



City of San Antonio

Streets & Sidewalks Committee – 12/12/06

2007-2012 Bond Program

Committee Comments/Questions

- Most projects are only on the North side. The South Side is in more need of attention because of growth. This is a “City-wide” Bond Program. Shouldn’t we be concerned about south San Antonio streets such as: Presa, Roosevelt, etc.?
 - Terrell McCombs stated local streets are primarily taken care of by the General Fund. The Bond Program should concentrate on collector and arterial streets, etc. Tom Wendorf elaborated on General Fund projects and how they work. Tom will bring the map of drainage and streets projects that will be addressed in the 5-Year Infrastructure Management Program at the next meeting scheduled for December 19, 2006.
- Why was the Ray Ellison project chosen over Media Base Rd.?
 - Mr. Wendorf stated more progress could be made on the Ray Ellison project. The problem with Medina Base Rd. is the road funnels down into a valley increasing the drainage problems and associated cost.
- Has the City gone after leverage dollars from the military to help fix Fort Sam Houston projects?
 - Mr. Wendorf stated there is potential for Federal dollars but the City must have money to leverage the federal dollars. Efforts in funding future projects will be scaled back if the City leverages money and does not get the Federal funding needed.
- Why are drainage needs showing up in “streets” projects? Why can’t drainage needs be included in the “drainage” portion of the Bond Program?
 - Tom explained there are almost always drainage needs associated with street projects. Drainage needs are a major component of street projects. We will provide you a list of drainage projects to review in relation to this question at the next meeting scheduled for December 19, 2006.
- The Board is doing too much talking about staff projects and would like to start talking about making decisions.
 - Terrell McCombs thanked the Committee Member for the comment.
- Why is the Octavia project not being included in the Bond Program recommendations?
 - Tom stated this project is being proposed as one of the 2007 County Bond Program Drainage Projects.
- I believe south San Antonio needs more attention in this Bond Program.
- During the FY 2007 Budget Hearings, staff told people who had concerns about sidewalks and streets they would be addressed by the Bond Program. I do not see anything regarding neighborhoods in the recommendations, why?
 - There are many other programs associated with assisting the city in neighborhood projects, not just the Bond Program such as: Neighborhood Access Mobility Program (NAMP), Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 108, Advanced Transportation District (ATD), etc.
- Regarding the concern for geographic equity, the Committee’s responsibility is to analyze the projects and review staff’s recommendation using the top ten criteria and the \$300 million allocation.
- Mr. Wendorf will provide an overview of the A.T.D. at the next meeting scheduled for December 19, 2006

- There is a high concern for public safety around schools.

Citizen Comments/Questions

- Eigenio Rodriguez
 - (Citizen handed out a document to address his issue) Drainage on San Felipe Rd. is very poor. Children play in the water holes created by poor streets and are not safe.