

PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS

Proposition 1 -

Road, Road-Related Drainage & Right-of-Way Projects

Projects in this proposition are intended to improve area mobility, decrease congestion and improve safety on Travis County roads. Included are 12 road projects that add new travel lanes. Seven of those projects are public/private partnerships that require right-of-way donation and cost participation by the private sector.

Additionally, this proposition includes two safety projects that replace a bridge and eliminate a low-water crossing. Funds to acquire right-of-way for four State Farm-to-Market roads and two road related drainage projects are included.

Road Projects

- Howard Lane (Dessau Road to Cameron Road)
- Kimbro/Parsons Road (Low water crossing replacement)
- Gattis School Road (CR122 to east of Huntington Trails/Forest Creek Estates subdivision)
- Jesse Bohls Road Bridge #231 (at Wilbarger Creek)
- Hamilton Pool Road (RM 12 to Pedernales River)
- Reimers-Peacock Road (Hamilton Pool Road to SH 71)

Tier 1 Projects - Public/Private Partnership Road Project

- Howard Lane (Austin City limits to east of SH 130)
- Wells Branch Parkway (Boulder Ridge subdivision to Cameron Road)
- Decker Lake Road (FM 973 to SH 130 frontage)
- Braker Lane (US 290 to Parmer Lane)
- Parmer Lane (US 290 to Braker Lane)
- Pecan Street (Pflugerville City limits to SH 130)
- Slaughter Lane (Bluff Springs Road to McKinney Falls Parkway)

Tier 2 Projects (Contingent upon available funds)

- Braker Lane (FM 973 to Taylor Lane)

Right-of-Way Acquisition for State FM Roads

- FM 1431 FM 1626 FM 1826 FM 2244

Road-Related Drainage Projects

- Imperial Valley Drive
- Caldwell Lane

Total Cost of Proposition 1: \$ 65,225,000

NOTE: All project scopes described are proposed and subject to change.

Proposition 2 - Parks/Open Space Parkland

Parks and Opens Space Projects

Projects in this proposition include constructing additional improvements at three existing metropolitan parks, acquiring land to expand existing parks and greenways, and buying out properties located in flood plains that will be used for recreational purposes.

- East Metro Park – Complete two sports complexes, construct new meeting center, raw water distribution system, infrastructure, and site amenities.
- Northeast Metro Park – Construct in-ground skate park, other park facilities, infrastructure, and site amenities.
- Southwest Metro Park - Acquire additional land (anticipated to be Reimers Ranch) and construct park facilities, infrastructure, and site amenities.
- Southwest Open Space Parkland – Acquire open space in SW Travis County.
- Southeast Metro Park – Accept dedicated parkland and construct canoe launch, park facilities, infrastructure, and site amenities.
- Onion Creek Open Space Parkland – Acquire open space to protect/restore bottomland forests and greenways.

Flood Plain - Related Parkland

- Twin Creeks Arroyo Doble Project – Purchase selected homes at the Bear/Onion Creek confluence as recommended by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).
- Thoroughbred Farms Project – Purchase selected homes in Thoroughbred Farms Subdivision that have suffered repeated damage from floods.
- Timber Creek Subdivision Project – Purchase selected remaining properties that are in the 25-year floodplain in accordance with the USACE.
- Quietie Drive/Walnut Creek Project – Purchase selected homes endangered by erosion.

Total Cost of Proposition 2: \$ 62,150,000

Proposition 3 - Jail Facility Improvements

This project at the Travis County Correctional Complex will:

- Design and construct in accordance with Texas Commission on Jail Standards a facility to accommodate county jail populations in a more efficient manner that will replace buildings past their useful life.
- Construct central chiller plant to reduce utility costs.
- Expand Records & Property storage, remodel Pharmacy, and improve Visitation Center and Central Security Control to meet demands.

Total Cost of Proposition 3: \$ 23,500,000



2005 Travis County Bond Election

November 8, 2005

Tuesday

Travis County will hold a bond election Tuesday, November 8, in conjunction with the State Constitutional Amendment election. Early voting will begin Monday, October 24, and end Friday, November 4. For additional information about Early Voting or Election Day polling locations and hours, contact the Travis County Clerk's Election Division at 854-4996 or visit Travis County's website at www.co.travis.tx.us and click on Elections.

? Why do we have bond elections?

Bond elections allow voters to approve or reject long-term financing for major County Capital Improvement Projects. Financing projects through bond authorizations allows the County to pay for improvements over 20 years, rather than funding the projects with current funds. This method of financing allows for the current and the next generation of citizens to pay their share of the cost of improvements.

? What are bonds?

Bonds are sold to borrow money to pay for major capital projects such as roads, drainage, jails and parks. The proposed bonds are general obligation bonds and will be repaid over the next twenty years from property taxes.

General Obligation Bond Authority: \$150,875,000

Proposition	Amount
1. Roads, Road-Related Drainage, Right-of-Way	\$65,225,000
2. Parks and Open Space Parkland	\$62,150,000
3. Jail Facility Replacement Beds & Renovations	\$23,500,000

Impact for a Typical Homeowner	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11
Projected Value of Average Homestead *	\$ 203,526	\$ 209,632	\$ 215,921	\$ 222,398	\$ 229,070	\$ 235,942
Estimated issuance of debt **	\$39,375,000	\$32,530,000	\$31,665,000	\$20,580,000	\$15,705,000	\$11,020,000
Net impact to homestead owner ***	\$ 0	\$ 4.78	\$ 9.60	\$ 12.28	\$ 10.24	\$ 7.43

* Increased 3% annually beyond FY 06; homestead exemption of 20% incorporated into cost projections.

** This line totals \$150,875,000. This estimated schedule could change.

*** Net impact from the above estimated bond issuances, future scheduled debt retirement, and other scheduled future borrowing.

This information is designed to provide general descriptions of the three bond propositions recommended by the Travis County Citizens Advisory Committee and placed on the ballot by the Travis County Commissioners Court.