Major changes are on the way for FM 565 between Highway 146 and Highway 99, and the Texas Department of Transportation ... greatest — and most eagerly anticipated — change from the estimated $39 million project will be the construction of

Two configurations are being considered. Both include the overpass of the railroad tracks and follow the existing road course east of the intersection. One option requires relocating the intersection of FM 565 farther west from where it is now, while the other option involves building an overpass over the Union Pacific tracks.

The grant applications said in a press release. “I’m a fiscal conservative, limited government, low tax, conservative Republican to my core. And this district needs a representative to stand for these commitments.”

Another candidate that has announced his candidacy for Midleton’s seat is Dr. Abel Longoria of Galveston.

Public comments on the two proposals will be accepted through Jan. 7. The may be submitted online, by voice recording at 832-271-0934, by email at bimproposals@txdot.com, or by mail to the Texas Department of Transportation, Lisa Collins, PE, Project Manager, 8350 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont TX 77708.

For questions, call the Beaumont TxDOT office at 409-898-5732. The final design is expected by fall of 2022. Construction is expected to begin in winter of 2024.

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