MINUTES 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BOND COMMITTEE MEETING 100 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 500 WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2015

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1. Call to Order. Chair Melody Ryan called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Committee Members attending: Tom Anker, Rodney Blackburn, Karyn Buchanan, Ken Dalfonso, Mike Heath, Jeff Marsh, Jim McDonald, Wayne Pierce, Chelsea Robertson, Melody Ryan, Robert Spoonemore.

Committee Members absent: Karen Duncan, Tony Hanson.

City Staff attending: Trey Fletcher, Assistant City Manager; Lauri Gillam, Assistant City Manager; Tom Word, Assistant City Manager; Karen Thompson, City Secretary; Terri Waggoner, Public Information Officer; Amy Good, Finance Director; Dan Franz, City Engineer; James Hemenes, Parks Director; Chuck Hooker, Police Chief; Laura Wilkes, Police Lieutenant; Rhonda McLendon, Animal Shelter Director.

- 2. Public Comment. There were no requests to speak under the item.
- **3. Approval of the Minutes of May 13, 2015.** Ms. Robertson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. McDonald seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.
- 4. Discuss and consider action to make recommendation to the City Council regarding bond propositions for a proposed November 3, 2015 bond election. The Committee discussed the compiled results of the prioritization survey completed by 12 of the 13 Committee members. Mr. Heath entered the meeting at 6:25 p.m. during the discussion. The Committee voted on whether to include the following roads in the recommendation for a bond election: Royston Lane, Old Austin Hutto, Picadilly Drive, Immanuel Road, Pflugerville Parkway and Weiss Lane. The votes for and against were: Royston Lane: 1 in favor and 10 opposed; Old Austin Hutto Road: 7 in favor and 4 opposed; Picadilly Road: 1 in favor and 10 opposed; Immanuel Road: 7 in favor and 4 opposed; Pflugerville Parkway: 8 in favor and 3 opposed; and Weiss Lane: 6 in favor and 5 opposed. Royston Lane and Picadilly Road were removed from the list of recommended roads and the consensus was to include the following roads in the recommendation with the following priority ranking and estimated cost: 1.) Pflugerville Parkway (\$5,644,000); 2.) Immanuel Road (\$2,678,000); 3.) Old Austin-Hutto Road (\$2,266,000); and 4.) Weiss Lane (\$9,579,000). The Committee indicated that they would like to provide the prioritization survey report information to the Council. The Committee reviewed the survey report information for the animal shelter and was in agreement that the consensus was to

recommend option B1 in the amount of \$9,052,000. The Committee indicated by consensus (one member opposed) that their highest priority is the animal shelter and they believe that it should be brought forward to the voters in November 2015. Mr. Spoonemore exited the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Heath stated that there are other roads that are needed. He asked that the Committee consider a local match for 130 frontage roads, FM 685 widening and intersection improvements, and FM 1825 widening. Ms. Ryan stated that the Committee had not received information from staff on those road projects, so she is not sure they have enough information to include in the recommendation. Ms. Buchanan suggested that they recommend that Council evaluate these additional roadways for study and funding. Committee discussion followed. Mr. Heath indicated he could communicate with City staff instead. Mr. Heath spoke on the need for a consistent road maintenance program and to not rely on bond funding. The Committee discussed including a recommendation for development of a road maintenance program. Mr. Anker indicated that he is not sure that is appropriate for the Bond Committee's recommendation. Mr. Heath made a motion to recommend that Council establish a policy for a maintenance program for roads and to adequately fund it. Ms. Buchanan seconded the motion. The vote was 5 in favor and 5 opposed. The motion failed.

The Committee discussed its recommendation regarding Trails and Parks Improvements. Ms. Ryan stated that the survey supports including both in the recommendation since 7 were in favor and 5 opposed. Mr. Marsh stated that he would like to review the list of projects and decrease the amount. Mr. Dalfonso made a motion to decrease the total amount for Trails and Parks to \$2,000,000. Mr. Heath seconded the motion. There was Committee discussion. Mr. Pierce made a motion to amend the motion to \$3.5 million. Ms. Robertson seconded the amendment. Following further discussion, Mr. Pierce removed his request for amendment and the vote was taken on the original motion supporting a recommendation for \$2,000,000 in Trails and Parks. 5 were in favor, 4 were opposed, and 1 abstained. The motion carried. Ms. Ryan reviewed the list of projects and made a motion to recommend that \$570,000 be included for trails (\$370,000 Gilleland, \$100,000 Springbrook, and \$100,000 nature trails); \$410,000 be included for existing parks improvements, \$670,000 be included for undeveloped parks (\$300,000 Springbrook, \$370,000 Mallard/Murchison Ridge), and \$350,000 be included for practice fields. Mr. Anker seconded the motion. All were in favor. None were opposed. The Committee was in agreement that the \$2,000,000 was not to include bond costs.

A summary of the recommendation was to be emailed to the Committee and Ms. Ryan was to present the recommendation to the City Council at their regular meeting on June 9, 2015.

5. Adjourn. Ms. Buchanan made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Robertson seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Thompson

City Secretary

I hereby affirm that the above minutes accurately reflect the actions of this meeting and as the 2015 Capital Improvement Bond Committee will not meet again for the actual approval of these minutes; these minutes are to be considered the record of the final actions of the 2015 Capital Improvement Bond Committee.

Melody Ryan

Chair