

City of Austin Mobility Report

September 2025



Monthly Highlights

PUBLIC PARKING RESTRICTIONS RETURN TO STEPHEN F. AUSTIN DRIVE



To address parking challenges for students at Austin High School, the City of Austin and Austin ISD are reserving parking on Stephen F. Austin Drive between West Cesar Chavez Street and Veterans Drive for Austin High School students only from Monday through Friday during the school year.

Over the summer, when AISD classes were not in session, the City opened weekday paid parking along Stephen F. Austin Drive to the public. However, there are new parking signs along Stephen F. Austin Drive, restricting parking to Austin High School student permits only, Monday through Friday, from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the school side of the street and from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the Lady Bird Lake side of the street. The new signs were installed in August.

Stephen F. Austin Drive is a private street owned by AISD, which allows public access through an interlocal agreement with the City. Paid parking is still available to the public in this area after 4 p.m. during the week and on the weekends from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Check signage in the area for more information.



Residents are encouraged to use the **Park ATX mobile app**, where you can pay, extend and manage your parking session remotely with just a few taps. People can use up to two free 15-minute parking sessions every 24 hours through the Park ATX mobile app. Prior to completing a parking session, redeem validation by using codes **FREE15ATX1** and **FREE15ATX2**.

CAPMETRO BEGINS NEW SERVICE CHANGES



CapMetro has begun a series of service changes. The transit agency makes planned changes to its service three times a year to improve customer riding experience and respond to shifts in how customers use the service.

- The Route 483 Night Owl Riverside will now extend to the airport. Community feedback has demonstrated strong interest in additional airport connectivity and this extension provides an opportunity to close a gap for late-night travelers, employees and customers. (This change began August 18.)
- UT Shuttle Routes 670 Crossing Place and 671 North Riverside will be combined into a single Route 670 North Riverside. The combination allows for higher frequency and more efficient service while maintaining full connectivity and removing a one-way loop that causes delays and traffic problems. All existing stops will still be served and the total travel time would only change slightly.
- With high school and college resuming, UT Shuttle routes and Routes 4, 217, 315 and 333 have transitioned to normal service levels. School trips will not return on Route 337 because the new Rapid 837 stops at LBJ High School.



- Select routes will receive minor schedule adjustments to improve on-time performance and reliability. These changes help accurately respond to evolving traffic conditions and construction to best serve customers.

CITY OF AUSTIN SEEKS INPUT TO BETTER NAVIGATE CENTRAL TEXAS ROADWAYS



The City of Austin is seeking input on how Central Texas area residents choose to travel. The Central Texas region is investing in better ways to get around, making travel safer, easier and less dependent on cars.

The City is conducting a **research study** to:

- Learn more about how people in the City of Austin and surrounding counties use transportation in their daily lives
- To better understand what makes Central Texas area residents decide to use or not use transportation options that are available.

The findings from this research will inform the development of a future marketing and outreach campaign and help the City foster a cultural shift toward more sustainable travel behaviors.

Feedback is anonymous and will help make Central Texas easier and safer to get around. Visit **speakupaustin.org** for more information. Funding for the survey comes from the **Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG)** awarded to the City in 2023.



RIDE OR DRIVE, YOU CAN SAVE A LIFE WITH THESE ROAD SAFETY TIPS



If you're a motorcyclist and enjoy summer rides in Austin, remember safety always comes first. Drive or ride, it's important to practice traffic safety among all road users. Motorcycles are considered vehicles and must obey all traffic laws, and drivers should treat them as they would other vehicles.

The Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) shares the tips below for drivers and motorcyclists to ensure safety on the road.

Tips for motorcyclists:

- Observe all traffic laws and always obey the speed limit.
- Wear a Department of Transportation-compliant helmet and other personal protective gear.
- Never ride distracted or drunk – you could kill or hurt yourself or someone very badly.
- Complete rider education courses and ride with a current motorcycle license.
- Drive and ride defensively.

Tips for drivers:

- When driving, watch for people on motorcycles and yield to them just as you would to other vehicles.



- If you see a person on a motorcycle, maintain a safe distance and allow plenty of space to allow them to maneuver or stop in an emergency, change speed or adjust lane positions.
- Never drive distracted or drunk – you could kill or seriously injure someone, including yourself.

DELTA AIR LINES ANNOUNCES NEW NONSTOP SERVICE TO DENVER, COLUMBUS AND KANSAS CITY



Delta Air Lines will launch three new nonstop routes at AUS starting this fall to Denver (DEN), Columbus, Ohio (CMH) and Kansas City, Missouri (MCI). Additionally, the airline will increase service on two of its existing routes, San Francisco (SFO) and Indianapolis (IND), providing even more options for customers traveling to and from Central Texas.

These new and expanded routes from Delta give travelers even more options for convenient, nonstop flights to popular destinations.

Also this fall, Delta will be establishing a permanent flight attendant base in Austin for 125 flight attendants.



AUS HOSTS ARTISTS, INFLUENCERS AND PLANE SPOTTERS



Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (AUS), in partnership with the City of Austin's Art in Public Places (AIPP) program, proudly hosted the inaugural Public Art Makers Expo on August 23, a first-of-its-kind event that brought together an estimated 125 artists, designers, and fabricators local to Austin and from across Texas.

