PROPOSED 2016 BOND PACKAGE AND PROPOSITION

August 2, 2016

COUNCIL DIRECTION

- Resolution 20160623-083
  - "Develop recommended proposition language for council consideration by August 11, 2016 for placement on the November 2016 ballot..."

TODAY'S PRESENTATION

- Recap of process to date
- Draft Proposition and Ballot Language
- Next Steps in Bond Process

PROCESS RECAP

February-March 2016

- Briefings on Developing and Funding Transportation Projects, Mobility Needs
- Resolution No. 20160211-017

April – May 2016

- Mobility Talks
  - Public Input online and in-person
  - Council Town Hall meetings

June 2016

- Funding Scenarios, Debt Capacity Update
- Public Hearing
- Council Bond Development
- Resolution No. 20160623-083

August 2016

- Consider Bond Proposition Language
- Set Ballot
- Call Election (Aug. 10-22)

COMPONENTS OF BOND MEASURE

Election Ordinance - contains the required components of the proposed Bond Measure

- Calls the Election – *"A special election shall be held in the City of Austin on November 8, 2016 to consider the issuance of general obligation bonds for transportation and mobility."*
- Act of Council stating terms and conditions for election (including proposition and ballot language)

Proposition

- Comprehensive statement of the proposal submitted to voters

Ballot

- Short form voters see in the booth
- Instrument used to register vote on proposal

PROPOSITION

- Calls the question – *"Shall the City Council be authorized to issue general obligation bonds and notes for the City for transportation and mobility purposes…"*

- Includes the uses for the bonds – *"…planning, designing, engineering, constructing, reconstructing, renovating, and improving roads, streets, sidewalks, bridges, bikeways, and other bicycle and pedestrian mobility infrastructure…"*

- Can include more detailed descriptions of the funding categories – *"$101,000,000 for Regional Mobility Projects to address congestion and enhance safety, including improvements to Loop 360 corridor, Spicewood Springs Road,…"*

PROPOSITION LANGUAGE GUIDELINES

- Proposition must specify the purpose and must be worded clearly to be definite and not mislead the voter.

- Character, features and purposes of the election must be set out in sufficient detail so voters will be familiar with the measure when they cast their ballot.

BALLOT

Short form voters see in the booth

Instrument used to register vote

- The issuance of $720,000,000 transportation and mobility improvement bonds and the levy of a tax sufficient to pay for the bonds and notes.

BALLOT LANGUAGE GUIDELINES

- The ballot should contain descriptive language to fairly portray the main features of the proposition in plain words so that it can be understood by voters.

- The ballot need not include the full text of the proposition.

- The ballot is sufficient if it identifies the matter and shows the character and purpose of the proposition.

COUNCIL DIRECTION

- The City Manager is directed to develop recommended proposition language for council consideration by August 11, 2016 for placement on the November 2016 ballot requesting authority for the sale of $720 million in general obligation bonds…to **fund the following mobility improvements**:

REGIONAL MOBILITY

- Regional Mobility • $101 Million
  - Address congestion and enhance safety
  - Projects include improvements on:
    - Loop 360
    - Spicewood Springs Road
    - Oakhill Parkway
    - Anderson Mill Road
    - RM 620/RM2222 intersection
    - Parmer Lane

CORRIDOR MOBILITY

- Corridor Mobility • $482 Million
  - Improvements to roadways to make them safe and accessible to all forms of transportation
  - Projects include implementation of existing Corridor Mobility Development Reports for:
    - North Lamar Boulevard
    - Burnet Road
    - Airport Boulevard
    - East MLK/969
    - South Lamar Boulevard
    - East Riverside Drive
    - Guadalupe Street
    - A South Austin corridor such as Slaughter Lane, Brodie Lane, Manchaca, FM 1626, William Cannon, and South Congress
  - Preliminary Engineering for additional critical arterials and corridors

LOCAL MOBILITY

- Local Mobility Projects • $137 Million
  - $85 million for implementation of the Sidewalk Master Plan, Safe Routes to School, Urban Trails Master Plan
    - $27.5 million Sidewalks Master Plan
    - $27.5 million Safe Routes to School
      - $2.7 million for each Council District
    - $30 million Urban Trails Master Plan
  - $20 million for implementation of the Bicycle Master Plan
  - $15 million for implementation of the Vision Zero Master Plan
  - $17 million for Sub-Standard Streets/Capital Renewal

PROPOSITION LANGUAGE ALTERNATIVES

- High level – List purposes with limited specificity regarding funding categories and projects.
  - *"…for transportation and mobility purposes, to wit: planning, designing, engineering, constructing, reconstructing, renovating, and improving roads, streets, sidewalks, bridges, bikeways, and other bicycle and pedestrian mobility infrastructure; improving traffic signals; planning, designing, engineering, constructing, reconstructing, renovating, and improving drainage facilities related to these improvements…"*

