



**March 31, 2017**

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### **Latest News**

- D2: The Planning Committee of the DART Board was briefed March 28 on the three corridor alignment alternatives being advanced for further study. These are the same alignments presented to the Technical and Stakeholder committees on March 22.
- 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: Continuing to engage business and community leaders to keep them informed on D2 project status.
- Cotton Belt: The DART Board Planning Committee received a staff update on the project during its March 28 meeting.
- Cotton Belt: Baseline acoustic testing continues. These tests are designed to establish the ambient noise level along the corridor. Testing schedule has been posted to [DART.org/CottonBelt](http://DART.org/CottonBelt) and email notices sent. Additional communication, including door hangars along corridor, being deployed as testing continues.

### **D2 Meetings since Friday, March 24**

- **March 28, Baylor University Medical Center:** Meeting to discuss remaining alternatives and options for connections in Deep Ellum.

### **D2 Upcoming meetings**

- **April 6, Texas Historical Commission, Austin;** Meeting with THC to provide D2 briefing and discuss issues related to potential impacts to historic places
- **April 18, 12 p.m. and 6 p.m., DART Board Room,** Public meeting to present results of latest screening of Set of Reasonable Alternatives
- **TBD late April, Charrette/Open House:** discuss, develop and present design options for the Swiss Ave alignment.
- **May 8, Joint DART Board/COD TTRP Committee:** D2 briefing.
- **TBD:** Meeting with Victory Park area property representatives. Follow up to Jan. 31 meeting on Y junction at near Victory Station.

### **Cotton Belt Meetings Since March 24**

- Coordination discussions between DART and Dallas, Carrollton, Richardson and Plano staffs.
- **March 29:** First meeting with City of Addison Staff.
- Met with Cotton Belt Concerned Citizens Coalition to discuss upcoming field work, public meetings.

### **Cotton Belt Upcoming Meetings**

- Public meetings planned for May. Dates and locations will be posted at [DART.org/CottonBelt](http://DART.org/CottonBelt) once details are confirmed.
- Ongoing coordination discussions between DART and corridor city staffs.
- **April 4: University of Texas at Dallas Station Meeting** with City of Richardson and University of Texas at Dallas
- 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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