



## Monday Morning Report

May 16, 2016

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### INTERNAL

The Executive Committee of the **Austin-San Antonio** Corridor Council will meet this **Wednesday, May 18** at the **San Marcos** Activity Center. Please RSVP your attendance to [council@thecorridor.org](mailto:council@thecorridor.org). [Agenda](#).

Join us June 1st at the **San Antonio** Plaza Club for a luncheon & discussion with Congressman Henry Cuellar and the Department of Transportation Commissioner Jeff Austin on "*The Future of South Texas Transportation: **San Antonio to Monterrey High Speed Rail***". Details [here](#).

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### INFRASTRUCTURE

The US Department of Transportation announced that Secretary Anthony Foxx will visit each of the Smart City Challenge finalist cities during the week of May 16 to meet with mayors and other local leaders as they work to complete their final proposals due on May 24, 2016. **Austin's** visit is scheduled for Tuesday, May 17. [Press Release](#).

It will be more than a year before **Lockhart** and **Caldwell County** residents get any relief from traffic issues caused by improvements being made to US 183 that include widening and safety improvements. [Story](#).

Fallout from **Austin's** vote on ridesharing companies is reverberating across the US. A **Forbes Magazine** contributor claimed that the Texas capital is no longer a tech capital because Uber has left town, [here](#). A **New York Times** contributor says the vote shows typical **Austin** 'communitarian social activism,' [here](#).

Thanks to technology, Texas is in a position that could help solve the transportation and congestion problems of the future. [Story](#).

Auto high-tech supplier Mobileye says it has signed deals with two car manufacturers to deliver fully self-driving automobiles by 2019 - just three years from now. The manufacturers were not named. [Story](#).

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### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (and 'Other' News)

LCRA is looking to connect substations in **Round Rock** and **Leander** via 138-kilovolt new transmission lines but city of **Round Rock** voted to authorize the city attorney intervene in the process of selecting a transmission line route. [Story](#).

This weekend (5/15) the **San Antonio** airport welcomed Frontier Airlines nonstop service from SAT to **Atlanta** (ATL), **Denver** (DEN) and **Philadelphia** (PHL), with new service to **Las Vegas** (LAS). [Details](#).

UPS will build a new package distribution and warehouse facility in Round Rock after an economic development deal approved by City Council. UPS will hire at least 314 full-time equivalent employees. [Story.](#)

Just as a reminder, Executive Director James Bass this Thursday May 19, 11:30 at the La Cantera Hill Country Resort. For more information contact Leslie Harlan at [LHarlan@samcoinc.org](mailto:LHarlan@samcoinc.org) or call (210)688-4407 ext 11. [Details.](#)

## Thought of the Week

*"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind."*

~ Dr. Seuss

