

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

for the City Council Meeting of July 31, 2012

DATE: July 25, 2012

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Public Hearing for the Proposed Bond Issue 2012

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Caption:

Public Hearing for the Proposed Bond Issue 2012

Background:

Funding for general obligation bonds for capital needs such as streets, public facilities, park 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 council directive and prioritized needs. City Council will use the recommended list as a basis to finalize a Bond 2012 package to be presented to the citizens in a November 6, 2012 Bond Election.

This item will allow public comment on the proposed bond issue projects and packaging for the November 6, 2012 Bond Election.

Propositions for Consideration:

 Proposition No. 1 – Streets Improvements (No net tax rate increase imposed) \$ 55 Million

<u>Additional Propositions:</u> (Will impose tax rate increases)

•	Proposition No. 2 – City Hall Impts.	\$ 1.75 Million
•	Propositon No. 3 – Service Center Complex	\$ 4.75 Million
•	Proposition No.4 - Parks & Rec. Projects:	\$ 16.00 Million
•	Proposition No.5 - Museum & Library Impts:	\$ 2.34 Million
•	Proposition No. 6 - Public Health Improvements	\$ 0.82 Million
•	Proposition No. 7 - Public Safety Improvemnts	\$ 0.70 Milion
•	Proposition No. 8 - Economic Development. Projects	\$ 9.05 Million
•	Proposition No. 9: - Destination Bayfront:	\$ 60.0 Million

<u>Planning Commission Recommedation:</u>

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% Tx DOT 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. (If Council so directs, staff will strive to achieve participation by the surrounding industries in the renewal of respective Industrial District Agreements scheduled in 2013).

List of Supporting Documents:

Agenda Memorandum Bond 2012 PowerPoint Overview