

TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FORM

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NAME: Marc Levesque et al CH2SD

ADDRESS: Chapel Hill 7SD Mt Pleasant

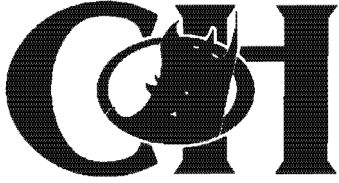
Please be specific and state the nature of the subject matter of the item (or items) you wish to address.

Request to secure millings from TX Dept of Transportation for a project to improve traffic flow

Do you wish to make an inquiry under section 551.042 of the Open Meetings Act?

Signature:  Date: 9-10-18

NOTE: THIS PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FORM MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE COUNTY CLERK PRIOR TO THE TIME THAT THE AGENDA ITEM (OR ITEMS) YOU WISH TO ADDRESS ARE DISCUSSED BEFORE THE COURT.



Marc Levesque
Superintendent

Chapel Hill Independent School District

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September 6, 2018

The Honorable Brian P. Lee
County Judge, Titus County
100 West 1st Street, Suite 200
Mount Pleasant, Texas 75455

Judge Lee,

Thank you for taking the time, along with Commissioner Jimmy Parker and County Engineer Rodger Ledbetter in August. The discussion regarding our bus barn / lot relocation project was extremely helpful and we are hopeful for a partnership with the Titus County that will benefit our community. We are providing this letter and the attached documents for your review.

This letter is to request Titus County assist Chapel Hill Independent School District in securing millings from the Texas Department of Transportation for a project that will improved traffic flow in and around the school. The project will relocate our existing bus barn / lot from the North side of our campus with buses exiting along CR 4660 onto FM 1735 and then onto CR 4825 to reach the bus loading area on the South side of our campus. The new location of the bus barn will be adjacent to the curve on CR 4825 and eventually include bus routing interior to the campus. This improvement will decrease traffic and improve safety for students on our buses and other drivers on both these county roads and on FM 1735.

The relocated bus barn / lot construction would be to 6" compacted of millings across this area for a total of 1,800 yards of material. We are asking for a letter from Titus County to TxDOT to request these millings on our behalf, as TxDOT will only release the material through a county entity. Our engineer, David Gillespie, has been assured by TxDOT that this would in no way reduce the County's allotment.

The second phase of this project would add an interior drive on the campus from the relocated bus barn / lot to the bus pick-up area to further reduce traffic and improve safety on CR 4825. The interior drive will also be a 6" compacted construction for a total of 1,800 yards of material. This second phase could be done as soon as sufficient millings are available from TxDOT.

Additionally, Chapel Hill ISD offers the opportunity to further partner through an interlocal agreement with Titus County for the purpose of hauling the material. This could be done on an as available basis for labor and vehicles. Depending on the agreement reached for cost recovery from the District to the County, the County could realize budgetary savings and cost avoidance.

A sample letter from the County to TxDOT requesting the millings is attached for your review along with a map showing the proposed projects. Please provide these materials to the Commissioner's Court. We look forward to presenting this proposal at the Court on Monday, September 10, 2018. Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

Marc Levesque
Superintendent

September 10, 2018

Michael C. Anderson
District Engineer
Texas Department of Transportation, Atlanta District
701 East Main Street
Athens, Texas 75551

Mr. Anderson,

This letter is to request excess pavement millings from the Texas Department of Transportation for a local project to improve traffic and safety along FM 1735 and adjacent county roads. Titus County is partnering with Chapel Hill Independent School District to assist in the relocation of their bus barn / lot. Currently, the lot is located on the North side of their campus, which is located on CR 4660. Buses proceed from this lot along CR 4660 onto FM 1735 and then onto CR 4825 to reach a bus loading area located adjacent to CR4825. This project would relocate the bus barn / lot adjacent to CR 4825 and eventually include an interior drive on the campus to further reduce the traffic and improve safety on CR 4825.

The relocated bus barn / lot construction would be to 6" compacted of millings across this area for a total of 1,800 yards of material. The second phase of this project would add an interior drive on the campus from the relocated bus barn / lot to the bus pick-up area to further reduce traffic on CR 4825. The new interior drive will also be a 6" compacted construction for a total of 1,800 yards of material. This second phase could be done as soon as sufficient millings are available from TxDOT.

