	(300.00)
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CATEGORY TOTAL **		234,070.00	0.00	1,050.00	0.45	233,020.00
<u>TRANSFERS</u>						
-728	TRANSFER TO AIRPORT FUND	40,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40,000.00
-730	TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND	200,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200,000.00
-732	TRANSFER TO GOLF COURSE	30,000.00	0.00	24,605.00	82.02	5,395.00
-733	TRANSFER TO FLEET FUND	48,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48,000.00
-734	TRANSFER TO CAPITAL PROJECTS	400,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	400,000.00
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CATEGORY TOTAL **		718,000.00	0.00	24,605.00	3.43	693,395.00
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL **		1,274,950.00	8,675.76	74,430.83	5.84	1,200,519.17
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ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	BALANCE	
SETS			
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1-1-2110	CASH	2,819,500.69	
1-1-2199	DUE FROM GBG FOR SALES TAX	1,701.15	
1-1-2500	DUE FROM STATE	<u>203,244.28</u>	
			<u>3,024,446.12</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			3,024,446.12
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
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1-2-0220	AP PENDING-POOLED CASH	192.98	
1-2-1111	ENCUMBRANCE	(778,340.70)	
1-2-1112	RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCE	778,340.70	
1-2-1113	PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCE	271,273.70	
1-2-1114	PRIOR YEAR RESERVE ENCUMBRANCE	(271,273.70)	
1-2-2162	INTEREST PAYABLE	2,255.06	
1-2-2180	FUND BALANCE	<u>2,535,161.51</u>	
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY			<u>2,537,609.55</u>
TOTAL REVENUE			561,267.40
TOTAL EXPENSES			<u>74,430.83</u>
TOTAL REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSES			486,836.57
TOTAL EQUITY & REV. OVER/(UNDER) EXP.			<u>486,836.57</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, EQUITY & REV.OVER/(UNDER) EXP.			3,024,446.12
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Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order on March 19, 2024 in the City Council Chambers, 1829 Sam Houston Street, Liberty, Texas at 6:00 p.m. by President Barbara Norwood.

A.

ATTENDEE NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	LATE	ARRIVED
President Barbara Norwood	X			
Vice-President Michael Dorsett Jr.	X			
Secretary Kathrine McCarty	X			
Board Member Mark Campbell			X	6:04 P.M.
Board Member Dan VanDeventer	X			
Board Member Marsha LaFour		X		
Board Member Betty Runkle	X			

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President Norwood welcomed guests and visitors in attendance, opening the floor for public comment to those individuals wishing to address the board. Mr. Michael Templeton, Commercial Realtor, discussed with the LCDC Board about extending the wastewater line to the properties for sale on Royal Street.

III. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

- A. General Manager's Report - General Manager - Tom Warner, Topics include Business Facade Grant Program, Economic Development Agreements, Projects, Permits, Golf Course, Airport, US 90 Median Trees, Faux Real Trade Days, Jubilee and Trinity River Authority.**

City Manager Tom Warner reported on the following updates:

- Business Facade Grant Program
- Economic development agreements
- Projects
- Permits
- Golf Course
- Airport
- US 90 Median Trees
- Faux Real Trade Days
- Jubilee
- Trinity River Authority

B. Finance Report

Assistant City Manager / CFO Naomi Herrington reported on the LCDC financials as of January 31, 2024.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

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A motion was made by Board Secretary Kathrine McCarty to approve all items on the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Board Member Betty Runkle. The motion passed 6 to 0.

A. Minutes Approval

1. February 20, 2024

V. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Regular Session

1. Hold a public hearing regarding the possible expenditure of funds.

At 6:14 p.m., President Norwood opened the Public Hearing regarding the expenditure of funds per Section 505.159 of the Local Government Code requires Type B Corporations to hold at least one public hearing prior to the expenditure of funds for projects. The administration recommends holding a public hearing regarding the possible expenditure of funds for the following projects:

1. Fireworks for July 3, 2024

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:14 p.m. with no public comments made.

2. Consider approving an expenditure of \$21,000 for the July 3, 2024 fireworks show.

The City has contracted with Pyro Shows of Fort Worth to provide the annual fireworks display. This year's display will be held on Wednesday, July 3, 2024. Pyro Shows has been providing fireworks displays since 2019. The cost of the display this year is \$21,000, which is \$5,000 more than last year.

During the February 27, 2024, City Council Meeting, this item was presented to the City Council for approval. City Council directed staff to present the firework agreement and payment to LCDC for consideration. This request for LCDC to fund the July 3rd fireworks show was to relieve pressure on the general fund and due to the size of LCDC's fund balance.

The fireworks show was previously funded by Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) funds. State law no longer allows fireworks to be paid for by HOT funds.

A motion was made by Vice President Michael Dorsett to approve the expenditure of \$21,000 for the July 3, 2024, fireworks show. The motion was seconded by Board Member Dan VanDeventer. The motion passed 6 to 0.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion To: Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, President Norwood adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Barbara Norwood, President

ATTEST:

Kathrine McCarty, Board Secretary

CITY OF LIBERTY

Liberty Community Development Corporation Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: April 16, 2024

Agenda Wording: Hold a work session to review and discuss upgrading the wastewater utility service on Royal Street.

Department: Community Development

Subject: Royal Street Utilities

Background: The work session is to review and discuss the current utility situation on Royal Street as brought up by Mr. Templeton at the March 19 LCDC Meeting.