PROPOSITION LANGUAGE ALTERNATIVES

- More Detail– List purposes and include funding categories.
  - *"...for transportation and mobility purposes, to wit: planning, designing, engineering, constructing, ...with respect to:*

    (i) $101,000,000 for Regional Mobility Projects

    (ii) $482,000,000 for Corridor Improvement Projects

    (iii) $137,000,000 for Local Mobility Projects

PROPOSITION LANGUAGE ALTERNATIVES

- Include Projects– List purposes, include funding categories, list *Major projects*
  - *"...for transportation and mobility purposes, to wit: planning, designing, engineering, constructing, ...with respect to:*

    (i) $101,000,000 for Regional Mobility Projects to address congestion and enhance safety, including improvements to Loop 360 corridor; Spicewood Springs Road; Oak Hill Parkway; Anderson Mill Road; intersection of RM 620 and RM 2222; and Parmer Lane

RECOMMENDED PROPOSITION LANGUAGE

- Include Major Projects with more detail on the funding categories– *"…for transportation and mobility purposes, to wit: planning, designing, engineering, constructing, …with respect to:*

  (i) $101,000,000 for Regional Mobility Projects…list projects

  (ii) $482,000,000 for Corridor Improvement Projects…list primary implementation corridors

  (iii) $137,000,000 for Local Mobility Projects…list funding categories/levels (Sidewalks, Urban Trails, Bicycle projects, Vision Zero, Safe Routes to School, Sub-standard streets/Capital Renewal)

BALLOT LANGUAGE ALTERNATIVES

- High Level - The issuance of $720,000,000 transportation and mobility improvement bonds and notes and the levy of a tax sufficient to pay for the bonds and notes.

BALLOT LANGUAGE ALTERNATIVES

- More Detail- The issuance of $720,000,000 transportation and mobility improvement bonds and notes *for improvements to Loop 360 corridor, Spicewood Springs Road, Oak Hill Parkway, Anderson Mill Road, intersection of RM 620 and RM 2222, Parmer Lane, North Lamar Boulevard, Burnet Road, Airport Boulevard, East Martin Luther King Boulevard/969, South Lamar Boulevard, East Riverside Drive, and Guadalupe Street; implementation of a South Austin corridor, Safe Routes to School, and other local mobility projects;* and the levy of a tax sufficient to pay for the bonds and notes.

BALLOT LANGUAGE ALTERNATIVES

- Detailed Funding Levels- The issuance of $720,000,000 transportation and mobility improvement bonds and notes for *(i) $101,000,000 for Regional Mobility Projects including* improvements to Loop 360 corridor; Spicewood Springs Road; Oak Hill Parkway; Anderson Mill Road; intersection of RM 620 and RM 2222; Parmer Lane*, (ii) $482,000,000 for Corridor Improvement Projects, including (a) implementation of corridor plans for ;* North Lamar Boulevard; Burnet Road; Airport Boulevard; East Martin Luther King Boulevard/969; South Lamar Boulevard; East Riverside Drive; Guadalupe Street; *(b)* implementation of a South Austin corridor, and (c) preliminary engineering and design for additional critical arterials; and *(iii) $137,000,000 for Local Mobility Projects including* (a) *$85,000,000 for implementation of* the Sidewalk and Urban Trails Master Plans; *(b) $20,000,000 for implementation of* the Bicycle Master Plan; *(c) $15,000,000 for implementation of* the Vision Zero Master Plan; and *(d) $17,000,000* for sub-standard streets/capital renewal; the levy of a tax sufficient to pay for the bonds and notes.

RECOMMENDED BALLOT LANGUAGE

- More Detail without funding breakdown- (Detail is in the Proposition.)

"The issuance of $720,000,000 transportation and mobility improvement bonds and notes for improvements to Loop 360 corridor, Spicewood Springs Road, Oak Hill Parkway, Anderson Mill Road, intersection of RM 620 and RM 2222, Parmer Lane, North Lamar Boulevard, Burnet Road, Airport Boulevard, East Martin Luther King Boulevard/969, South Lamar Boulevard, East Riverside Drive, and Guadalupe Street; implementation of a South Austin corridor, Safe Routes to School, and other local mobility projects; and the levy of a tax sufficient to pay for the bonds and notes. ."

NEXT STEPS

STEP	DATE/MEETING
Opportunity for executive session	Aug. 4 Council Meeting
Draft bond package, funding amounts, proposition, and ballot language are placed on Council agenda for discussion and possible action	Aug. 9 Council Work Session (discussion) Aug. 11 Council Meeting (discussion and possible action)
Option for additional Council discussion	Aug. 16 Council Work Session Aug. 18 Council Meeting (Action – last scheduled meeting to set election ballot)

QUESTIONS/FEEDBACK