The event created a space for creative collaboration and helped expand opportunities in the world of public art.

AUS alone is developing more than 20 public art installations as part of its ongoing Journey With AUS expansion program.

On August 20, AUS welcomed 16 Austin plane spotters with a tour of the airfield and a talk by a Southwest Airlines pilot.

Additionally, on August 21, AUS hosted its second annual Influencer Day. Airlines and 46 influencers networked at the event, and AUS shared details about its Journey With AUS expansion program.



ROSS ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE



Capital Delivery Services, Transportation Public Works, and Austin Water have begun upgrades and improvements to Ross Road beginning this summer. The City of Austin Ross Road project is located between SH-71 and Pearce Lane and construction activities are projected through Summer 2027.

The City of Austin will reconstruct Ross Road to a five-lane cross-section roadway (two thru lanes in each direction plus a two-way left turn lane and/or median) with pedestrian and bicycle facilities along the corridor as part of the 2020 Mobility Bond.

Project Background

The City of Austin performed a preliminary engineering study of Ross Road as part of the Local Mobility Program of the 2016 Mobility Bond. This study evaluated improvements to road conditions, missing sidewalks, curbs, and drainage elements to enhance mobility and safety for all road users. Detailed design and construction of the project were funded by the 2020 Mobility Bond.

Phase one of construction will occur in three steps:

- **Step one:** Crews begin the installation of temporary paving on the east side of Ross Road from the extraterritorial jurisdiction line (north of Gillwell Drive/Fort Lexington Drive) to Pearce Lane. Road signs and barricades will be present to direct vehicular traffic.



- **Step two:** Northbound and southbound traffic will be shifted to the east side of Ross Road on the newly constructed temporary pavement.
- **Step three:** The start of construction of the west (future southbound) side of Ross Road is anticipated to begin this month. Pedestrian traffic will be relocated to east side.



Traffic Impacts:

Phase one of construction on Ross Road North began early this month as part of the **Ross Road substandard street project**. Access to schools in this area of the Del Valle Independent School District (DVISD) will be maintained, but changes and traffic delays are anticipated in the area during construction.

The shoulder used for parking at Del Valle Elementary during pickup times will no longer be usable. Drivers will be able to enter the school on the north side of the building and exit on Thome Valley Drive. Roadway excavation/sidewalk removal and various utility construction are also expected.



AIRPORT BOULEVARD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



Construction on the Airport Boulevard corridor from 45th Street to 55th Street has been making steady progress, and we're excited to share the latest updates with you.

What's been happening

- Crews are currently building the shared-use path on the south side of Bruning Avenue, from Middle Fiskville Road (near the railroad tracks) to Airport Boulevard.
- Conduit installation across Airport at 55th Street for the new pedestrian hybrid beacon (PHB) is underway. Only work in the bike lane on the east side of Airport remains.

Coming up next

- Crews will complete the shared-use path between Bruning Avenue and 51st Street.
- Bruning Avenue will shift to one-way traffic for about a week and a half while crews repave the roadway between Airport Boulevard and Middle Fiskville Road.
- Once crews are cleared to begin the next phase of work near the rail tracks, traffic on Bruning Avenue between Airport Boulevard and Middle Fiskville Road will shift to one-way for a short period. This change will allow crews to repave Bruning Avenue between Airport Boulevard and Middle Fiskville Road, which is expected to take about a week and a half.
- Crews will install mountable curbs at Lamme's Candy (5330 Airport Blvd.) along the edge of the shared-use path.
- Crews will build a new bus stop in the coming weeks at the southwest corner of Airport Boulevard and Bruning Avenue.



Project status & timeline

- The project is now about **80% complete**.
- Substantial completion is currently estimated for **mid-October 2025**, though this date may shift depending on weather and other factors.

Once finished, this project will deliver upgrades to pedestrian signals at Bruning Avenue, 45th Street, and 51st Street, a new pedestrian hybrid beacon at 55th Street, improvements at Bruning Avenue in partnership with Transportation & Public Works, and expanded pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure throughout the corridor.

CITY OF AUSTIN SEEKING NEW BIDS FOR BURNET ROAD CORRIDOR C4 SECTION

TxDOT has directed Austin Capital Delivery Services (CDS) to cancel and re-bid the Burnet Road Corridor C4 project, U.S. 183 to Bright Verde Way.

CDS was informed that none of the submitted bids met TxDOT's bidder prequalification requirements for construction on state on-system roadway.

The CDS team will have another opportunity to bid the project - this time applying lessons learned to improve efficiency.

Construction is anticipated to begin in late 2025 or early 2026.

Community Resources

[Weekly Mobility Newsletter Sign Up](#)

[Upcoming Sidewalk Projects](#)

[Capital Projects Explorer](#)

[Street Preventative Maintenance](#)

[Austin Mobility Data and Performance Hub](#)

[Special Event Road Closures](#)

[Austin-Bergstrom International Airport](#)