

# **An Amendment to the License Agreement for the Redding Trail**

Regular Session

July 14, 2020

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# Oncor Transmission Tower Replacement

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## Scope

- Rebuild 1.3-mile section of the Carrollton East – Renner SW/ Northhaven SW 138 kV line.
- Rebuild will start at the Farmers Branch Gillis structure.
- Rebuild will end at the last structure which is where the two circuits split to Renner and Northhaven.

## Cities Impacted:

- Carrollton
- Farmers Branch
- Addison (Redding Trail and Redding Trail Dog Park Corridor)



Example of Future Towers

In January 2020 Council was presented an overview of Oncor's tower replacement project that would take place within the Redding Trail and Redding Trail Dog Park Corridor.

The following items were discussed with Council.

- Oncor originally intended to bring the corridor into closer compliance with their current Hike, Bike and Trail Guidelines. This would have required the removal of ornamental trees, landscaping, irrigation, lighting and site elements located along the Redding Trail.
- Oncor and Town staff developed a compromise which would limit removal of vegetation to directly around towers and under transmission lines.
- Staff proposed that existing vegetation along the alley behind Dome Dr. be removed to allow new shrubs to be planted that would not encroach the alley or overhead utility lines.

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## Council Requested:

- Update the current license agreement to reflect exceptions that have been allowed. Oncor has provided an amendment to the license agreement which adds "Exhibit C" and identifies the allowed exceptions.
- Provide clear direction, documenting what is agreed upon in a manner that all parties have a clear understanding and ability to implement the project to the expectations that have been set. Representatives of the Town and Oncor agree to work from the direction identified on the following slides.

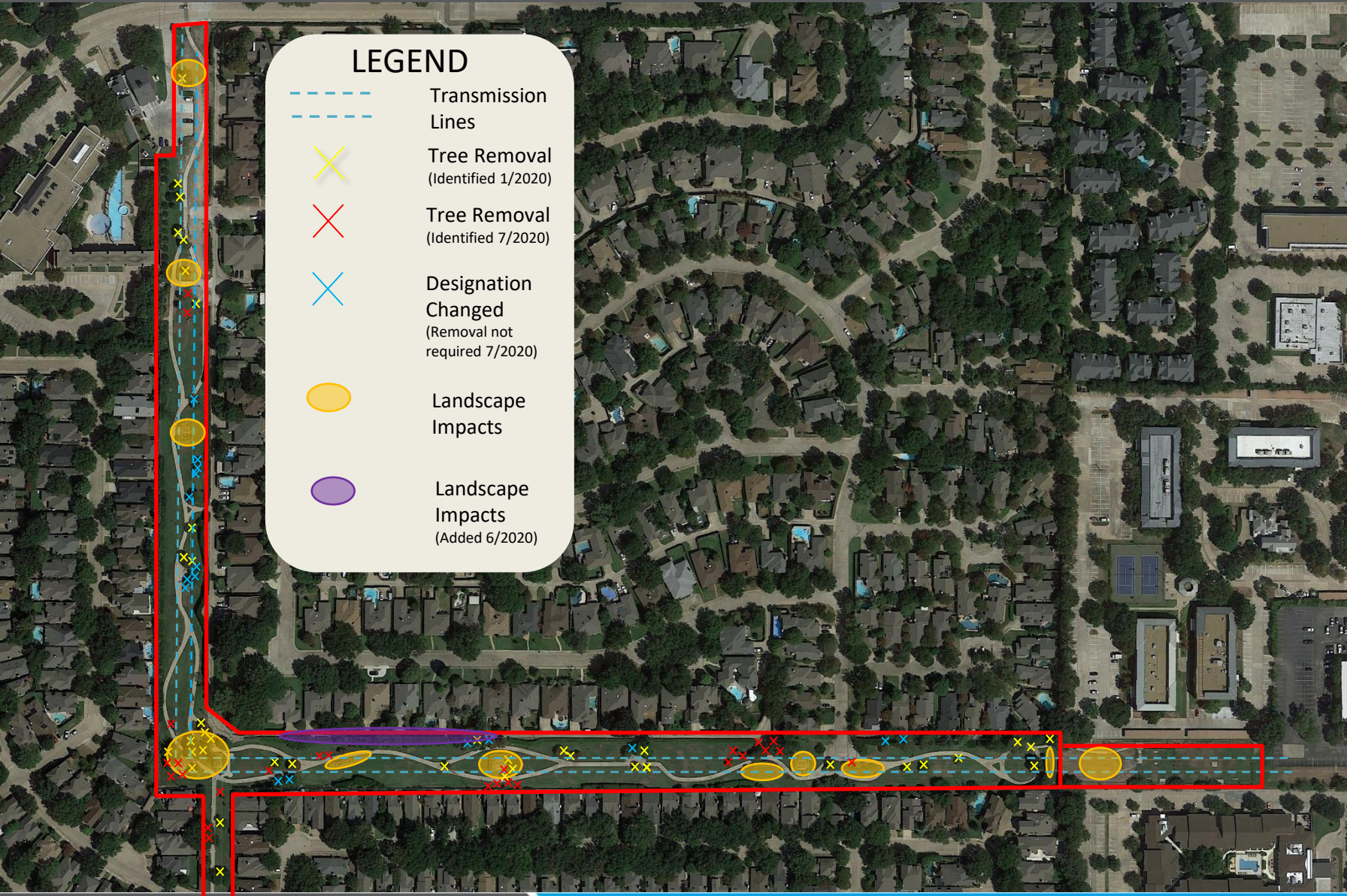
## Oncor Will:

