

Do I understand that this \$44 million street system improvement includes these underground truck routes?

Mayor JONSSON. No. No. That is just the more routine annual improvements.

Mr. CRAMER. Yes. So that we are really talking about some rather substantial expenditures relating to that?

Mayor JONSSON. Yes. I cannot give you specifics on the present program because Mr. Ponte and Mr. Travers have not quite completed their work yet; but we did want to bring you what we could.

We had some engineering done on the tunnelling of a little over a mile of the main street that you saw in the diagram, right in the center of the core, with parking facilities only at one end. This came to \$38 million. So you can see how major it is.

Mr. CRAMER. The only problem I have with the TOPICS program, I might add, as an aside for your information, is that the proposal before us is that we take it out of the trust fund and that means it ends up coming out of the Interstate System. We are already behind about \$8 million, in finishing the system by the date of 1975 now. So we have to make a choice as to whether it is more important to finish the interstate with the available funds or start a new program such as TOPICS.

Mayor JONSSON. I cannot help you much with that. I am struggling with the problem of 80 percent of the people, even in Texas, being in the cities.

Mr. CRAMER. Thank you, Mayor and Congressman.

It has been an extremely fine presentation, and very helpful.

Mayor JONSSON. Thank you.

Mr. ROBERTS. We have with us Mr. Donald Barbour and Mr. Paul Spooner of the Roadside Business Association.

It is a pleasure to have you back here. Sorry we could not get to you last week.

STATEMENT OF PAUL SPOONER AND DONALD S. BARBOUR, ROAD-SIDE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, ON THE PROPOSED FEDERAL HIGHWAY ACT OF 1968—RESUMED

Mr. SPOONER. Mr. Chairman, last Wednesday, we filed a statement for the record and since that time, we have discovered two or three oversights. We missed one of the State agreements. We should have discussed one State law; so that we have revised that statement. It is minor, but it is to make it technically correct and we have today given the staff a new statement revised as of today and I request that it be substituted for that statement which we filed last week.

Mr. KLUCZYNSKI. We do not object to that.

Mr. SPOONER. I believe as we left the matter, we would simply submit for questions, and Mr. Barbour is here designated to speak for the association on the operational parts of the questions and I might talk, if you have any questions that are specifically legal, on the other.

Mr. KLUCZYNSKI. I am sure the gentleman from Florida would want to ask some questions.

Mr. Cramer?

Mr. CRAMER. I appreciate your coming back as an act of courtesy to the committee and the chairman. Due to the forum calls and the