MoPac Improvement Project Update

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CTRMA Plans Prior to 2020

- Prior to May 2020, CTRMA had 6 options for the MoPac South project
 - **1A** One Express Lane with a downtown direct connection
 - **1B** One Express Lane without a downtown direct connection
 - **2A** Two Express Lanes with a downtown direct connection
 - **2B** Two Express Lanes without a downtown direct connection
 - **2C** Two Express Lanes with elevated ramps near Barton Skyway
 - **City of Austin proposal** similar to 2C, but with express lane connections to and from downtown.
 - <u>http://www.mopacsouth.com/news/past-events.php</u>





CAMPO 2045 Plan

- Approved by CAMPO on May 4, 2020.
- CAMPO 2045 requires the MoPac South project to have:
 - **Two express lanes** in each direction.
 - An auxiliary lane on southbound MoPac from the Bee Cave Rd. entrance ramp to the southbound Loop 360 exit ramp, including an acceleration lane.



CAMPO 2045 Plan effects on MoPac South Project

- The requirements of CAMPO's 2045 Plan eliminate options 1A, 1B, and the City of Austin proposal.
- This leaves only options **2A**, **2B**, **and 2C**.
 - There is a question whether 2B complies with the two-express lane in each direction requirement, but we will assume it does because CTRMA's plans indicate that it does.



CAMPO 2045 Plan's new data

- CAMPO's 2045 plan is based on traffic modeling and environmental studies that were not available when CTRMA developed options 2A, 2B, and 2C.
- There is a question about whether options 2A, 2B, and 2C are still viable when analyzed under the new modeling and data.
- Presumably, within the last year, CTRMA has compared the CAMPO 2045 data to these plans and determined if they are viable.
- We do not have access to CAMPO's 2045 underlying data because it has not been released to the public.





Next Steps

- 1. Inquire with CTRMA whether they have an analysis of if options 2A, 2B, and 2C comply with CAMPO 2045.
 - If not, when do they expect to have an analysis completed?
- 2. Determine if there any other plans being developed by CTRMA based on the CAMPO 2045 data (e.g., a 4th option).
- 3. Determine what will be included in the fall 2021 Open House #5?



Questions?

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