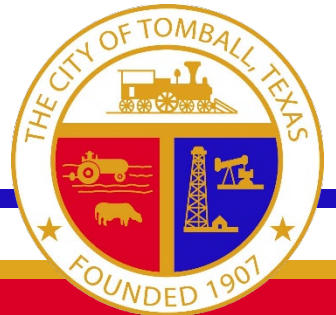




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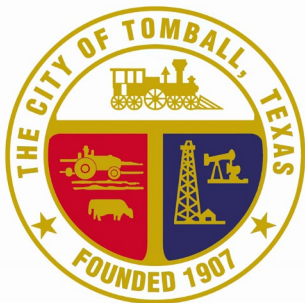


Bringing Back Main Street Downtown Tomball

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Our Downtown Vision

A connected, walkable destination anchored by historic Main Street and the Depot.

Completed

- Alley Improvement Phase I with downtown amenities
- Downtown Bollards

In Progress

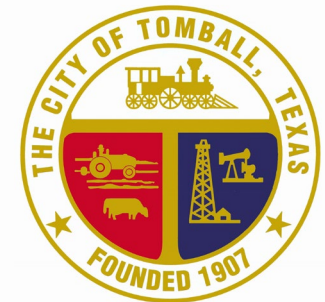
- North Cherry Drainage Design
- FM 2920 Reconstruction
- Cherry Street Pocket Park
- Wayfinding Signage
- Depot Antique Train

Looking Ahead

- Alley Improvements Phase II
- Depot destination enhancements (Collins Strong Pavilion)



Completed Projects



Alley Improvements Phase I

A foundation for a more walkable Old Town

Completed improvements have turned overlooked connections into usable downtown spaces.

Improvements completed in the 100 blocks north and south and 200 block north, included:

- Paving and utility coordination
- Improved circulation and pedestrian connections
- Cherry Pocket Park Restroom

Total Project Cost: \$1,693,113



Alley Amenities Phase I

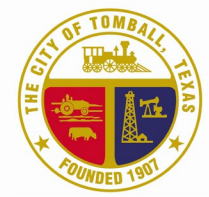
A foundation for a more walkable Old Town

Completed amenities create a more inviting pedestrian environment to support local businesses, gathering, and exploration.

Improvements completed in the 100 blocks north and south and 200 block north, included:

- Entry identity – gateway arches and illuminated entry markers
- Places to rest – masonry seating, planters, and landscape features
- Enhancements – electrical infrastructure and public-space improvements

Total Project Cost: \$509,984



Downtown Bollards

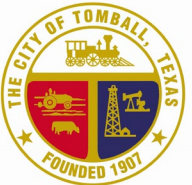
Safer Community Gatherings

Completed bollard installation in downtown area to strengthen pedestrian safety during downtown festivals and special events.

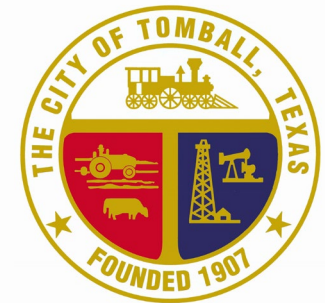
Improvements improve:

- Managing vehicle access during streets closures
- Provide physical protective barriers at event access points
- Supports a more comfortable environment for festival attendees
- Helps downtown host gatherings while protecting walkable spaces

Total Project Cost: \$150,000



In Progress Projects



North Cherry Street Drainage Improvements

Addressing recurring flooding

HUD Community Project Funding is supporting drainage design in the heart of Old Town.

Funding of \$2 million secured for engineering & design only.

Construction remains dependent on future funding.

Proposed improvements included:

- Improvements aim to reduce flooding in Old Town and along the Main Street area
- Sidewalk connections to support mobility

