# San Pedro Creek Improvements Project

### Presentation to: San Antonio City Council





#### April 9, 2014

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### Background

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- In 2012 Bexar County authorizes \$700,000 to complete a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER)
  - PER completed in May 2013 by Pape-Dawson Muñoz Team. San Antonio River Authority served as project and contract manager.
- In 2012, Bexar County, City of San Antonio, and San Antonio River Authority execute Letter Agreement for interagency coordination on San Pedro Creek Improvements Project
- In December 2013 Bexar County approves design budget & HDR led design team, including a SMWBE participation at 33.88%
- In February 2014, Commissioners Court approves Cooperative Agreement with San Antonio River Authority authorizing initiation of Final Design Phase

## **Cooperative Agreement**

- Agreement between Bexar County and the San Antonio River Authority for design services only
- Authorizes \$15.9 million for design services, project management and real estate administrative services
- Establishes roles and responsibilities for San Antonio River Authority and Bexar County

## Letter Agreement

- Agreement between Bexar County, City of San Antonio, and the San Antonio River Authority
- Promotes a coordinated, integrated approach to the project development among the public agencies
- Establishes roles and responsibilities, including participation by the City Manager on the Executive Committee

## **Executive Committee**

- Provides executive management oversight for the project
- Committee Representatives:

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- Bexar County: County Manager David Smith
- City of San Antonio: City Manager/Designee Lori Houston, Director Center City Development
- San Antonio River Authority: General Manager Suzanne Scott
- Committee meets monthly to discuss the status of the project, addresses budget, schedule, and policy issues

### **Project Limits**

- North Creek Tunnel Inlet
  - IH 35 / W. Quincy St.
- South Apache/Alazan Creeks Confluence
  - IH 35 / Near Stockyards
- Approximately 2 miles



### Connections

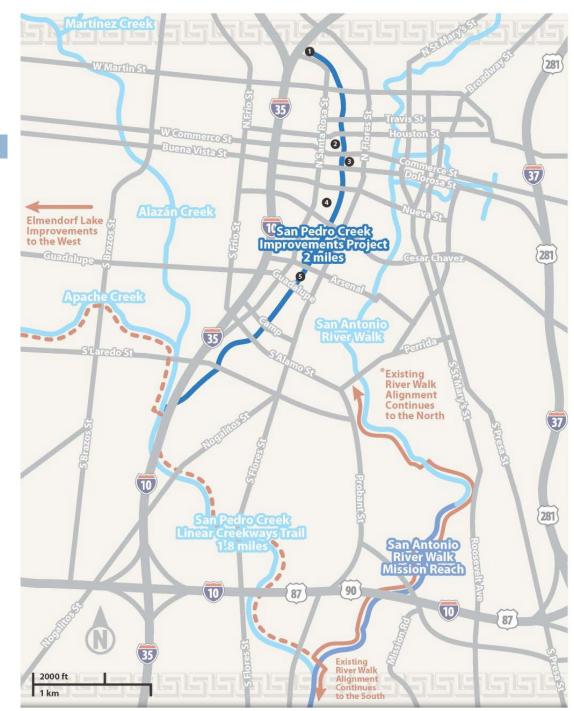
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#### Future Apache Creekway Linear Trail

- Elmendorf Lake Park
- Our Lady of the Lake University
- San Antonio River

#### San Antonio River Mission Reach

- Downtown
- Brackenridge Park
- Mission Espada



### San Pedro Creek Improvements

#### Flood Control

- Study found FEMA flood plain maps along San Pedro Creek were miscalculated
- 41.8 acres in the heart of downtown San Antonio and 38 adjacent structures will be removed from the 100-year flood plain

#### Cultural & Historical Significance

 Project will highlight the Creek's historic role in development of Bexar County in the 1700s

#### Quality of Life

 Replaces network of unsightly drainage with about 22 acres of parkland, hiking and biking trails, and other recreation amenities

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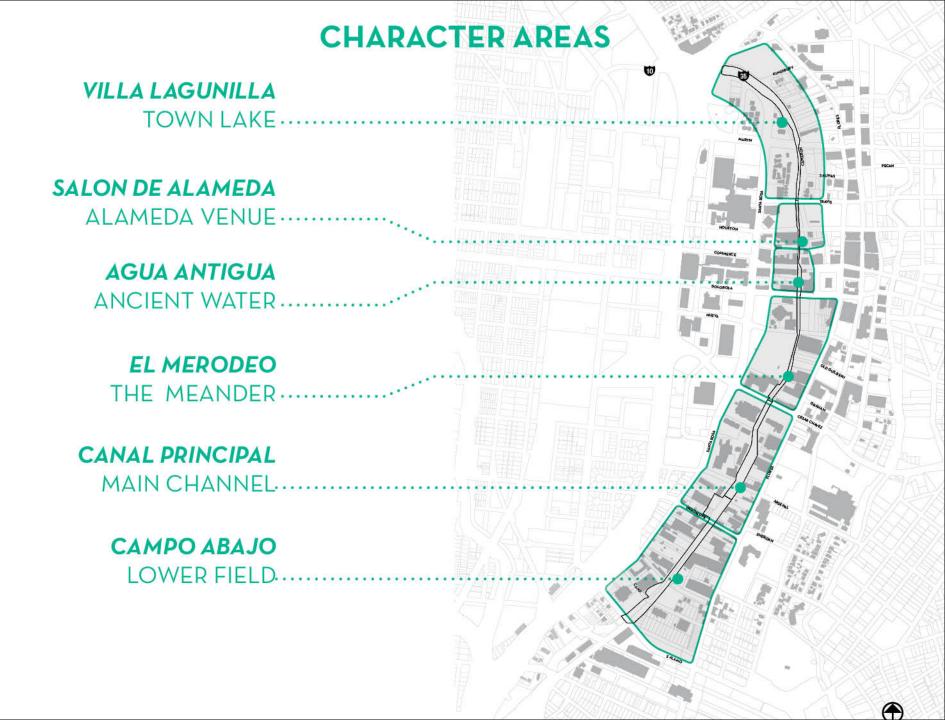
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#### Economic Development