- Limit tree removal to 59 ornamental trees that are directly around the towers and under the transmission lines, exception as described in "Exhibit C", line 21.
- Allow replacement of ornamental trees removed with ornamental trees that do not exceed 15' in height within Oncor approved locations, per exception as described in "Exhibit C", line 21.
- Only remove shrubs around the base of the towers and shrubs taller than 4' along the alley behind Dome Dr., per exception as described in "Exhibit C", line 21.
- Allow seating areas to remain, per exception listed in "Exhibit C", line 20.
- Allow existing spray irrigation to remain, per exception listed in "Exhibit C", line 21.
- Allow existing lighting to remain, per exception defined in "Exhibit C", line 8.
- Repair turf damaged during construction with sod.
- Repair any damage made to the irrigation system.
- Work with Town staff to allow maintenance of the area during construction.
- Construct a temporary fence to leave half of the dog park open for use during construction.
- Prune shrubs along park boundaries to 10' tall.
- Prune remaining ornamental trees to 15' tall.
- Limit removal of berms to two areas.

## Addison Will:

- Tag all trees to clearly identify which trees are approved for removal so all parties are in agreement.
- Temporarily remove light poles, signage and drinking fountains in the path of construction but will re-install them once construction is complete.
- Maintain the height of ornamental trees and shrubs to 15', per exception listed in "Exhibit C", line 21.
- Replant ornamental trees and shrubs at a later date, per exception listed in "Exhibit C", line 21.
- Remove the Redding Trail Plaque and masonry plaque and replace at a later date.

# Landscape Impacts



This Map was presented to Council in January and has been updated to reflect modifications made as a result of that discussion.

