



Legislation Text

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Discussion of issues relating to City of Deer Park capital projects 2021-2025.

Summary:

On May 1, 2021, the Deer Park voters approved General Obligations bond propositions A-D and the continuation of the one-half of one percent economic development Type B sales and use tax (proposition E) as follows:

- A) \$19,500,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the design, construction, acquisition, and equipment of drainage improvements and the acquisition of land, easements, and rights-of-way in connection therewith.
- B) \$16,900,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the design, construction, acquisition, and equipment of fire department facilities, including a new Fire Station #1, Fire Station #2, and training room.
- C) \$7,200,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the design, construction, acquisition, and equipment of streets and sidewalks, including related storm drainage and paving improvements, and the acquisition of easements and rights-of-way in connection therewith.
- D) \$22,300,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the design, construction, acquisition, and equipment of a new Jimmy Burke Activity Center, which will include a visitor center and museum.
- E) Type B economic development sales and use tax within the City at the rate of one-half of one percent, as authorized by chapters 501 and 505 of the Texas Local Government Code for the promotion and development of the additional purpose of land, buildings, equipment, facilities, and improvements (including the maintenance and operating costs thereof) found by the board of directors of the Deer Park Community Development Corporation to be required or suitable for use for the following: amateur sports, children's sports, athletic, entertainment and public park purposes and events, including ball parks, parks and park facilities, and open space improvements (including (i) a community/recreation center complex with indoor pool, gymnasium, and indoor track and (ii) an outdoor pool and/or pool related facilities); related concession and automobile parking facilities; related roads, streets, and water and sewer facilities; and other related improvements that enhance any of the above.

There are a number of capital projects that the City will be undertaking pursuant to the approval of these propositions. This will involve selling the General Obligation bonds and Certificates of Obligation, procuring architectural/engineering design services, and procuring construction services. In addition, there are a number of capital projects that were approved in the FY 2020-2021 Budget that are already in the process of one or more of the following: construction, design, consulting procurement, grant administration, or interlocal partnership agreement discussions. This will involve a

considerable amount of effort for planning, scheduling, financing, procurement, and management of these projects.

Attached is a list of capital projects for the period of 2021-2025 that will result from the 2021 General Obligation Bond and Type B elections, and the approved FY 2020-2021 Budget. Note that this does not include water or wastewater projects or additional budgeted projects that may be added in upcoming approved budgets. In addition, the City expects to receive approximately \$7,300,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant funds.

Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:

GO Bonds and Type B economic development sales tax were approved by the voters. Budgeted projects were approved in the FY 2020-2021 Budget.

Discussion only.