Funding Source: n/a

Staff Recommendation: Hold the work session



UTILITY CAPACITY REQUEST

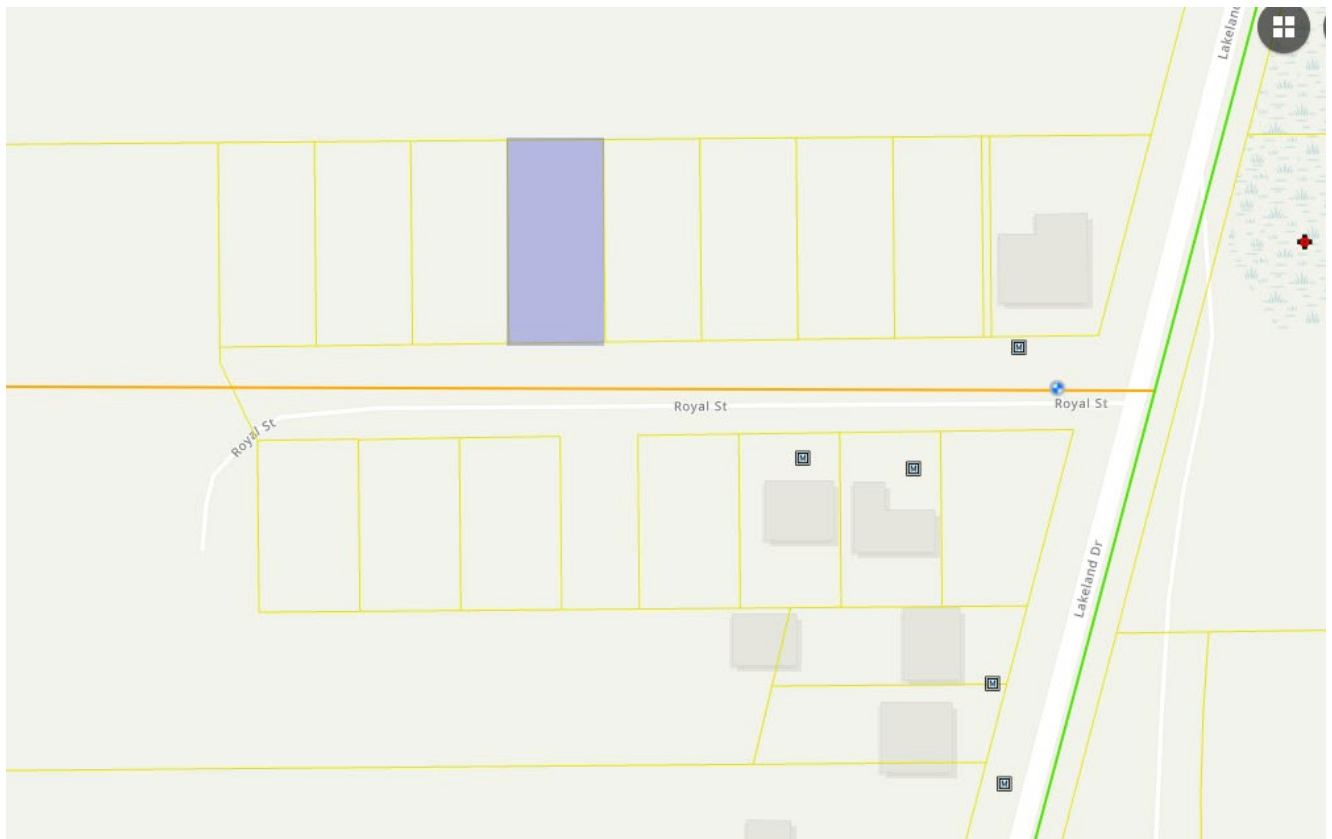
LOCATION: Royal St. Property ID 55572

FACILITIES AVAILABLE:

