

PRELIMINARY REPORT

I: Anagnost Road / East Anderson Road

APPLICANT: Windrose Surveying & Land Services, LLC

JURISDICTION: COH

PRECINCT: Harris County Pct. 1
COUNCIL DISTRICT: K

PROPOSAL:

Windrose Land Services – on behalf of CASCO Landfill – is requesting to realign Major Thoroughfare Anagnost Road between Almeda Genoa Road and Beltway 8 South. The applicant is also requesting to delete a segment of Major Collector East Anderson Road between Hooper Road and Anagnost Road in the Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (MTFP).

APPLICANT’S JUSTIFICATION and HISTORY:

CASCO Landfill property is an active landfill site located west of State Highway 288 and north of Beltway 8 South. Anagnost Road is a north/south Major Thoroughfare and East Anderson Road is an east/west Major Collector. Both Anagnost Road and East Anderson Road are corridors that will require widening, and Anagnost Road south of East Anderson Road, north of Beltway 8 South, has not been improved. The applicant contends that the landfill operation makes it infeasible to maintain the current alignment of the two corridors.

The applicant states that the current alignment of Anagnost Road as proposed on the MTFP traverses the active landfill, the western portion of the applicant’s property, and interferes with current and future operations. The applicant states that the subject property began as a City of Houston landfill in the early 1970’s until the applicant purchased the site and operated it under a Harris County disposal permit. In 1981, the applicant states that the site was converted from the Harris County permit to a state permit with the Texas Department of Health, which included all the currently permitted land, and was classified as a Type IV landfill (brush, construction-demolition waste, and rubbish).

The applicant states that the surrounding parcels and underdeveloped rights-of-way are the site of illegal dumping and criminal activity, which often consist of threats to safety of the applicant’s landfill operations and personnel. The applicant asserts that further construction of a public right-of-way (ROW), would be prohibitively expensive and pose serious safety issues for landfill employees, as well as through traffic.

The applicant states that Anagnost Road was previously named Fannin Road, which was established as a Major Thoroughfare in the MTFP in 1963. The roadway was renamed to Anagnost Road in 2004. Anderson Road was created as a proposed Major Collector on the MTFP in 1997. The proposed Major Collector was removed from the 2003 MTFP. In 2011, the City of Houston amended its MTFP to include Anderson Road as a Major Collector to be widened. Since then, the alignment and street classification for both Anagnost Road and Anderson Road have not been changed.

The applicant contends that the integrity of the MTFP grid will be maintained, and that realignment of the proposed Major Thoroughfare and the deletion of a segment of the Major Collector will not decrease traffic circulation, as Anagnost Road will still be a major north/south road between Almeda Genoa Road and Beltway 8 South. Moreover, the applicant states that East Anderson Road is not planned to continue east of Anagnost Road on the MTFP, therefore deleting the segment of the corridor will keep its intersection with the proposed realignment of Anagnost Road.

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The applicant states further that the proposed MTFP amendment request is the first step in a multi-phase strategy to limit access to the landfill site and improve public safety, as the applicant plans to pursue abandonment of the existing segment of Major Collector East Anderson Road through the Joint Referral Committee Process.

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