

RESOLUTION 2022-07

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF RUSSEL ROAD

WHEREAS, the Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (RGVMPO), is the designated agency for Transportation Planning in the Transportation Management Area; and

WHEREAS, the RGVMPO is required to have a systematic way to gather citizen input on transportation issues; and

WHEREAS, these procedures have been duly discussed and gone through the required public comment period; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Board agreed by a majority vote to approve the Functional Classification of Russel Road.

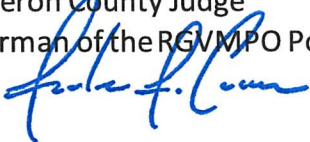
APPROVAL OF Functional Classification Resolution Amendment

Entity	Road Name	CSJ	Current Classification	From	To	Length	New Classification
Hidalgo County PCT 4	Russel Road	0921-02-362	Not Classified	FM 2220 (Ware Road)	Rooth Road	1	Urban Minor Collector

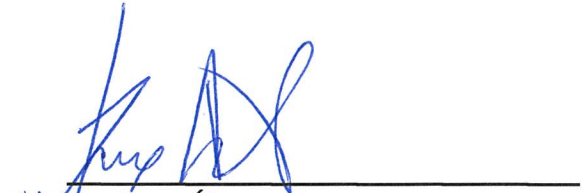
PASSED AND APPROVED on this 30th day of March 2022.



The Honorable Eddie Trevino
Cameron County Judge
Chairman of the RGVMPO Policy Board



Andrew A. Canon
RGV MPO Executive Director

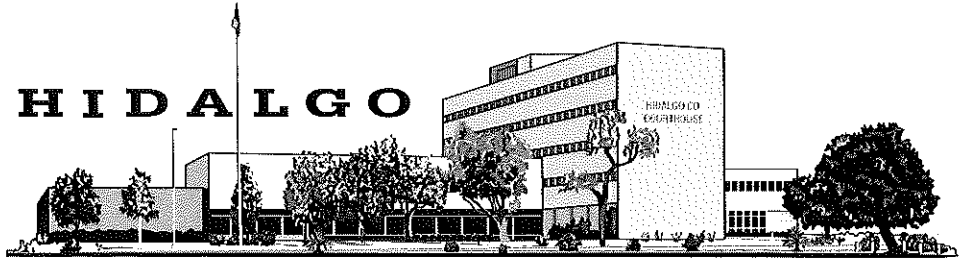


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COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PCT. No. 4

February 11, 2022

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Executive Director
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Weslaco, Texas 78596

**RE: Russell Road Project
From FM 2220 (Ware Road) to Rooth Road (1.0 mile)
Hidalgo County, Texas
CSJ: 0921-02-362**

Dear Mr. Canon:

Hidalgo County Precinct #4 would like to formally request the Functional Classification (FC) of the subject project as a minor collector from the RGVMPPO and subsequently the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

Justification

The construction of the Tres Lagos community has created an increase in development within Hidalgo County and the City of McAllen. The community added parks, residences, schools, and commercial areas. The railroad relocation indirectly provided a new corridor through the city. East-west access to the facility requires traffic to stop at FM 2220 (Ware Rd.) and turn either north to access FM 1925 or south to access Russell Road.

The scope of the Russell Road project is to provide a four-lane urban roadway on new location. The project would provide a direct connection to Tres Lagos development, two major commuter roadways (FM 2220 and Rooth Road), and connect existing residential neighborhoods, schools, parks, and commercial developments in the area. The purpose of the project is to improve safety, connectivity, and mobility within the city of McAllen, Edinburg, and Hidalgo County.

The Hidalgo County Precinct #4 has begun developing the preliminary engineering and environmental documents; however, to proceed with project development, the project must be functionally classified. The project is listed in RGVMPPO Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) in fiscal year (FY) 2024. It is anticipated to be let in 2024 and open to traffic in 2026.

The completion of this segment would connect two major collectors (FM 2220 and Rooth Road). An interlocal agreement is currently under development with Hidalgo County and the City of McAllen.

Hidalgo County Precinct #4 respectfully requests that the Russell Road project be functionally classified as a Minor Collector roadway.