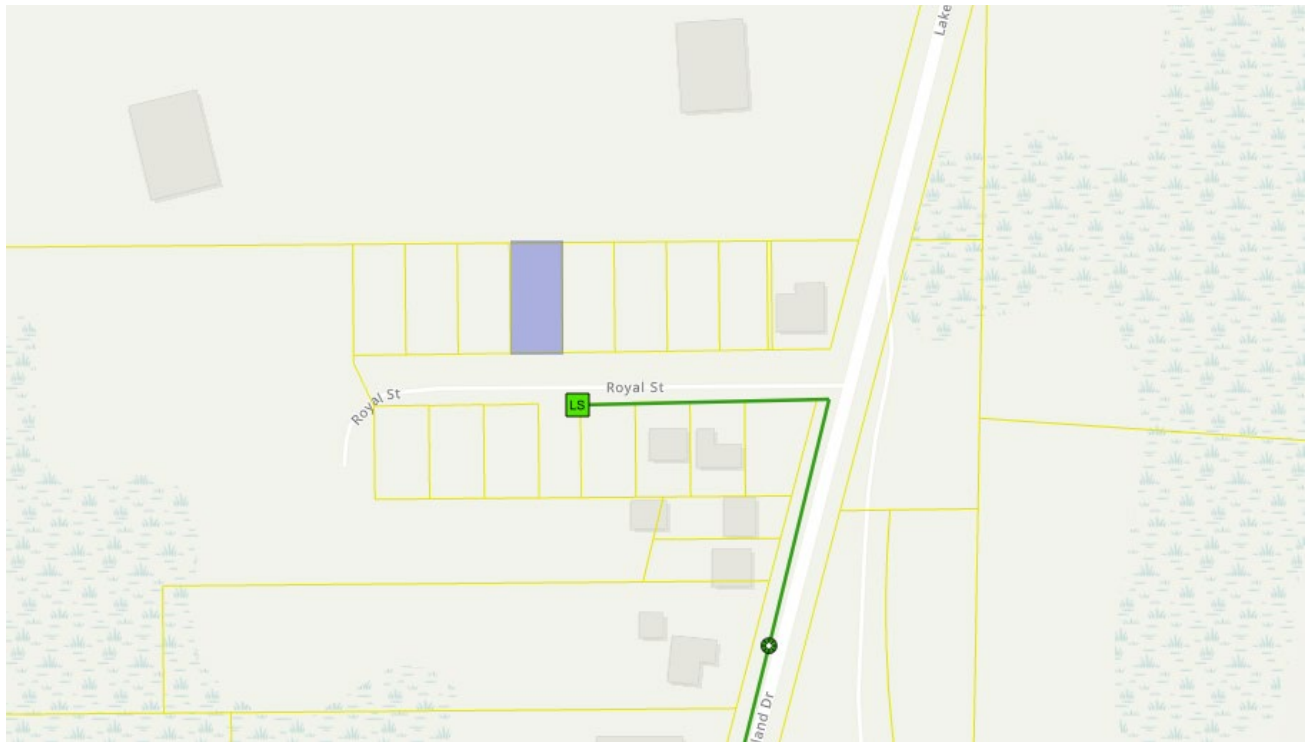
UNDEVELOPED ROAD AREA

WATER – 2" WATERLINE AVAILABLE

SANITARY SEWER – A 6" SEWERLINE NOT IN FRONT OF PROPERTY



2" WATERLINE AVAILABLE.



6" SANITARY SEWER LINE NOT IN FRONT OF PROPERTY.



CITY OF LIBERTY

Liberty Community Development Corporation Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: April 16, 2024

Agenda Wording: Hold a work session to review and discuss a wayfinding signage project for the City of Liberty.

Department: Community Development

Subject: Wayfinding Signs

Background: Wayfinding signs are used as a means to direct tourists to major attractions or landmarks within a City.

Based on a review of news articles, this project is estimated to cost up to \$250,000.

Funding Source: Potential funding sources include LCDC, and HOT Funds.

Staff Recommendation: Hold the work session

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Wayfinding Signage Project Approved By City Council

📅 June 22, 2021 at 11:57 am 👤 Derrick Stuckly 📰 Local News (https://www.brownwoodnews.com/category/brownwood-news/)













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Pictured are how the future wayfinding signs will look in Brownwood. [Graphic courtesy of City of Brownwood]

The Brownwood City Council on Tuesday unanimously approved funding a wayfinding signage project up to \$150,000 of reserve HOT funds and placement of certain signs in the City Right of Way as coordinated with City staff.

The Brownwood Area Chamber of Commerce has been developing a community wayfinding signage project for Brownwood for the last several years. The chamber has engaged the company National Sign Plaza for the development and implementation of the signs. The goal of the project is to compliment other tourism efforts to show that Brownwood is a visitor friendly city while directing visitors, and those passing through town, to certain tourism attractions such as the Sports Complex, Museum, Downtown, Coliseum, etc. After several years of development, the project is ready for the implementation phase.



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During this phase, National Sign Plaza will manufacture the signs, work with TxDOT and City of Brownwood on placement in the Right of Way, and install the signs at the designated locations. The final locations of the signs will be determined after National Sign Plaza consults with TxDOT and City officials. There will be approximately traffic 26 signs directing to over 20 tourism destinations included in this phase of the project. Cost for the manufacturing and installation of the signs is \$150,000 which will be paid from reserve Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) funds which is outlined in the tourism services agreement between the City of Brownwood and the Brownwood Area Chamber of Commerce.

Wayfinding signs list of destinations include:

- Visitor Center
- Welcome to Brownwood



- Downtown
- Lake Brownwood
- Aquatic Center
- Museum of History
- Lyric Theatre
- Railroad Museum
- Paddling Trail
- Coliseum
- Riverside Park
- Event Center
- Brownwood Regional Airport
- Howard Payne University
- Allcorn Park Splash Pad
- Gordon Wood Stadium
- Sports Complex Parking
- Disc Golf
- Soccer Complex
- Sports Complex
- Skate Park

In other business Tuesday, the City Council unanimously approved a 12-month lease agreement for the office of the Keep Brownwood Beautiful Executive Director Pilar Roy to be housed in Adams Street Community Center.

Also, the City Council unanimously approved a resolution authorizing the donation of a 1996 Ford Ranger and a 100-gallon plastic tank to Greenleaf Cemetery.

The City Manager was authorized to sign the shelter activities approval form for Brown County Home Solutions to apply for a Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Emergency Solutions Grant. The grant is applied for annually and provides in the neighborhood of \$83,000 for operating expenses.

Items passed on the consent agenda included amending the Fair Housing Ordinance to comply with the federal Fair Housing Act for compliance with the Community Development Block Grant, along with ratifying BMDD Board action to approve a Building Improvement Incentive Program (BIIP) grant to Willie's T's not to exceed \$4,500 for a property located at 909 Pecan Street.

◀ PREVIOUS STORY

City to spend \$30K to bring airport into conformance with FAA, state standards (<https://www.brownwoodnews.com/2021/06/22/city-to-spend-30k-to-bring-airport-into-conformance-with-faa-state-standards/>)

NEXT STORY ▶

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Wednesday, November 2, 2016

No. 44

Promoting a Completely Healthy Lifestyle CHPT opens fitness center



Rylee Tricek doing a pull-up at the Complete Hometown Physical Therapy Fitness Center. Photo by Matt Wilson.

MATT WILSON, STAFF WRITER
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Complete Hometown Physical Therapy opened its fitness center late in September. The gym is at CHPT's Hallettsville location and is open from 4 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The new gym is fully outfitted with treadmills, a rowing machine, free weight sets and other specialized exercise equipment. Owners Kevin and Kelly Chance say they view the fitness center as an extension

of CHPT's physical therapy service.

