

MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda Item No. IX.L. 6/13/2017

The City of **OKLAHOMA CITY**

PUBLIC HEARING HELD.

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: James D. Couch, City Manager

Public hearing regarding Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to call a Special Election to be held on September 12, 2017, for voter approval of a General Obligation Bond Issue and Authorization; and determining and setting forth the bond issue proposition and related projects to be submitted to the voters at that election.

Background

The City has generated a list of proposed projects, categorized into multiple propositions, to be presented to the voters in the upcoming September 12, 2017, General Obligation Bond Authorization Election.

To develop this list of proposed projects City staff compiled an extensive list of capital improvements with input from City Council, City departments, business groups, organizations and residents. The City engaged the public over several months through multiple methods, including neighborhood/group meetings, eight public workshops, multiple survey tools, and on-line participation options including an interactive application.

The City received 4,415 resident surveys, 1,318 neighborhood/district surveys from 84 different groups, and over 3,000 specific requests for projects. City staff compiled all of the project ideas into a database and applied prioritization criteria to determine the projects with the greatest need and priority for funding within each of the propositions. Prioritization criteria included empirical data where possible and guidance from the City's comprehensive plan, planokc.

The proposed 2017 G.O. Bond Program includes a total of \$967.4 million in projects with \$907.4 million in infrastructure and facility projects and \$60 million for economic development. The projections for the bond program show that it will be possible to issue the bonds over approximately ten years.

The propositions in the General Obligation Bond Program are summarized below:

Proposition

Amount

	1. Streets	\$490,560,000	
	2. Bridges	\$26,795,000	
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	3. Traffic Control System	\$27,585,000	
	4. Economic and Community Development	2 1	
	Including Job Creation Programs	\$60,000,000	
	5. Parks and Recreational Facilities	\$137,720,000	
	5. Libraries	\$23,910,000	
	7. Civic Center Complex	\$20,185,000	
	8. Transit	\$20,395,000	
	9. City Maintenance Facilities Complex	\$13,085,000	
	10. Drainage Control System	\$62,170,000	
	11. Downtown City Arena	\$8,865,000	
	12. Police	\$30,840,000	
	13. Fire	\$45,350,000	
	Total for all Propositions	\$967,460,000	
	Council adopted a Resolution introducing the propositions and projects for a Citywide General Obligation Bond election on September 12, 2017; and directing the preparation of election documents for a public hearing on June 13, 2017 and a final hearing on June 20, 2017 on May 30, 2017 (Item No. IX.J.)		

Review Finance Department

Recommendation: Public hearing be held.

Attachment