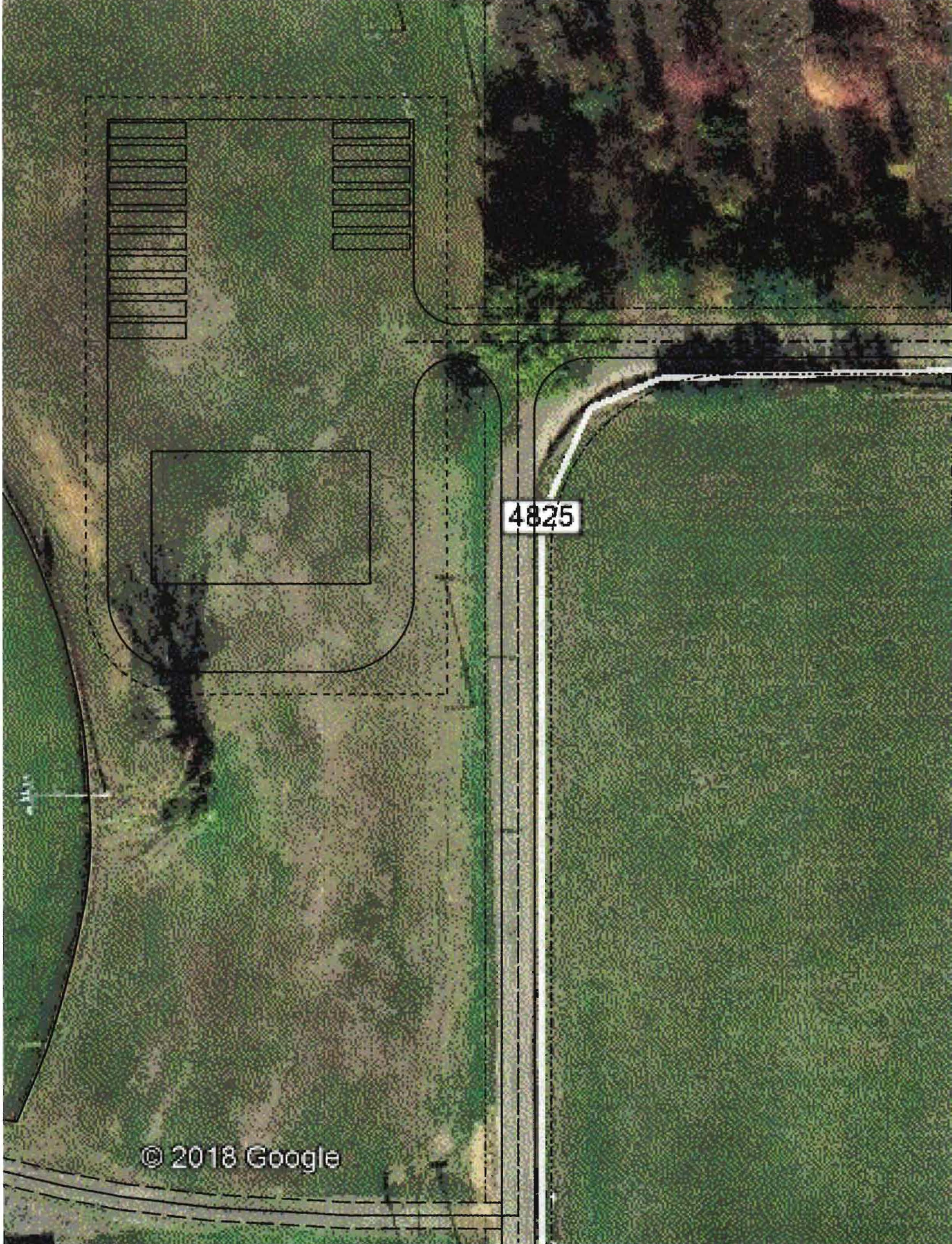
Through Chapel Hill ISD's Engineer, we are informed that this request and provision would not reduce our other potential allotment. The County is discussing with school the potential of assisting with hauling of the material, but otherwise a third party contractor would handle removal and hauling of the material to the school. A similar project was recently completed at Avinger ISD in cooperation with Cass County.

The use of excess millings from TxDOT projects is an invaluable provision of reclaimed materials that greatly reduces the cost of County and related projects. Without such provision, the improvement of roadways for safe and efficient travel would be greatly reduced. We are thankful for this partnership with TxDOT and believe our partnership with Chapel Hill ISD for this purpose conforms to this intent.

We have attached the request from Chapel Hill to Titus County, along with a map showing the proposed projects. Thank you for your time and assistance in this matter. If we can provide any further information or clarification, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Brian P. Lee
County Judge



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