"So many of our patients have requested a way to stay connected with CHPT after they discharge from physical therapy," Kevin says. "The fitness memberships were a way to accommodate those desires."

The Chances, who have been in the physical therapy business for over a decade, say that the new gym fills a growing need for preventative health care in the county.

"With all the changes that are surrounding health care in our country at this time, we understand the struggles people are experiencing with increased insurance premiums, higher deductibles and more out of pocket expenses," says Kevin. "The Fitness Center allows a low cost option to get people around physical therapy and working out with some coaching and focus on prevention."

See **CHPT**, pg. 16

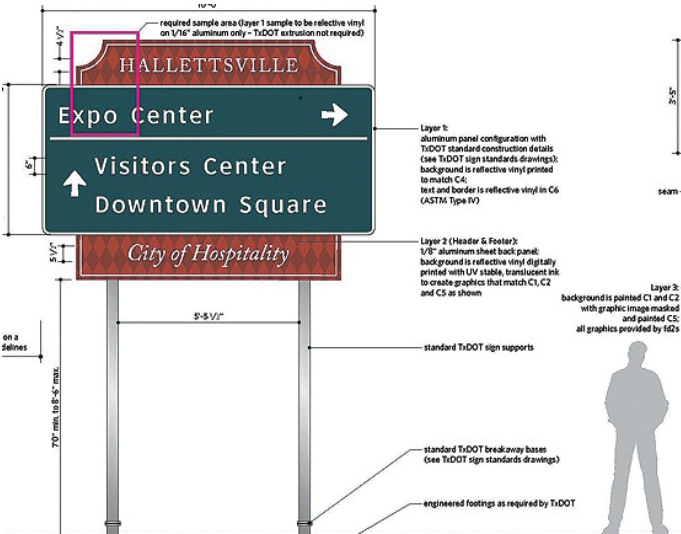
Council lets bid on Wayfinding signage

CHUCK GRAFE, STAFF WRITER
HTHSPTS@SBCGLOBAL.NET

The Hallettsville City Council accepted a bid from an Ohio company to provide signs for the Way-

funds.

The council okayed advertising for engineering and administration/professional services for the Texas Department



Pictured above is an example of the signage. Contributed photo.

finding Program.

Geograph Industries of Harrison, Ohio submitted the lowest bid of \$193,178.

Eight bids were received with two not meeting the requirements of the bid proposals.

City administrator Jason Cozza said the signs will be made in Ohio and trucked to Hallettsville.

The project will be paid for out of Hotel/Motel tax

of Agriculture 2017-18 Community Development Block Grant application.

The grant money would be used for a water or sewer line project.

Mayor Warren Grindland presided over the meeting with council members Elmo Grant, Gene Chandler, Alice Jo Summers, Stephen Hunter and Cindy Renken present.

Standard time returns this weekend

It's time to move our clocks back one hour as we change from daylight saving time to standard time during the pre-dawn hours Sunday morning.

Since the establishment of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, our country observes daylight saving time beginning the second Sunday in March and returns to standard time the first Sunday in November.

The official change back to standard time takes place at 2 a.m., but citizens should set their clocks one hour back before retiring for the night on Saturday evening.

In addition to moving clocks back one-hour, this is also a good time to check smoke detectors in your home and change the batteries if needed.

It is estimated that a smoke detector that functions correctly more than doubles the chance of surviving a fire in the home.

It is also estimated that over 90 percent of the homes have at least one smoke detector, but only one-third of them have expired or missing batteries.

We will remain on standard time through the winter months and return to daylight saving time on Sunday, March 12, 2017.

REMEMBER:
Spring Forward
Fall Back

THE HUNT BEGINS White-tail deer season starts Saturday

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The general white-tail deer hunting season begins Saturday with hunters throughout Lavaca County as well as the state hitting the woods.

The hunting season actually began on October 1 with archery-only hunting season.

A special youth-only season for licensed hunters who are 16 years old or younger was held this past weekend, October 29-30, and a second special youth season will take place from Jan. 2-15, 2017.

Lavaca County is considered to be located in the North Texas zone with the general white-tail deer hunting season beginning Saturday, Nov. 5 and ending Sunday, Jan. 1, 2017.

The South zone, which includes Calhoun and Refugio counties, will begin Saturday, but will have its hunting season extended

until Jan. 15, 2017.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) lists the regulations involving definitions, bag limits, antler and harvest restrictions, and rules for processing:

DEFINITIONS

- No person may take more than five white-tailed deer or more than three bucks (all seasons combined) in one license year. The only exception for deer taken falls under a Managed Land Deer permit (MLD). Bag limits may be less in individual counties including Lavaca County that allows four deer with no more than two bucks, and no more than two antlerless deer for all seasons combined.

SPECIAL ANTLER RESTRICTIONS

According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, the following special antler restrictions apply:

- Antler restrictions apply only in certain



White tailed deer hunting season begins Saturday with the dream of all hunters is to see a buck like this one. The hunting season for this part of Texas will continue through Sunday, Jan. 1, 2017. File photo by the late Myra Lampley.

counties. In these counties, the bag limit is two legal bucks, but one may

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Americans to select new president

General election set for Tuesday, Nov. 8; Polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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After months and months of candidates campaigning, voters will go to the polls Tuesday, Nov. 8 to vote for a new president of the United States.

In addition, a number of contested races are found on the ballot this year with candidates vying for federal, state and local positions.

Listed in order and appearing on the ballot are: Republican Party nominees for president and vice-president, Donald J. Trump and Mike Pence, Democratic Party candidates Hillary Clinton and Tim Kaine, Libertarian Party candidates Gary Johnson and William Weld, and Green Party nominees Jill Stein and Ajamu Baraka.

