

City of Pflugerville



Minutes - Final

Monday, March 9, 2026

6:00 PM

Regular Meeting

1611 Pfennig Lane

Capital Improvement Bond Committee

1 Call to Order

Assistant City Manager Emily Barron called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Bond Committee members in attendance: Jesse Plaza, Syed Kazmi, Eric Klingelberger, Dennis Spencer, Melissa Call, Lucas Myers, Mark Epstein, Christine Bailey, Nefisat Jacobs, and Noelle Rudolph.

City employees in attendance: Rhonda McLendon, Director of Animal Welfare Services; Shane Mize, Director of Parks and Recreation; Jeff Achee, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation; Assistant City Manager, Emily Barron; Assistant City Manager, Flozelle Roberts; Director of Management Services, Terri Toledo, and Director of Public Utility and Engineering, Matt Rector.

Bond Consultants in attendance: Angellia Points, Jay Kennedy, and Ryan Earp.

2 Public Comment

There was no one present wishing to make public comment.

The Capital Improvement Bond Committee welcomes comment on Committee items. Public comment that is made on an item that is not on the published agenda will only be heard by the Committee. No formal action, discussion or comment will be made. Each person providing public comment will be limited to three (3) minutes.

3 Discuss Only

3A Discussion regarding introduction to the Bond Committee.

Bond consultant firm, WSB, introduced themselves and discussed their experience working with municipal bond programs. An icebreaker exercise was conducted to allow committee members to introduce themselves and discuss their reasons for serving on the committee.

WSB staff facilitated a shared vision exercise and reviewed the committee's responses. The committee reached general agreement on three guiding priorities for the bond committee process: fiscal responsibility, inclusiveness and transparency, and a focus on long-term strategic growth. Committee members discussed the importance of defining the community's vision, identifying solutions, and recommending projects that improve city services. WSB staff then provided an overview of the meeting agenda and the structure of future meetings. Staff explained that the committee's role is to review proposed projects through the lens of the priorities identified during the exercise, while City and WSB staff will provide project information and explain alignment with long-term plans.

WSB staff communicated that the committee would review five parks projects and one facility project during the meeting. Projects will be evaluated using defined criteria including strategic alignment, feasibility and confidence, community and stakeholder benefit, and equity and safety.

WSB staff explained that future meetings will focus on additional project categories, financial implications, and ultimately the development of final recommendations to present to City Council.

3B Discussion regarding the evaluation of Parks and Facilities Projects.

City and WSB staff presented the proposed Destination Playspace Phase 2 project at Bohls Park. Staff discussed the project scope, proposed amenities, and how Phase 2 would build upon improvements included in Phase 1. The committee asked questions regarding the project timeline, trail connectivity, proximity to other parks and recreation facilities, and the role of destination parks in serving both residents and visitors. City staff discussed how the project could expand recreational opportunities while complementing existing trail infrastructure.

City and WSB staff presented the proposed Phase 3 improvements at 1849 Park, noting that the project would complete the development of the park. Staff discussed proposed amenities including additional play areas, sports spaces, and learning environments.

The committee asked questions regarding the park's acreage, passive recreation opportunities, and how the project differs from the proposed Destination Playspace Phase 2 project. City staff discussed impact of potential transportation improvements and coordinating with park improvements, the proposed Reunion Park project, and benefits of expanded park access and trail connectivity.

The committee asked questions regarding potential land acquisition strategies, the number of residents who may be served by the park, and the risks associated with acquiring land following voter approval of a bond program. City staff explained how bond programs may be structured to allow flexibility in reallocating funding if acquisition efforts change.

City and WSB staff presented the proposed Land Acquisition component. City staff and WSB presented the proposed land acquisition component to support Reunion Park and trail access, methods of acquisition, and funding structured separately from park design and construction. Staff discussed the flexibility to reallocate funds if land acquisition does not proceed as anticipated.

WSB staff presented the proposed trail improvement project, which focuses on addressing gaps in the City's existing trail system. City staff discussed how the project aligns with long-term planning efforts and could improve connectivity throughout the community.

The committee asked questions regarding priority trail connections, developer parkland dedication fees, and how previous bond programs supported trail development. Committee members discussed how the proposed improvements are distributed geographically across the city.

WSB staff and City staff presented the proposed new animal shelter facility. City staff discussed operational limitations of the existing facility and the potential benefits of constructing a new space designed to meet current and future service needs.

The committee asked questions regarding the project scope, historical bond proposals related to the facility, projected costs, and how expanded space could improve animal care operations and adoption processes. City staff discussed current policies used to manage intake and shelter capacity. The committee was then directed by WSB staff to evaluate the proposed projects using the previously discussed scoring criteria, including strategic alignment, feasibility and confidence, community and stakeholder benefit, equity and safety. These results will be provided to the committee used as a snapshot on how the committee felt about the projects at that time and will be reviewed before coming to a final recommendation.

4 Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

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Trista Evans, City Secretary

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