### Exhibit 4

#### TxDOT Project Selection Process

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<td>Identify a Need</td>
<td>Needs are identified through a variety of sources at the community, state or federal level. TxDOT also operates a variety of performance monitoring programs to support this process. This step offers the first opportunity for public input into a potential new project.</td>
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<td>Needs Assessment</td>
<td>TxDOT conducts further analyses related to safety, congestion and other needs. A preliminary project concept is developed to identify next steps for project development, including a preliminary funding strategy.</td>
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<td>Advanced Planning</td>
<td>Project development may range from a few months for simple projects to several years for more complex projects. During this stage, TxDOT’s funding strategy continues to be refined as needed.</td>
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| Environmental & Design Studies            | Advanced Planning
For large, complex, and new-location projects, TxDOT conducts additional planning studies. This level of study is necessary to explore a wide variety of alternatives prior to performing more detailed, expensive analysis. Public involvement often plays a key role. |
| Detailed Design, Right of Way, Utilities, Other Preparations | Environmental & Design Studies
Many types of projects require preliminary design and examination of environmental and community impacts. For many projects, this stage involves a high level of public engagement. |
| Construction                              | Detailed Design, Right of Way, Utilities and Other Preparations
At this stage, the project is fairly well defined and details of project construction are being addressed, including acquiring rights of way, moving utilities and other construction preparation. |
| Construction                              | Construction
To move forward to construction, a project must be fully defined and designed and all funding for construction identified. For most projects, public information about construction activities is critical to ensure public safety and to address construction-related traffic needs. |

**General timing**
- 1 week - 1 year
- 1-2 years
- 3 months - 3 years
- 6 months - 2 years
- 6 months - 4 years

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