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$22 million



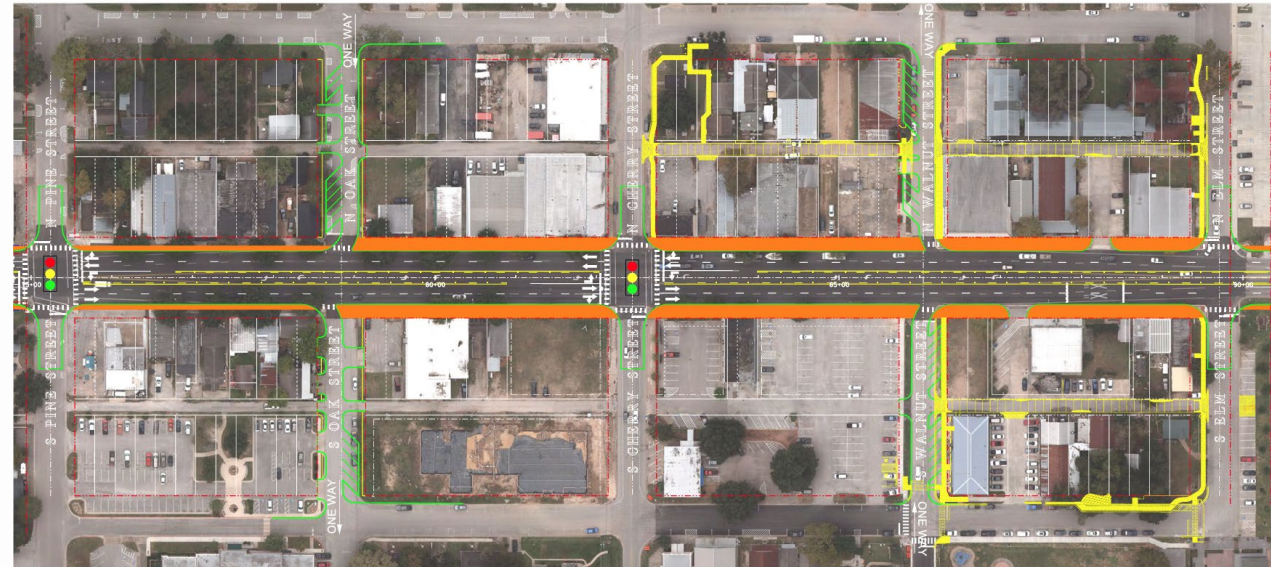
FM 2920 – Main Street Reconstruction

The City is collaborating with TxDOT to advance design for a safer, more welcoming corridor.

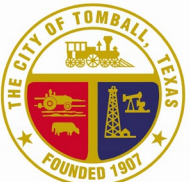
Proposed improvements included:

- Safer crossings (sidewalk connectivity)
- Corridor renewal (roadway and utility improvements)
- Downtown identity (lighting, landscaping, and streetscape)
- Planting trees at 6-to-12-inch caliper (120 trees total)

Construction scheduled to start January 2027.



Total Estimated Project Cost: \$32 million



Cherry Street Pocket Park

More Places to Gather

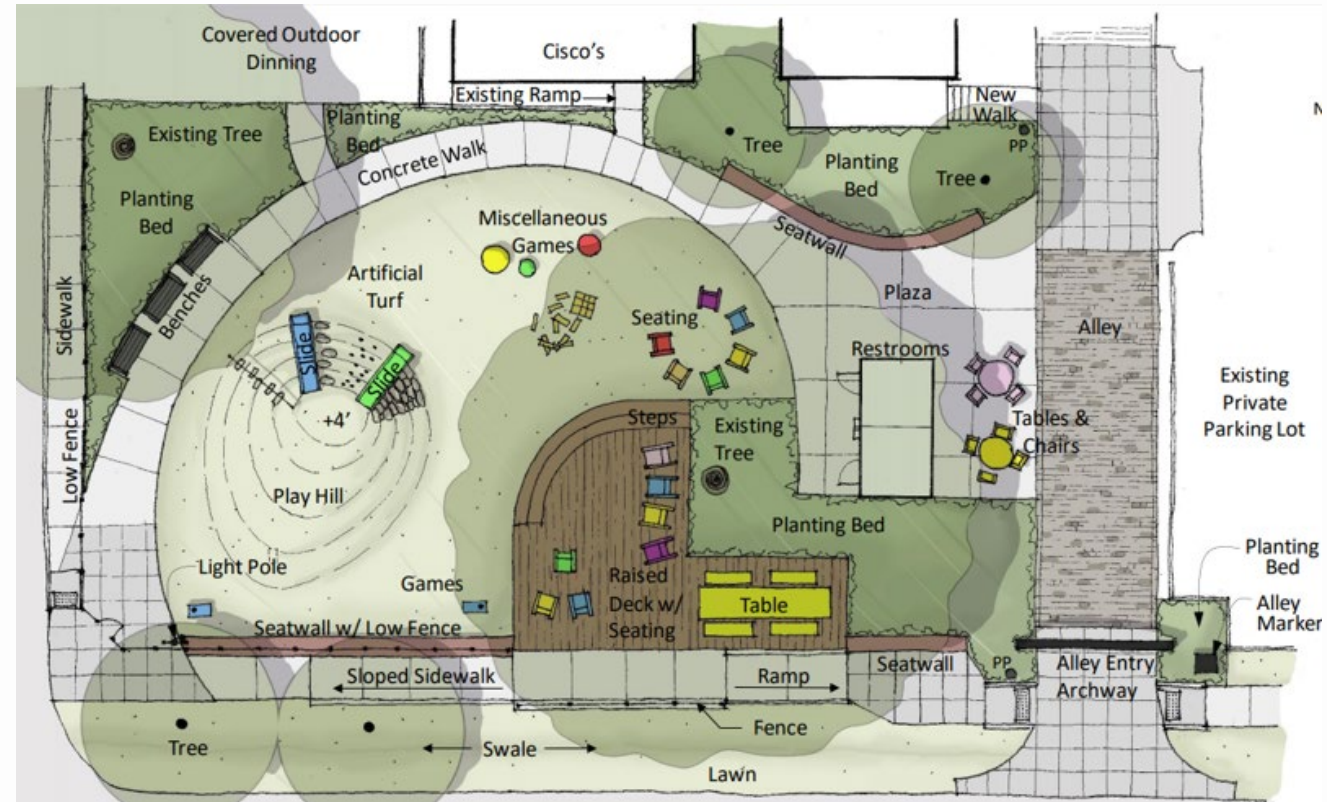
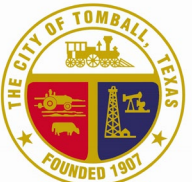
A neighborhood-scale gathering space that adds another inviting destination to historic Old Town.

