



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of July 31, 2012

**DATE:** July 19, 2012

**TO:** Ronald L. Olson, City Manager

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Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Proposition and Ballot Language for Bond 2012

### **CAPTION:**

Discussion and possible action regarding proposition and ballot language for bond issuance in the following amounts for projects as follows: Proposition 1 with \$55,000,000 for street projects; Proposition 2 with \$ 1,750,000 for City Hall improvements; Proposition 3 with \$4,750,000 for Service Center Complex improvements; Proposition 4 with \$16,000,000 for Parks and Recreation improvements; Proposition 5 with \$2,340,000 for Museum and Library improvements; Proposition 6 with \$820,000 for Public Health improvements; Proposition 7 with \$700,000 for Public Safety improvements; Proposition 8 with \$9,050,000 for Economic Development projects and Proposition 9 with \$60,000,000 for Destination Bayfront; and Resolution directing staff to prepare election ordinance with approved proposition and ballot language.

### **PURPOSE:**

Discussion and possible action regarding Bond Propositions and ballot language for November 6, 2012 Election. City Council shall advise staff of the Bond Propositions to be included in the Ordinance calling for the November 6, 2012 Election.

- Motion to approve Proposition 1 and ballot language regarding \$55,000,000 bond issuance for street projects.
- Motion to approve Proposition 2 and ballot language regarding \$1,750,000 bond issuance for City Hall improvements.
- Motion to approve Proposition 3 and ballot language regarding \$4,750,000 bond issuance for Service Center Complex improvements.
- Motion to approve Proposition 4 and ballot language regarding \$16,000,000 bond issuance for Parks and Recreation improvements.

- Motion to approve Proposition 5 and ballot language regarding \$2,340,000 bond issuance for Museum and Library improvements.
- Motion to approve Proposition 6 and ballot language regarding \$820,000 bond issuance for Public Health improvements.
- Motion to approve Proposition 7 and ballot language regarding \$700,000 bond issuance for Public Safety improvements.
- Motion to approve Proposition 8 and ballot language regarding \$9,050,000 bond issuance for Economic Development projects.
- Motion to approve Proposition 9 and ballot language regarding \$60,000,000 bond issuance for Destination Bayfront.
- **Resolution directing staff to prepare the ordinance calling the November 6, 2012 election to include bond proposition language approved during meeting of July 31, 2012.**

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

Staff will present package options for Bond Issue 2012. City Council shall advise staff of the Bond Propositions to be included in the Ordinance calling for the November 6, 2012 Election.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Alternatives considered by City Council include the following.

#### **Planning Commission Recommendation (July 11, 2011):**

After the Public Hearing on July 11, 2012 the Planning Commission recommended that of the \$ 55 million which is available for Capital Improvements for Bond 2012 with no tax rate increase that \$ 52.5 million be allocated for street and associated utility improvements and that \$ 2.5 million be allocated for public facilities. The Commission's recommendation includes a stipulation that the proposed portions of Holly Road and Williams Drive be included in the \$ 52.5 million allocation because these two projects will receive 80% TxDOT funding for street improvements.

In addition the Commission recommended that Navigation Blvd. and Tuloso Road not be included in the allocation and instead the surrounding industries shall participate in funding these street improvements.

### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

Identification of corresponding cost impacts to Corpus Christi property owners and citizens in the form of possible ad valorem tax increases, the possible creation of a street user fee, increased utility rates, etc. to pay for the debt service of the general obligation bonds issued for Bond 2012 projects.

### **CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

All proposed capital improvement projects have been vetted for consistency with the City’s Comprehensive Plan including the Corpus Christi Policy Statements, Transportation Master Plan; the various Utilities Master Plans; Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan; Airport Master Plan and all other plans.

**EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Staff is requesting an emergency reading. In order to meet the deadline as prescribed by state law for calling the Bond Election on November 6, 2012, City Council must have an emergency reading to approve the Ordinance on August 14, 2012 calling the Bond Election because there will be no council meeting on August 7, 2012. According to Article II, Section 14 of the City Charter, an item can be classified as an emergency because it calls for “immediate action necessary for the efficient and effective administration of the city’s affairs”.

**DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Planning & Environmental Services Dept.  
 Engineering Services Dept.  
 Legal Department  
 Finance Dept.  
 Management and Budget Dept.  
 City Secretary’s Office

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Operating       Revenue       Capital       Not applicable

<b>Fiscal Year: 2011-2012</b>	<b>Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)</b>	<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Future Years</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
Line Item Budget	0	0	\$ 150,410,000	\$ 150,410,000
Encumbered / Expended Amount	0	0	0	0
This item	0	0	0	0
<b>BALANCE</b>	0	0	\$ 150,410,000	\$ 150,410,000

Fund(s):

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Funding for general obligation bonds for capital needs such as streets, public facilities, parks and other projects will require issuance of voter-approved bonds. In formulating a recommended Bond 2012 program, staff has compiled a list of projects consistent with prioritized needs as identified by Council at the workshop held on July 24, 2012.

This item will finalize the proposed Bond Issue Propositions with detailed projects and packaging for the November 6, 2012 Bond Election. City Council will advise staff of the Bond Propositions and packaging to be included in the August 14, 2012 Ordinance calling for the November 6, 2012 Election.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Resolution

Revised Bond 2012 Potential Projects List (by Proposition)