

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE May 5, 2023

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **2024 Bond Program Development Update**

## Background

As part of the upcoming City Council briefing on May 17, 2023, the Office of Bond and Construction Management (BCM) will provide a review of the Technical Criteria used to identify projects for the development of the 2024 Bond Program to the City Council. The briefing will also include discussions of the proposed bond propositions, recommended funding amounts, project scoring, the inclusion of equity in the scoring, and a schedule update for the Community Bond Task Force (CBTF). The purpose of this memorandum is to supplement information that will be presented during the May 17<sup>th</sup>, City Council Briefing.

## 2024 Bond Program-Community Bond Task Force (CBTF) Update

As BCM provided its first 2024 Bond Program briefing to the City Council on August 17, 2022, in January 2023, City Council committee briefings began to discuss departmental technical criteria. Presented in the various City Council and Committee briefings, major milestones of the overall bond schedule (see attachment) were first shared in August 2022, and have remained unchanged. Currently on schedule, BCM and the City's infrastructure and facility departments are moving into the bond development phase to include kick off of the BCTF and subcommittee meetings.

Shared within the 2024 Bond Program development milestones, meetings for the CBTF will begin May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. There will be two meetings a month for May, June, & August. While there are no scheduled meetings in July, while the City Council is on break, BCM has left open the option of having a July meeting if the subcommittees felt it was warranted. Please note that as requested by BCM, the majority of the Council Members have provided names of representatives for their council district for the CBTF and the following subcommittees: Streets & Transportation, Critical Facilities, Flooding & Erosion Control, Parks & Recreation, and Economic Development, Housing & Homeless Solutions.

As the meetings get underway, the focus of the initial CBTF meeting will be to educate the CBTF members on 1) bond programs & process, 2) Technical Criteria used to identify projects, 3) city wide and Council specific needs inventories and 4) address the questions, comments and concerns raised by the CBTF. The information provided will allow the CBTF to develop a thorough and equitable 2024 Bond Program that will be presented to City Council for consideration in December 2023, in anticipation of a May 2024 public vote.

## Allocation Development for CBTF Guidance

While the development and planning for the CBTF meetings has been ongoing, BCM has been considering questions and comments provided throughout the various 2024 Bond Program briefings. Based on feedback from the City Council, BCM has added proposed propositions for Homeless Solutions and for Information Technology and developed alternative proposition funding scenarios. While only a small number of City Council members have submitted alternative proposition funding scenarios, BCM would welcome additional feedback by May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## Next Steps

While this memorandum has provided updates on the upcoming CBTF meetings and the development of the 2024 Bond Program, on May 17, 2023, City infrastructure departments are scheduled to brief the City Council on 2024 Bond Program development updates to include technical criteria, schedules, proposition allocations, and feedback from the first CBTF meetings. In May and June 2023, City Council committees will also be presented with briefings with specific departmental needs.

Should you have any questions regarding specific information within this memorandum, please contact Jennifer Nicewander, P.E., Interim Director of the Office of Bond and Construction Management, at [jennifer.nicewander@dallas.gov](mailto:jennifer.nicewander@dallas.gov).



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[Attachment] 2024 Bond Program Schedule

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Mark Swann, City Auditor  
Billerae Johnson, City Secretary  
Preston Robinson, Administrative Judge  
Kimberly Bizer Tolbert, Deputy City Manager  
Jon Fortune, Deputy City Manager

Majed A. Al-Ghafry, Assistant City Manager  
M. Elizabeth (Liz) Cedillo-Pereira, Assistant City Manager  
Carl Simpson, Assistant City Manager  
Jack Ireland, Chief Financial Officer  
Genesis D. Gavino, Chief of Staff to the City Manager  
Directors and Assistant Directors

## 2024 Bond Program Schedule

Month/Year	Tasks
<b>May 11 &amp; 25, 2023</b>	Community Bond Task Force (CBTF) & Subcommittee Meetings.
<b>June 13 &amp; 20, 2023</b>	CBTF & Subcommittee meetings.
<b>June, 2023</b>	Various Committee Briefings on Needs Inventory to also be presented to the CBTF.
<b>July, 2023</b>	No CBTF or Council meetings scheduled
<b>August 15 &amp; 22, 2023</b>	CBTF & Subcommittee meetings continue, Subcommittee to present recommendations to the Task Force
<b>September, 2023</b>	Budget & Management Services finalizes themes and bonding capacity.
<b>September/October 2023</b>	City Council briefing on updated financial capacity based on Tax Year 2023 Certified Property Values.
<b>September/October 2023</b>	Council briefing, to select size and prioritization for the 2024 Bond Program.
<b>October 2023 - May 2024</b>	Community Stakeholder Engagement.
<b>November, 2023</b>	CBTF finalizes list of Recommended Projects.  Present Proposed Bond Program Themes and Financial Capacity to City Council.
<b>December, 2023</b>	City Council briefing by City Manager and CBTF Chair of Draft Proposed 2024 Bond Program.  Public Hearing to receive comments regarding the 2024 Bond Program
<b>January, 2024</b>	Public Hearing to receive comments regarding the 2024 Bond Program (if needed).  City Council briefing of recommended Bond Program.
<b>January, 2024</b>	City Council finalizes Bond Program and calls the election for May 2024.
	For a May 4, 2024, Election, 90-days before would be February 3, 2024. Council Meeting Prior to February 3, 2024, is January 24, 2024
<b>May, 2024</b>	Bond Election.