

**CITY OF SANTA FE
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 14, 2009 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
12002 HWY. 6
SANTA FE, TEXAS**

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Ralph Stenzel.

Roll Call:	Present:	Mayor Ralph Stenzel Mayor Pro-tem Jeff Tambrella Councilmember Bubba Jannett Councilmember Rebecca A. Darden Councilmember Jim Abney City Manager Joe Dickson Director of Administrative Services Pamela Wood
	Absent:	Councilmember Joe Carothers, excused City Attorney Ellis J. Ortego, excused City Secretary, Janet L. Davis, excused

Business:

a. Discussion of bond initiative for police department/municipal court complex, library expansion, and street improvements.

City Manager Joe Dickson reported that the 2009-2017 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) included projects for the library expansion, police department, and street improvements. Diana Steelquist, Director of Community Services, gave information on the CIP identifying what the annual capital budget needs are and possible sources of funding. The CIP will help elected officials and the public stay informed. The plan includes a new police/court building, street improvements, street department building, and the library expansion. The projection for the new police/court building is estimated to cost \$4,359,150. This amount includes a 5% inflation per year and estimated cost in year of project being completed in 2014. This figure adds in \$51,700 for programming costs in 2009 and 2010. These estimates are for budgetary purposes only, and these numbers are expected to change. The street department building is proposed to be a 1,200 sq. ft. facility with office space, meeting room/break room, and bathroom and shower facilities. The current structure is inadequate although some repairs have been made following Hurricane Ike. There is no shower on site and the bathroom is in very poor condition. Final costs would be approximately \$123,480 with projected completion anticipated in 2011. Street improvements would be for an on-going goal to pave/repair 4 miles of roadway per year. The cost of one mile of pavement is currently estimated at \$100,000. A five year total cost would be \$2,610,253 with a 5% annual inflation included. The Mae S. Bruce Library Expansion is estimated to cost \$3,589,293 including both renovation and expansion. This figure is based on a study that was done two years ago for the library. This estimation is for projected completion in 2012.

Minutes (cont.)

b. Consideration and possible action: Selection of program design consultant for bond initiative projects
City Manager Joe Dickson reported that a project manager/architect is needed to develop a design of the proposed bond initiative projects to discuss with staff and council and then to be presented to the public. RFQ's were handed out for architectural companies last week to council. One wasn't included: Jeff Gerber of Houston with PGAL. Councilmember Abney spoke about PBK since he has had experience with them through SFISD. Councilmember Tambrella also spoke about PBK and their experience in Dickinson. He was impressed with their communications with so many diverse people involved. Councilmember Darden liked the fact that PBK had submitted RFQ'S for the police department and the library. Motion by Councilmember Darden, seconded by Councilmember Tambrella to select PBK as the program design consultant for the bond initiative projects. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

c. Discussion of 2008 annexation zoning plan

Community Services Director Diana Steelquist reported that there were three areas annexed last year: Area A, on north FM 646 between 4th Street and 2nd Street; Area B, east on FM 1764; and Area C, south on FM 646. Area C is proposed to be zoned highway commercial to allow for the greatest possible use. There are two tracts proposed to be zoned light manufacturing. Area A needs changes to reflect business use so current businesses may continue to operate in a conforming zone. Basically, anything with highway frontage is proposed to be zoned commercial for the most part, and anything back from the highway is proposed as residential. In Area B there is some residential commercial due to existing businesses. The 2008 annexation zoning plan is scheduled to be presented next month.

Motion by Councilmember Jannett, seconded by Councilmember Darden to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

RALPH STENZEL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Pamela Wood, Dir. of Admin. Svcs.