



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Mike Rogers, Assistant City Manager *MR*
Ed Van Eenoo, Chief Financial Officer *W*

FROM: Jim Dale, Deputy Director of Transportation and Public Works *J. J. Dale*
Kimberly Olivares, Director of Financial Services/Deputy CFO *KSO*

DATE: May 19, 2025

SUBJECT: May 22, 2025 Cap and Stitch City Council Agenda Items (41, 42, and 43)

The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify City Council actions related to Items [41](#), [42](#), and [43](#) currently posted for action on the May 22, 2025 City Council agenda related to the Our Future 35 Cap and Stitch Program. As previously communicated, City Council must determine the City's funding commitment for the phase 1 roadway elements to be included in the 2026 Texas Department of Transportation's letting package no later than May 30, 2025.

As presented at the May 6, 2025 Work Session, based on debt capacity analysis and in the interest of addressing historical inequities, staff recommended funding roadway elements for the caps at Cesar Chavez to 4th Street and 11th to 12th Street for a total of \$49M. The total funding commitment will increase to \$55M due to the \$6M cost associated with the design. Of the \$55M in funding, \$41M is available from the State Infrastructure Bank loan and the remaining \$14M would be funded through a future bond issuance.

Items 41, 42, and 43 are currently posted with a placeholder dollar amount to fund "up to" the cost of roadway elements for all the caps. This posted language allows City Council to amend the placeholder language to reflect City Council's preferred funding commitment. Per legal guidance, staff provided an "up to" funding amount in each resolution to reflect the full range of funding options available, since an amendment from the dais can only reduce the total amount; it cannot increase the total amount.

Should you have question or concerns, please reach out to us at Jim.Dale@austintexas.gov or (512) 974-2488 or Kimberly.Olivares@austintexas.gov or (512) 974-2924.

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