# Tree Survey

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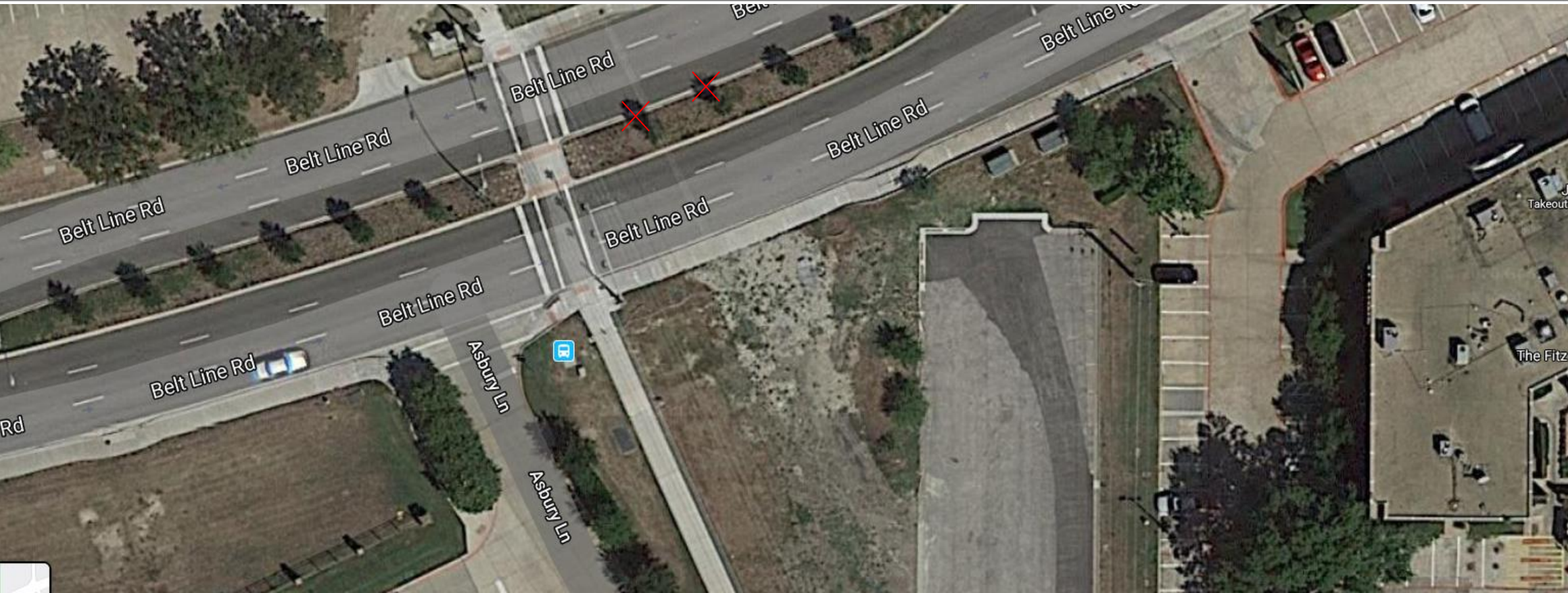
This Map was prepared from the Town's GIS Tree Survey and references field tags and numbers located on each tree. Town staff and Oncor staff will use this to ensure all tree removals are agreed upon





# Additional Tree Removal – Belt Line Rd.

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# Redding Trail Extension

**The license agreement for the Redding Trail Dog Park will be amended to include and extension of the Trail to Midway Road. Steps to complete this task include:**

- Prepare a Topographic Survey of the area. (Complete)
- Prepare 50% review plans. (30% Complete)
- Oncor review the plans and provide comments.
- Staff to address Oncor's comments.
- A modification to the Redding Trail Dog Park license agreement will be brought to Council for consideration.

# Tower Replacement Schedule

## **July 13 - 20: Site Furnishing Removal**

- Addison Park crews remove pedestrian light poles, fountains and signs from the corridor.

## **July 15 - 31: Vegetation Removal and Management**

- The trail will be closed during daytime work hours and will be open during the evening hours.
- Addison parks crews will install a vegetative screen along a small portion of the alley behind Dome Dr.

## **August 3 - 15: Access Work**

- The Redding Trail Dog Park will be closed for installation of temporary fencing. Once the fencing is installed half of the dog park will be open for use.
- Oncor will perform ROW access work.
- The trail will be closed during daytime work hours and will be open during evening hours.

## **August 17 - October 30: Install foundations & Line Construction**

- A reduced portion of the Redding Trail Dog Park will open for use. Periodic closures for construction may be required.
- The trail will be closed to the public.

## **November 1 - 30: Clean-up & Restoration**

- Oncor will clean-up and repair damage to the landscape.
- Addison parks crews will install the pedestrian light poles, site furnishings, signage and replacement vegetation.
- Trail will re-open to the public and Dog Park use will expand to full use of the park.

# Questions

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