The County has provided the following exhibits to support the FC of the subject roadway:

- Attachment A – Location Map

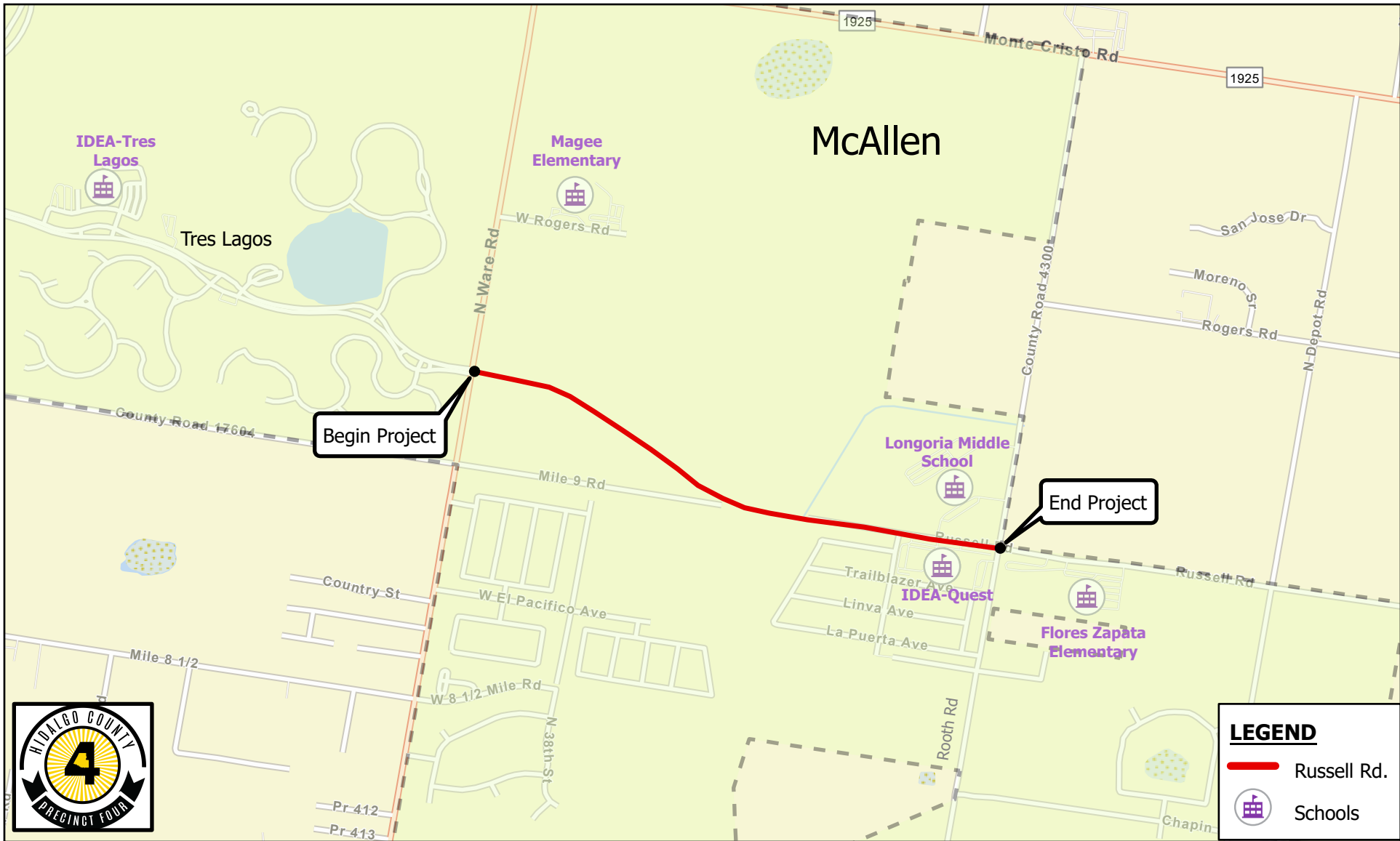
If you need any additional information or have any questions, please contact me at (956) 383-3112.

Sincerely,



Commissioner Ellie Torres
Hidalgo County Precinct #4

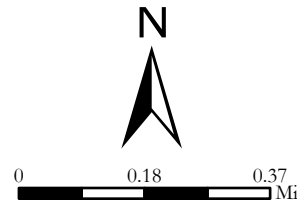
cc. Eddie Trevino, RGVMPPO Chairman, Cameron County Judge
Pete Alvarez, P.E., TxDOT Pharr District Engineer
Melba Schaus, P.E., TxDOT Planning Director
Roy Rodriguez, P.E., City Manager, City of McAllen
Eduardo Mendoza, P.E., Director of Engineering, City of McAllen



Russell Road Location Map

From FM 2220 (Ware Rd.) to Rooth Road (1.0 mi)

2022



Coordinate System: GCS WGS 1984 Texas Parks & Wildlife, CONANP, Esri, HERE, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, EPA, NPS, Esri Community Maps Contributors, Texas Parks & Wildlife, CONANP, Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc., METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, US Census Bureau, USDA