# Higby Road Redevelopment Fact Sheet

Triview Metro District is considering asking voters to approve a ballot measure this May to fund the redevelopment of Higby Road. Without raising taxes or increasing the authorized tax rate, Triview Metro District debt would be increased up to \$12.6 million to pay for widening and improving the safety of Higby Road for the benefit of district residents, Lewis-Palmer High School students and staff, and the entire community.

## **Project Goals**

- Widen and improve Higby Road to address safety concerns from increased traffic.
- Benefit Triview Metro District residents,
   Lewis-Palmer High School students and staff,
   and the broader community.
- Provide enhanced emergency ingress and egress to surrounding homes and subdivisions east of Jackson Creek Parkway.

### **Funding**

- This will not raise taxes or increase the authorized tax rate.
- The project will be funded by increasing District debt up to \$12.6 million.
- Estimated annual debt payments of approximately \$768,000 would be made using existing revenue streams including sales tax, the operations and maintenance mill levy, and developer contributions.



#### Why It's Needed

- Increased traffic has led to more speed and safety issues, particularly around Lewis-Palmer High School.
- Adding two new roundabouts at key intersections will improve traffic flow and provide traffic calming - roundabouts reduce fatal and injury crashes by ~80%.
- Creating pedestrian crossings for students and others improves safety and walkability.
- Adding a 5-foot sidewalk on the north side of Higby Road and an 8-foot multi-use trail on the south side adds safety and improved access.
- · Providing shared bicycle lanes.
- Center islands prevent dangerous left turns.
- Providing greater access in the event of a wildland fire improves safety and emergency response.

#### **Property Taxes**

- If this were to pass the District plans to continue decreasing property tax rates, as it has in the past.
- The mill levy has decreased from 35 mills to
   20.5 mills over the past 5 years, saving residents
   around \$2,000 over five years for a \$600,000 home.

## **Community Support**

- 84% of residents approve of the job Triview Metro District does in providing services to residents including maintaining community assets such as roads, parks, and open spaces.
- 81% approve of the District's road maintenance and improvement efforts.
- 63% of voters support the potential ballot measure to redevelop Higby Road based on a recent public survey.

#### **Cost Savings**

- Construction costs have tripled since 2021 and will keep rising if the project is delayed.
- Acting now will save residents money in the long run.
- Developers on Higby Road's south side will reimburse the District for half of the redevelopment, helping pay off bonds.



A view of the new proposed Higby Road looking west, with Lewis-Palmer High School on the right.

## **Get Involved**

Triview Metro District is committed to helping residents understand the project's benefits and necessity.

Scan the QR code or visit www.triviewmetro.com to learn more.

