

**Kenneth Blanchard**

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**From:** Lawrence Worden  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 21, 2008 4:06 PM  
**To:** Kenneth Blanchard  
**Subject:** FW: Brownell Ave expansion

-----Original Message-----  
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Subject: Re: Brownell Ave expansion

As a frequently impatient motorist, I agree with your last paragraph but am not (yet?) convinced of the rest. Repaving the potholes and thank-you m'ams at that intersection would be a welcome development. Maybe that's been done since I last drove through there; if so, hooray! The lines on Rockdale are sometimes much longer. The problem is too many cars and state highways that suddenly end at residential streets, or become city streets with many intersections, like Route 6.

It troubles me greatly to read about new parking lots for 2750 and 800 cars at the waterfront: what about run-off, air pollution, harbor and groundwater pollution from asphalt (will there be permeable asphalt, non-toxic, at the proposed casino, for instance? 4000 new jobs sounds terrific, but wouldn't it be preferable to create those jobs in green businesses and industries rather than gambling. Every day we continue on the socio-economic path to which we're addicted is a gamble--a big one.

Laurie Robertson-Lorant

On Thursday, August 21, 2008, at 11:40 AM, Roland Hebert wrote:

> Hello all,  
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> The Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District  
is  
> fully in favor of improvements to the Brownell Avenue approach to the  
> Route  
> 6/140 intersection. Below is from the 2007 Regional Transportation  
> Plan.  
> This is a transportation planning recommendation, the engineers may be  
> proposing something a little different.  
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> Please come to the meeting to hear about the City's desire to improve  
> traffic safety and reduce congestion.  
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