

12. NORTH HOUSTON COMMUNITIES TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES PLAN UPDATE

BACKGROUND

In 2019, H-GAC's Transportation Policy Council (TPC) committed \$1.5 million to support community planning activities that will identify and prioritize transportation needs in communities adjacent to Segment 2 of the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) North Houston Highway Improvement Project (NHHIP) efforts, as well as \$50 million to implement the recommendations resulting from the planning efforts. Through a robust and comprehensive community-based public engagement process, the North Houston Communities Transportation Priorities Plan (NHCTPP) will work with the community and relevant agencies to identify transportation needs and priorities, including active transportation and transit infrastructure investment in these communities.

CURRENT SITUATION

The NHCTPP project is actively underway, with the consultant successfully contracted following approval by the Board of Directors and completion of project initiation activities. The project is planned as a 12-month effort and remains on schedule, with early analysis and coordination with agencies currently in progress to support subsequent phases of work. The second Steering Committee meeting was held on June 3, 2026, with participation from Harris County Precincts 1 and 2, HCTRA, METRO, the Harris County Engineer's Office, the City of Houston, and TxDOT. A public meeting was held on May 19, 2026, and focus group interviews have been ongoing since May 2026.

ACTION REQUESTED

Information only.