In the race for U. S. Representative District 27, incumbent Republican Blake Farenthold will face opposition from Democratic Party nominee Raul (Roy) Barrera.

On the state level there are contested races for Railroad Commissioner; Justice, Supreme Court, Places 3, 5 and 9, and Judge, Court of Criminal

Appeals for Places 2, 5 and 6.

In the race for State Senator, District 18, incumbent Republican Party candidate Lois W. Kolkhorst is facing opposition from Libertarian Party nominee Kathie L. Stone.

For State Representative, District 13, incumbent Republican candidate Leighton Schubert is running against

See **ELECTION**, pg. 16

Early voting ends Friday

As of Monday, early voting in the general election has now completed six days with a record voter turnout being set in a presidential election for Lavaca County.

Elections administrator Vicki Vogel said through Monday there have been 2,494 Lavaca County voters who have cast their ballots thus far.

In addition, Vogel said her office has received another 458 by mail.

The 2,952 votes cast thus far outdistances the six-day election total in 2012 by 700 votes.

See **EARLY**, pg. 16

2016 SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL Homecoming



Allison Janak and Wyatt Fogle were crowned Sacred Heart Catholic School Homecoming Queen and King at the Homecoming festivities Saturday night. Allison is the daughter of Paul Janak Jr. and Nan Pilat and Wyatt is the son of Troy and Laura Fogle. Contributed photo.

Bringing Back
Main Street

Wayfinding





What is Wayfinding?

- Wayfinding is the act of self-guiding. Wayfinding is gaining an understanding of where you are relative to other things in your environment and then moving successfully and intentionally to another location.
- It includes the strategically organized set of tools that facilitate successful wayfinding – signs, maps, icons, color systems and other elements.

History of the Project

- In 2002-03, the City worked with fd2s to design a wayfinding signage plan. This plan was not implemented.
- July 2012 entered into an agreement with Houston-Galveston Area Council for a Case Study for Huntsville on Housing as an Economic Development Tool.
- Result was the Harnessing Huntsville's Potential



Quality of Life Project Recommendations

4.1.2 MARKET CHARACTER

PROJECTS
Designate gateways/entries to the city.
Implement a Wayfinding and Signage Improvement Project.
Update the City of Huntsville website to reflect the city-sponsored marketing theme.
Develop a comprehensive Economic Development website.



Council and Work Group Activities

- Council approved funding in the 2014-15 budget for signage.
- Several Council workshops were held
- The focus became wayfinding signage
- Mayor Woodward appointed a workgroup representing:
 - City
 - SHSU
 - Chamber
 - Main Street Advisory Board
 - Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Board

Decisions Decisions

- Which destinations
 - Cultural District vs. individual destinations
- Consultant
- Colors, design

Final Design





Next Move

- Locations for Sign Placement
 - TxDOT and the MUTCD (Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices)

MUTCD and TxDOT's Sign Field Crew Book

- <https://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/>
- http://onlinemanuals.txdot.gov/txdotmanuals/sfb/manual_notice.htm

