



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

2022 - 2027 Bond Program Appropriation of Funds

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing the appropriation of funds over a five-year period for delivery of the 183 projects listed under the six propositions in the 2022 - 2027 Bond Program totaling \$1.2 Billion and amending the FY 2017- 2022 Capital Improvements Program to include all projects approved as part of the Bond Program and appropriating Midtown TIRZ funding in the amount of \$18 Million for the San Antonio Zoo, San Antonio Botanical Gardens and the Witte Museum.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On May 7, 2022, voters approved the City's 2022 - 2027 Bond Program consisting of six propositions totaling \$1.2 Billion. The program includes 183 projects designed to construct, improve and enhance local streets, bridges, sidewalks, drainage facilities, parks, libraries, housing and other facilities. All areas of San Antonio will benefit from projects proposed in the bond program. Many projects address infrastructure needs in a specific area while several projects have a regional or city-wide benefit for all residents. The following provides a general description of the six Propositions in the Bond Program highlighting the number of projects in each and the total

amount of Bond Funds:

Proposition A – Streets, Bridges & Sidewalks

62 Projects | \$471, 557,000

This proposition authorizes the City of San Antonio to issue bonds for the purposes of making permanent public improvements for public purposes providing streets, bridges, bicycle, multi-modal and sidewalk improvements as well as related incidental improvements including utility relocation, street lighting, driveway approaches, upgrading technology and traffic signals and improving signage. This proposition will also include acquiring necessary lands and rights-of-way, acquiring and installing, landscaping and acquiring and installing public art related to the proposition.

Proposition B – Drainage & Flood Control

23 Projects | \$169,873,000

This proposition authorizes the City of San Antonio to issue bonds for the purposes of making permanent public improvements for public purposes, specifically: providing drainage and flood water improvements and facilities to improve or develop storm drainage systems to include detention basins, channels, elimination of low water crossings and other enhancements including as applicable sustainable green infrastructure. This proposition will also provide the acquisition lands and rights-of-way necessary for such purposes and the acquiring and installation of public art related to the proposition.

Proposition C – Parks & Recreation

82 Projects | \$271,915,000

This proposition authorizes the City of San Antonio to issue bonds for the purposes of making permanent public improvements for public purposes, specifically: acquiring, constructing, equipping, renovating and landscaping for park, recreation and open space improvements and additions including public facilities located in and integral to such parks, acquiring necessary lands and rights-of-way, and the acquiring and installation of public art related to the proposition.

Proposition D – Library & Cultural Facilities

9 Projects | \$58,375,000

This proposition authorizes the City of San Antonio to issue bonds for the purposes of making permanent public improvements for public purposes, specifically: rehabilitating, upgrading, improving, renovating, equipping and landscaping library and other cultural facilities to benefit or promote cultural and social enrichment, acquiring necessary lands and rights-of-way and the acquiring and installation of public art related to the proposition.

Proposition E – Public Safety Facilities

6 Projects | \$78,280,000

This proposition authorizes the City of San Antonio to issue bonds for the purposes of making permanent public improvements for public purposes, specifically: acquiring, constructing, improving, renovating, upgrading, equipping and landscaping public safety facilities to include fire, police, emergency medical services, animal control facilities, and other facilities to protect health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City, acquiring necessary lands and rights-of-way, as well as the acquiring and installation of public art related to the proposition.

Proposition F – Affordable Housing

1 Project (5 Priority Funding Categories) | \$150 Million

The utilization of \$150 million of the 2022 Bond Program is for the production and preservation of affordable and permanent supportive housing. Funding will be used for the acquisition, construction, preservation and rehabilitation of homes, providing loans and grants for affordable housing programs as may be permitted by law, and the acquisition of land and interests in land and property necessary to do so; and the levying of a tax sufficient to pay for the bonds and notes.

Additionally, on February 10, 2022, City Council authorized three funding agreements totaling \$18 million plus costs associated with debt service funded through the Midtown TIRZ through Ordinance 2022-02-10-0093:

- Funding Agreement with the San Antonio Zoological Society for a principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 plus costs associated with debt service for the renovation of the undersized zoo entrance and the renovation of the re-imagined gorilla habitat (2022 Bond Project).
- Funding Agreement with the San Antonio Botanical Garden for a principal amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 plus costs associated with debt service for the repair and replacement of glass panels on the conservatory structures, replacement of the green houses, lighting improvements and the development of a master plan (2022 Bond Project).
- Funding Agreement with the Witte Museum for a principal amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 plus costs associated with debt service for the renovation and expansion of an existing auditorium at the Witte Museum. This action does not violate any terms within the City Council approved Loan Funding Agreement with the Witte Museum.

ISSUE:

This ordinance authorizes the appropriation of funds over a five-year period for delivery of the 183 projects listed under the six proposition in the 2022 – 2027 Bond Program totaling \$1.2 Billion.

During June 1, 2022, City Council “B” Session, city staff provided a briefing on the 2022 – 2027 Bond Program including the delivery of the 183 projects listed in the six propositions.

This ordinance also will authorize the appropriation of Midtown TIRZ funding in the amount of \$18 Million for two bond funded projects, the San Antonio Zoo and San Antonio Botanical Garden, and for the Witte Museum.

ALTERNATIVES:

As an alternative, City Council could not approve the appropriations. If not approved, staff cannot proceed with the delivery of the 183 projects under the six propositions in the 2022 – 2027 Bond Program approved by voters on May 7, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance authorizes the appropriation of 2022 General Obligation Bond funds for the 183 projects listed under the six propositions in the 2022 – 2027 Bond Program totaling \$1.2 Billion and \$18 Million from the Midtown TIRZ. This ordinance will amend the FY 2022 – 2027 Capital Improvements Program to include all projects approved as part approved as part of the Bond Program. The list of projects and appropriations are reflected in the attached document.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of an ordinance authorizing the appropriation of funds for delivery of the 183 projects listed under the six propositions in the 2022 – 2027 Bond Program totaling \$1.2 Billion and \$18 Million from the Midtown TIRZ for three projects to include the San Antonio Zoo, San Antonio Botanical Gardens, and the Witte Museum.