Park elements to include:

- Restrooms – painted to bring light to the towns German heritage
- Outdoor chess
- Future turf ground
- Lighting, fencing, and play elements

Project is in planning with construction to be complete this year.

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$487,000



Wayfinding Signage

Find your way downtown

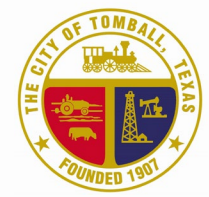
A coordinated signage system will make downtown Tomball easier to navigate and explore.

Project will be for design and installation of directional and information signs.

Guiding visitors to:

- Public parking
- Parks & local businesses
- Depot & event destinations

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$500,000



Antique Train Installation

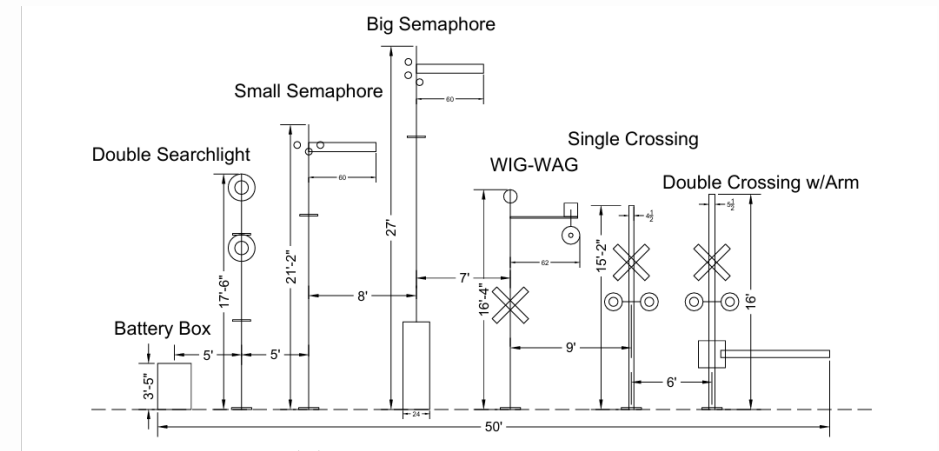
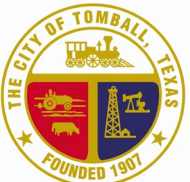
Donated antique railroad items will enrich the Depot experience and tell Tomball's unique story. Project includes electrical upgrades required for displays.

Donated items include:

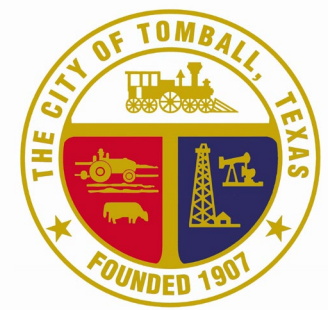
- Double-control-box signal
- Base-mast signal
- Wig-wag signal
- Dual searchlight signal
- Luggage cart

Installation is pending acceptance of donated items

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$102,055



Pending Projects



Alley Improvements Phase II

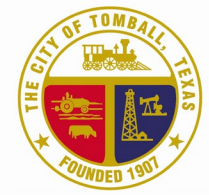
Phase II is proposed for the 300 blocks north and south, continuing improvements for walkability and access between downtown destinations.

A grant application has been submitted to extend the network of pedestrian-friendly downtown alleys.

Proposed improvements include:

- Paving and utility coordination
- Improved circulation and pedestrian connections
- Amenity package to include entry identity, lighting, and enhancements

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$1,900,000



Collins Strong Pavilion

Remember – Gather – Connect

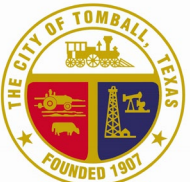
A planned memorial and gathering place at the Depot Plaza honoring the memory of five members of the Collins family

Partnership between:

- City of Tomball
- Tomball Economic Development Corporation
- Collins Family
- State of Texas

Project is in planning. A state grant provides a significant funding source.

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$5,400,000



Questions?