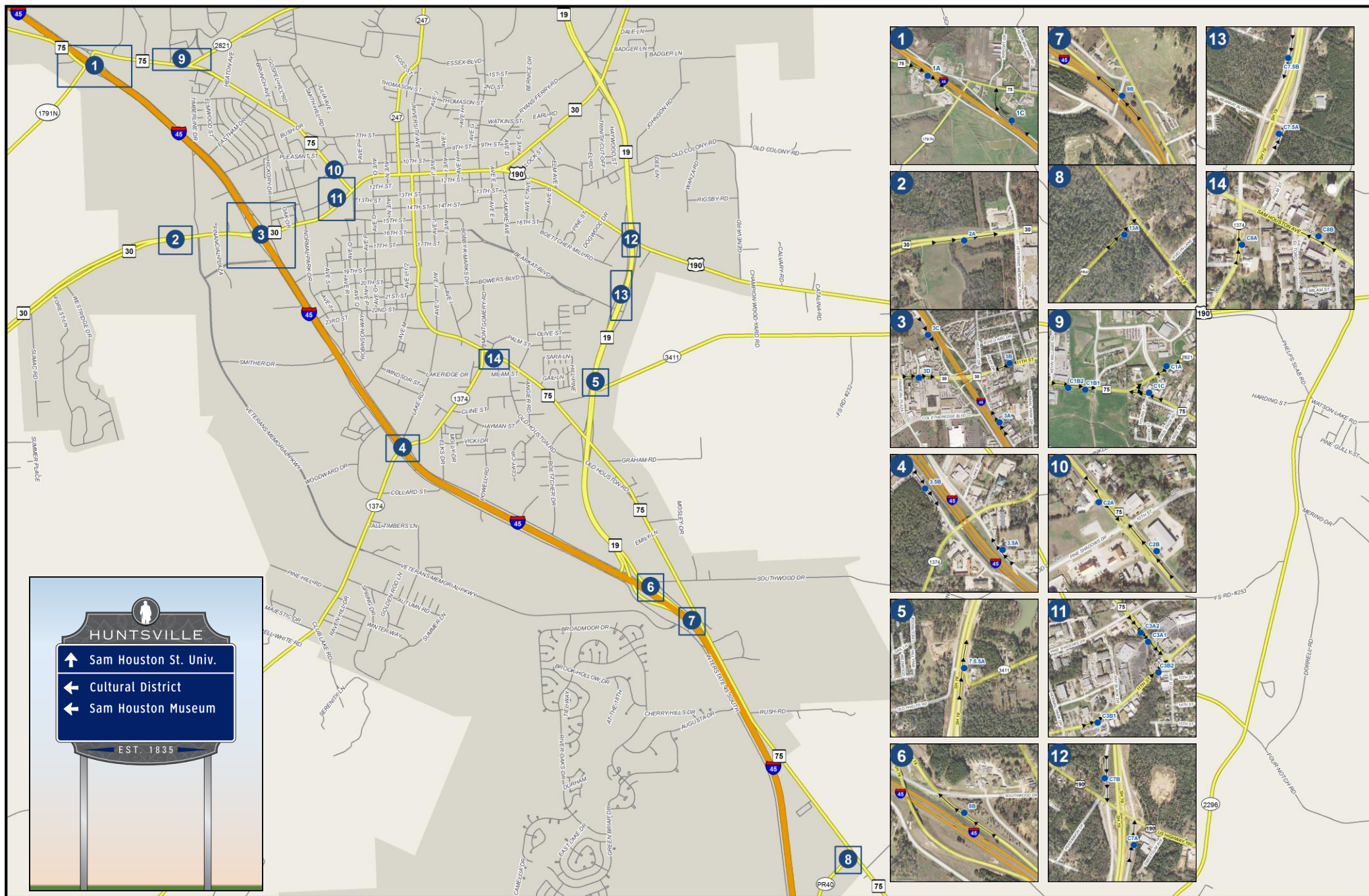


Considerations

- State Highways
 - TxDOT Signs (Distance between, abbreviations, size of letters, reflectivity)
 - Number of Destinations (3 per sign)
 - Breakaway poles (needed approval)
- Federal Highways



Huntsville Wayfinding Project																										
	Sign Costs			\$7,900.00																	Project Costs				\$248,850.00	
Number of Signs	Sign Location	Sign Identification	Sam Houston State University	Statue Visitor's Center	Cultural District	H.E.A.R.T.S Veterans Museum	Texas Prison Museum	Sam Houston Grave	Sam Houston Museum	Kate Barr Ross Park	Bowers Stadium	Johnson Coliseum	Gaertner Performing Arts Center	Huntsville High School	Mance Park Middle School	Samuel W. Houston Cultural Center	Aquatic Center	Estham-Thomason Park	Historic Downtown	Wynne Home Arts Center	Chamber of Commerce	Municipal Facilities	SHSU and Museum	Recommended HOT Board Funds	General Funds	
1	1	1A				1	1			1														\$5,267	\$2,633	
2	1	1C				1	1			1														\$5,267	\$2,633	
3	2	2A	1	1	1																			\$7,900		
4	3	3A				1	1																1	\$7,900		
5	3	3B		1		1	1																	\$7,900		
6	3	3C	1	1					1															\$7,900		
7	3	3D				1	1			1														\$5,267	\$2,633	
8	4	3.5A	1						1															\$7,900		
9	4	3.5B	1	1					1															\$7,900		
10	5	7.5.5A	1					1							1									\$5,267	\$2,633	
11	6	8B	1											1										\$5,267	\$2,633	
12	7	9B		1																				\$7,900		
13	8	13A	1	1					1															\$7,900		
14	9	C1A				1	1			1														\$5,267	\$2,633	
15	9	C1B1			1			1											1					\$7,900		
16	9	C1B2	1											1								1		\$2,633	\$5,267	
17	9	C1C												1										\$5,267	\$2,633	
18	10	C2A														1	1	1						\$2,633	\$5,267	
19	10	C2B														1	1	1						\$2,633	\$5,267	
20	11	C3A1																	1	1	1			\$7,900		
21	11	C3A2	1		1			1																\$7,900		
22	11	C3B1														1	1	1						\$2,633	\$5,267	
23	11	C3B2						1												1	1			\$7,900		
24	12	C7A			1			1							1									\$5,267	\$2,633	
25	12	C7B			1			1							1									\$5,267	\$2,633	
26	13	C7.5A									1	1	1											\$7,900		
27	13	C7.5B									1	1	1											\$7,900		
28	14	C8A	1		1				1															\$7,900		
29	14	C8B									1	1	1											\$7,900		
30	14	C8C		1	1				1															\$7,900		
Subtotal			10	7	7	6	6	6	6	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	\$192,233	\$44,767	
TxDOT Contingency																								\$8,295	\$3,555	
Total																								\$200,528	\$48,322	



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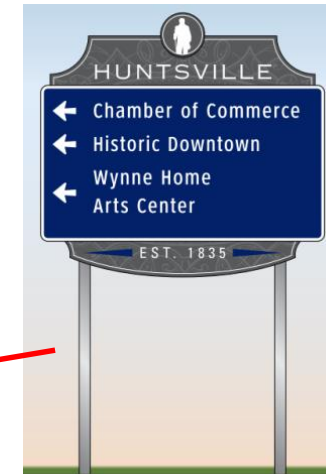
SH-75 and 11th Street



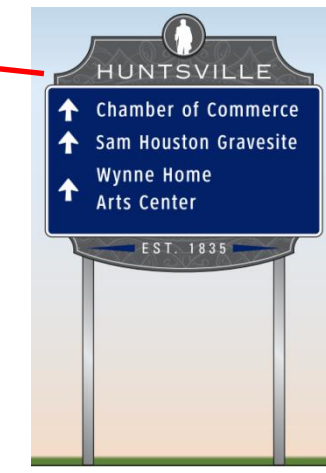
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LOCATION 3B-1



LOCATION 3A-1



LOCATION 3B-2

Sign Ordinances

- Part of our Development Code
- Located at:
<http://online.encodeplus.com/regs/huntsville-tx/doc-viewer.aspx?secid=58&keywords=sign#secid-58>



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CENTERPIECE FEATURED EDITOR'S PICK

City moves forward on Wayfinding Signage Program

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Aug 27, 2022

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Vehicular Signage: SCALE: 1/4"-1'-0"

COURTESY PHOTO

The city of Palestine voted Monday to move forward with a Wayfinding signage program, designed to make navigating the city, especially the downtown area, easier for visitors.

