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A public meeting to discuss transit service and station design concepts for the Burleson Transit Oriented Development (TOD) study is slated for Thursday, April 7, at 6:30 p.m. at Burleson City Hall.

This is the second public meeting hosted by the City of Burleson, North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) and the Fort Worth Transportation Authority (the T). Input from the first meeting, hosted at city hall on Jan. 13, has been included in the concepts that will be presented April 7.

Bus service, commuter rail, pedestrian and bicycle access are all in the plans for the TOD. The TOD is a 560-acre area straddling the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad in west Burleson. The transit station would be located at the intersection of the future Alsbury Boulevard and Hulen Street (formerly Shaffstall Road), west of Hwy. 174. The proposed W-4 rail corridor runs from downtown Fort Worth through Burleson and ends in Cleburne.

The project is a joint effort grant funded through the Regional Transportation Council and managed by the North Central Texas Council of Governments. The Burleson TOD project is looking at short and long-term strategies including an initial bus service and a station that has the flexibility to be converted to a commuter rail station when thresholds are met and funding is available. Pedestrian and bicycle access, in addition to vehicle access to the station, are included in the plans.

Staff from the City as well as the NCTCOG and the T will be at the meeting to listen to comments and answer questions about the study. For more information about the April 7 meeting, contact City Planner Kent George at 817-426-9614 or kgeorge@burlesontx.com. Burleson City Hall is located at 141 W. Renfro St.