



# GILMER STREET RAILROAD CROSSING RECONSTRUCTION

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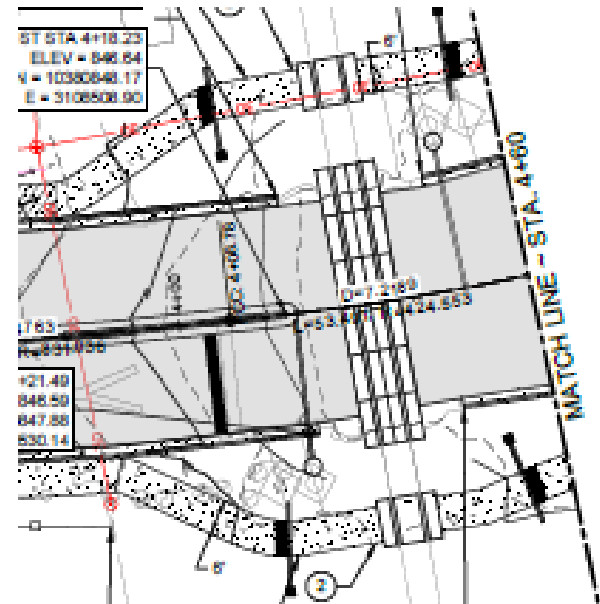
# Background

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- ❑ The Gilmer Street Reconstruction Project was included in the CO Bond in FY 2022 and in the 2022 Capital Improvement Plan.
- ❑ The project includes full replacement of the roadway between Veterans Memorial Blvd and Rancier Road. This limit crosses the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway (BNSF) Right-of-Way and tracks.
- ❑ To perform any replacement at and near the railway, a Grade Crossing Construction and Maintenance Agreement needs to be executed with BNSF.
- ❑ BNSF will perform all railroad related construction within their Right-of-Way

# Background

- ❑ The agreement includes a 80/20 split in total design and construction costs within the BNSF Right-of-Way. The total estimated cost is \$905,192.00, with the City being responsible for 80% of the cost or \$724,151.00.
- ❑ Improvements include improved crossing panels along the tracks crossing the roadway, sidewalk panels, new gates for both the roadway and sidewalks, and interconnectivity to the adjacent crossings.
- ❑ The improvements match the needed quiet zone improvements for the Gilmer Street crossing.



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## Railroad Crossing

# Alternatives Considered

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The City Council has two (2) alternatives. The Council may:

- ❑ Do not approve entering the agreement with BNSF. Doing so will prevent needed improvements to the roadway and crossing as part of the Gilmer Street Reconstruction Project.
- ❑ Authorize the City Manager to enter the agreement with BNSF to construct the railroad crossing improvements within the Gilmer Street Reconstruction Project.

# Recommendation

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- Staff recommends the council authorize the City Manager to enter the agreement with BNSF to construct the railroad crossing improvements within the Gilmer Street Reconstruction Project.