Wayfinding signage, as its name suggests, helps people find their way around businesses, institutions or other physical locations. The signage is designed to direct people from point to point and confirm progress along a given route. It is frequently seen in places such as campuses, airports, hospitals and parks, and is increasing in popularity in cities and towns with higher levels of tourism.

Palestine Tourism Marketing Manager Mary Raum has been working toward the goal of seeing the project take flight for quite some time.

“The City of Palestine has never had wayfinding signage, and the project has been on the city's strategic plan for over two decades,” Raum said. “So it is exciting to see that we will be implementing a project that has been on the wish list for a long time.”

The city, county and Palestine Economic Development are coming together to make the project a reality. The Anderson County Commissioners Court approved \$50,000 to support the project during its meeting on Monday as well.

“I think those signs are going to be a tremendous help,” said County Judge Robert Johnston. “I like going to cities that have signs like that. I think they will help with economic development.”

In addition to the County’s contribution, the City of Palestine has allotted \$200,000 through the Hotel Occupancy Tax funds budget and PEDC gave the project a \$50,000 community development grant.

The city council voted Monday to authorize City Manager Teresa Herrera to seek sealed bids for the Wayfinding Signage Program fabrication and installation with a goal of completion during upcoming budget fiscal year 2022/23.

“We usually leave the bid open for two to four weeks,” Raum said. “Once we have those back it will take approximately 30 days for the city to review all submissions and get the contract awarded through City Council. Depending on contractor availability and

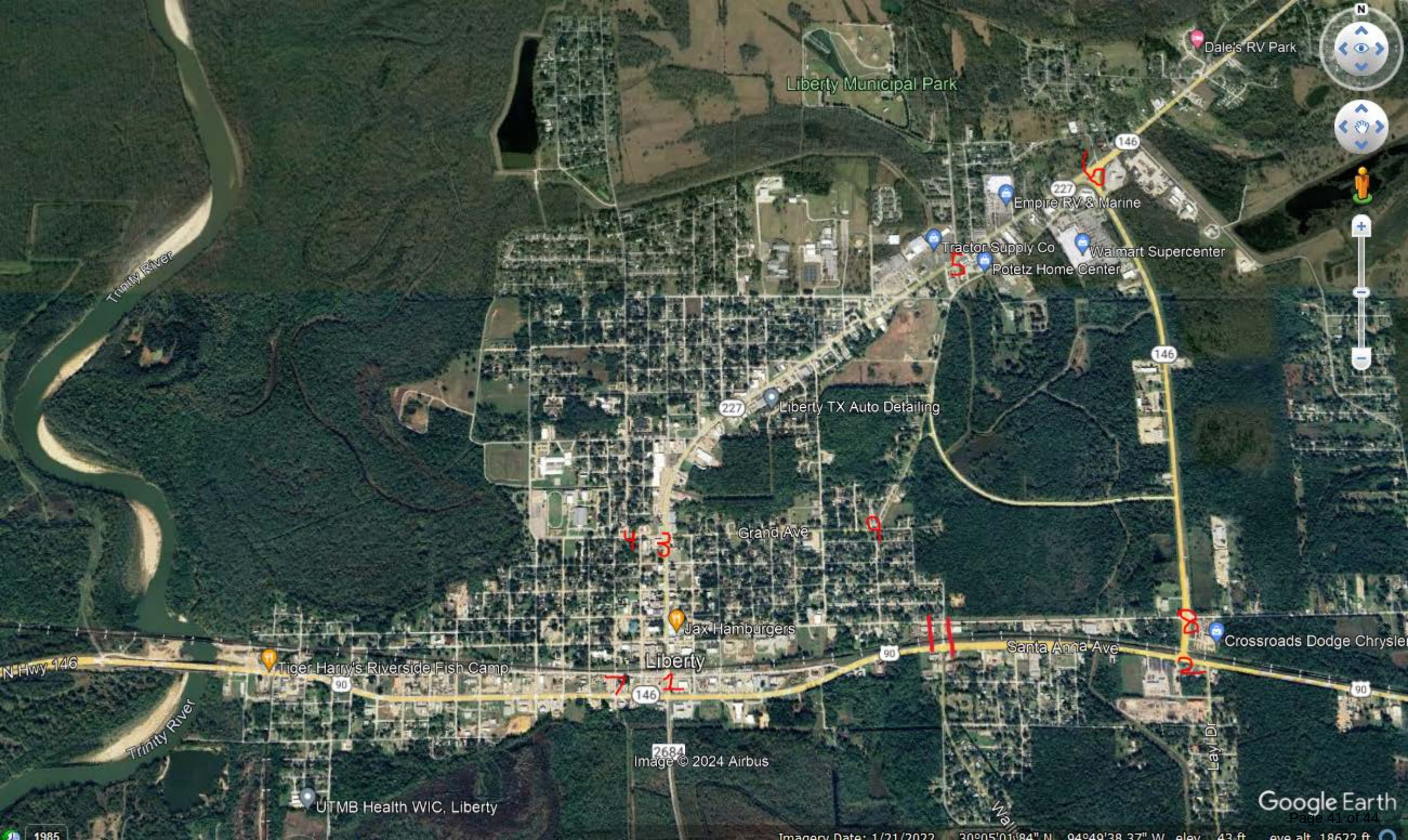
schedules, we'd like to see new signage in the ground by December, but realistically, we should have it completed prior to the Texas Dogwood Trails Celebration in March 2023.”