- Removal of structures and properties from flood plain will enhance land use opportunities
- Transformation of the creek will catalyze adjacent development opportunities

#### Project Cost

- Current estimated cost is \$175 million, County approved \$125 million in funding;
- Public and private partnerships will be needed to fully-fund project



### **Town Lake** (Villa Lagunilla)





Northernmost reach offering small town lake as neighborhood park

### Alameda Venue (Salon De Alameda)



 Anchored by the Alameda Theatre, the creek provides spaces for both programmed and spontaneous music performances

### Ancient Water (Agua Antigua)



 Runs through the Historic City Center adjacent to the Spanish Governor's Palace

### The Meander (El Merodeo)



- Falls within the original 1731 Villa de San Fernando Townsite
- Navarro House Historic Site on south bank

### Main Channel (Canal Principal)



- Daylights San Pedro Creek through the former MKT Railroad Yard
- Recognizes and celebrates the culvert system

#### Lower Field (Campo Abajo)





 Design builds upon the character of this emerging art district by adding creatively inspired public gathering place for this growing urban residential neighborhood

# **Economic Impact Key Findings**

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  - Improvements will create synergy with the River Walk
  - Development patterns vary
  - Economic effects may be similar to the Museum Reach
  - Removing properties from flood plain will catalyze development and enhance property values
  - Area would likely see new housing development and population growth
  - Economic and fiscal impacts will be substantial

#### **Economic Impacts** (Including Multiplier Effects)

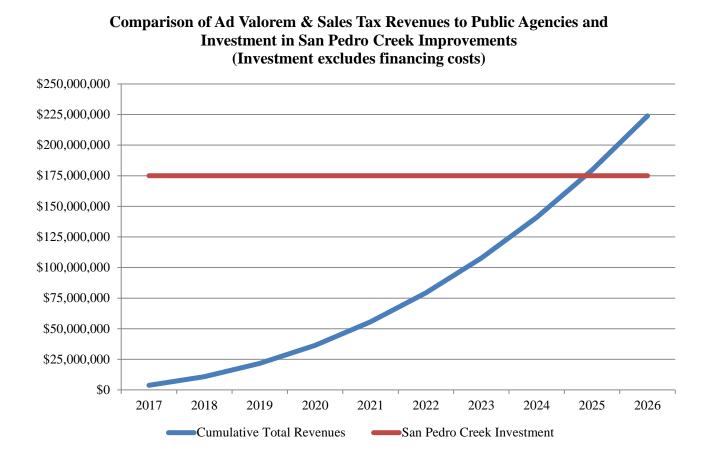
Economic Impact (2013 Dollars)	<b>Projected Economic Range</b>		
<b>Business Operations (Annual)</b>			
Employment	848	—	1,428
Income	\$40,817,793	_	\$67,946,063
Output	\$120,816,236	_	\$200,565,276
Construction (10 Year Total)			
Employment	7,017	—	12,186
Income	\$355,203,768	_	\$610,951,843
Output	\$895,661,628	_	\$1,504,492,181

#### Fiscal Impacts Total Ad Valorem Tax Revenues New Development: 2017-2026 (2013 Dollars)

Taxing Entity	Projected Tax Rate Range Per \$100
San Antonio ISD	\$74,876,976 – \$114,649,131
Road and Flood	\$1,692,067 – \$2,590,837
San Antonio River Authority	\$958,024 – \$1,466,894
Alamo Colleges	\$8,226,209 - \$12,595,697
University Health System	\$15,235,446 - \$23,328,007
Bexar County	\$16,335,877 – \$25,012,951
City of San Antonio	\$31,200,027 - \$47,772,442
Total:	\$148,524,625 - \$227,415,959

Sales Tax Revenues (2013 Dollars)					
Revenues from Construction (10 Year Total):	\$2,069,251 -	\$3,372,541			
Revenues from Business Operations (Annual):	\$271,649 -	\$426,631			

#### Breakeven Across All Public Agencies (Occurs in About 7 – 8 Years)



Assumes scenario B1 development pattern.

# **Design Team**

#### HDR Engineering – Prime Consultant

- Muñoz & Company Lead Architect of Record
- Pape-Dawson Engineering Lead Civil Design Engineer
- Alamo Architects Associate Architects
- Ford, Powell, & Carson Architects Associate Architects
- SARA serving as Contract and Project Manager including Public Participation and Stakeholder Involvement

### **Project Schedule and Milestones**

40% Preliminary Design Feb 2015
70% Design Documents Aug 2015
90% Design Documents Jan 2016
Design Complete Mar 2016
Construction Completion May 2018

### San Pedro Creek Subcommittee

#### **Co-Chairs** Michael Cortez and Jerry Geyer

#### Cultural and Downtown Resources

- Bexar County Historical Commission
- San Antonio Conservation Society
- Alamada Theater
- Centro Partnership

#### Neighborhood

- Lone Star Neighborhood Association
- Five Points

# San Pedro Creek Subcommittee (continued)

#### Property Owners

- San Antonio Independent School District
- The Vistana
- Marti's
- General Services Administration
- Marriott Courtyard
- Saldana & Associates
- Judson Lofts

# **Public Involvement**

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- San Antonio River Authority will coordinate and implement an extensive public involvement process
- Meeting notices will be widely distributed, including land owners
- Website and Social Media will be actively used
- Public meetings will be scheduled at project milestones