The end goal of the project is to move Palestine forward as a destination for visitors, but also to provide a sense of pride for Palestine residents.

“My hope for this project is that it helps our local residents regain a sense of pride in community. It's hard to imagine that signage could make a difference like that, but we see it on a day to day basis,” Raum said. “A road gets repaired and suddenly home owners start picking up their yards and porches and taking pride in their property. The Downtown Revitalization Project is the same. It will be a catalyst for change within that immediate and surrounding area.”

Trending Video





Dale's RV Park

Liberty Municipal Park

Empire RV & Marine

Tractor Supply Co

Walmart Supercenter

Potetz Home Center

Liberty TX Auto Detailing

Grand Ave

Jax Hamburgers

Liberty

Santa Anna Ave

Crossroads Dodge Chrysler

Tiger Harry's Riverside Fish Camp

UTMB Health WIC, Liberty

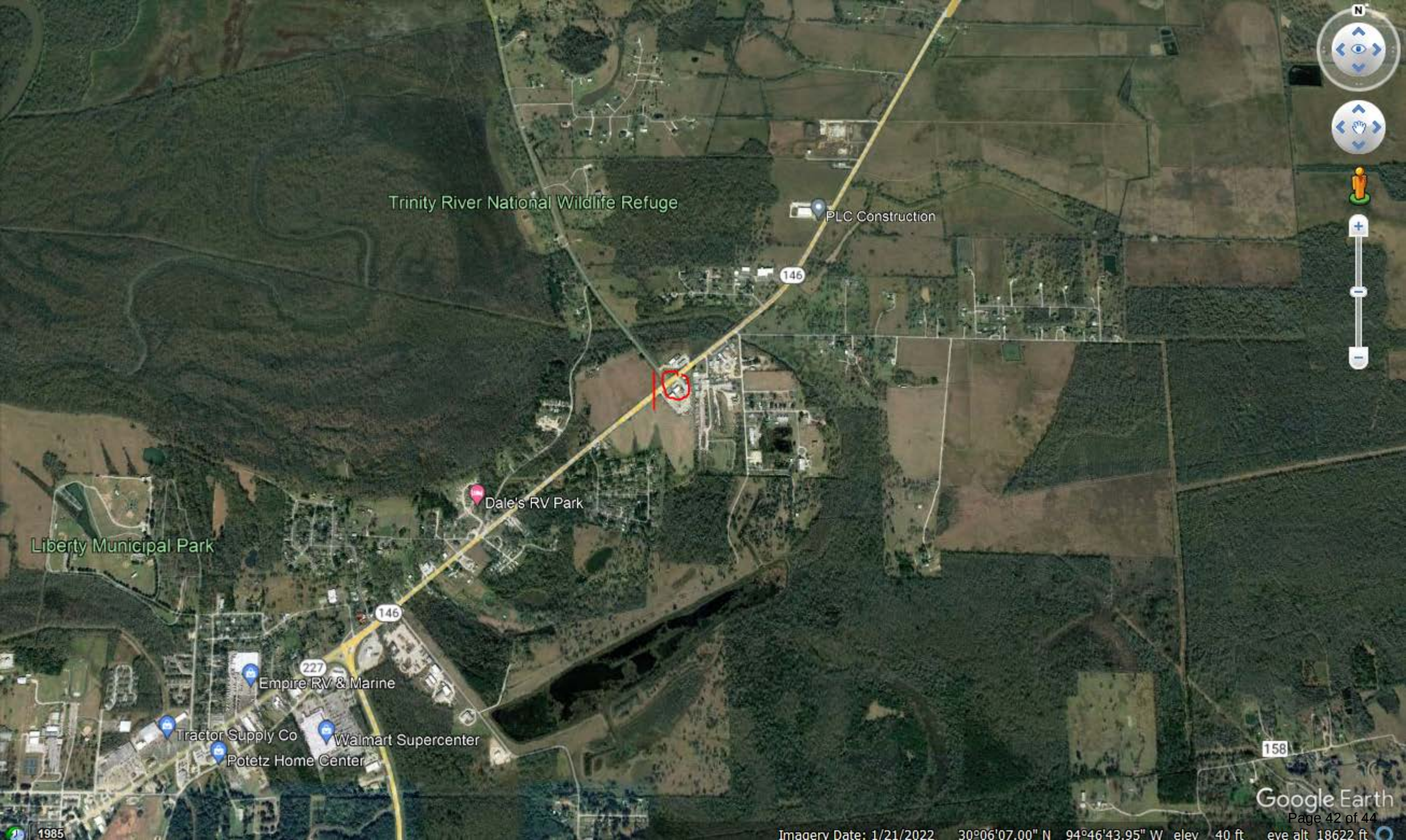
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Google Earth

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Imagery Date: 1/21/2022 30°05'01"84" N 94°40'38"37" W elev 43 ft ave alt 18622 ft

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CITY OF LIBERTY/Highway Directional Sign
Rev. 2



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CITY OF LIBERTY/POST & PANEL
OVERVIEW

MOCKUP BY DAY



MEASUREMENTS



INSTALL ADDRESS:
Texas 105, Liberty, TX, USA

SIDE VIEW



ORDER NUMBER: 23554

DESCRIPTION:

Single-sided, .080 Aluminum Panel with digitally-printed vinyl application. Galvanized I-Beam posts.

Directional panel (blue bkg) to be reflective per 2011 TMUTCD - revision 2

FONT FAMILY: CLEARVIEW

DIMENSIONS:

PANEL SIZE :
120"(W) x 144"(H)
120 SQ FT

COLORS:

FACE COLORS:



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