



MEMORANDUM

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To: Chairman and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee

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Re: **Future Bond Election Planning – Update and Recommendations for the September 20, 2013 Bond Advisory Committee Meeting**

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I. BACKGROUND

Since the Bond Advisory Committee (BAC; the Committee) last met on June 14, 2013, there have been many new developments related to a proposed bond issue in Pima County.

This memorandum outlines these issues for your consideration at the September 20, 2013 meeting.

II. PROJECTS

A. Updates to BAC's Tentatively Approved Projects

At the January 18, 2013 meeting, the BAC asked staff to review the Committee's Tentatively Approved project list for possible updates given all of the time that had elapsed since the tentative approval of many of the projects. In February, I provided the BAC with recommended updates. After receiving requests in April and May for new bond projects and revisions to tentatively approved bond projects, I provided another iteration of updates to the Committee. At the June 14 BAC meeting, the Committee approved the deletion of 10 projects no longer needed from the Tentatively Approved project list, reducing the bond allocation from \$650 million to \$579 million.

At the BAC's September 20, 2013 meeting it is recommended the Committee continue to update the Tentatively Approved Projects List by considering the changes itemized in this memorandum and summarized in the attached tables (Attachment A). These include the latest version of the updates provided prior to the June 14 meeting. If the Committee was to approve all of these changes, the Tentatively Approved Projects List would be reduced to \$521.9 million.

Regardless of the timing of a future bond election, keeping these projects up to date will make it easier for the public, the BAC and staff to track these projects over time. Currently, there are two project description sheets for many of the projects; one for the BAC-approved version and one for the updated version. To reduce confusion, the updated versions were included in the survey and are posted on the County's bond website.

I understand that some of these changes may be more controversial than others. Some are more significant than just updating costs and scope. The BAC could, for instance, choose to defer action on the following projects to allow for more time to consider the recommended changes:

- Habitat Protection Priorities Reduction
- Affordable Housing Reduction
- Neighborhood Reinvestment Reduction
- City of Tucson Urban Greenways Deletion
- Velodrome Deletion

1. *Revisions to Tentatively Approved Projects (projects highlighted in red)*

Of the 83 Tentatively Approved projects 27 are highlighted in red on the attached tables because of requests for changes to scope, funding or project need. If the BAC approved funding revisions to all 27 projects (some increased, some decreased), the bond funding allocation for the tentatively approved projects would be reduced overall by a net \$18.8 million.

HP103 – Archaeological Site Acquisitions: Marana Mounds, Cocoraque Butte: Increase Funding

The BAC approved \$1.5 million for this project in 2010. Staff is now requesting \$4.4 million based on revised cost estimates due to the Marana Mounds acreage now including the private portion of the site, as well as the fact that matching grant funds through Growing Smarter State legislation will no longer be available from State Parks to assist with purchase of the State Trust land portion of the Marana Mound Site.

HP111 – Steam Pump Ranch Rehabilitation: Scope change and increase funding

This project was approved by the BAC for \$2 million in 2009. Since then, the Town of Oro Valley has completed the initial stabilization and restoration of a historic ranch house, preparation of the master plan and site improvements sufficient to open the site to the public. The Town is proposing scope changes to proceed to the next phase of the master plan, which would include stabilization and rehabilitation of another historic house, development of new community event facilities and other infrastructure improvements. The Town is requesting that bond funding be increased to \$4 million.

OS1 – Davis Monthan Approach Corridor Open Space Acquisitions: Project No Longer Needed

In the 2004 bond authorization, this category received \$10 million in funding. These funds have been fully expended. The most significant ownership of land now in the Davis-Monthan Approach and Departure Corridors is State Trust land. These lands are substantial and total approximately 3,800 acres. The BAC tentatively approved \$5 million for the category. The County's Economic Development Action Plan included a recommendation to increase the amount to \$10 million.

Recent voter approval of Proposition 119, however, makes future bond funding for this purpose unnecessary. Proposition 119 permits exchanges of State Trust land for other public lands if the purpose is to preserve and protect military facilities from encroaching development. Federal, state or local public land could be exchanged for the State Trust

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land located within the Davis-Monthan Approach and Departure Corridors. A single block of ownership would add significant operational flexibility if such exchanges resulted in allowing the former State Trust lands to be owned or leased by the U.S. Air Force for compatible uses, thereby expanding the operational land surface area of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, as well as preventing urban encroachment. Given this new alternative, I recommend this project be deleted.

OS2 – Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands: Reduce funding

In the 2004 bond authorization, \$112 million was approved for the purchase of properties identified as Habitat Protection Priorities. These monies have all been expended and resulted in the County purchasing 43,444 acres of important natural areas and 129,708 acres of State grazing leases throughout Pima County. In 2009, the County entered into an agreement to purchase the last, large privately owned property in Pima County, the Marley Ranch, over three phases. When completed, the Marley Ranch will be the County's single largest conservation area. Phase 1 included the County's purchase of 6,337 acres completed in 2009 and options to acquire the remaining property over two additional phases. The options were amended in 2011 to extend the deadlines due to the delay of a future bond election and to permit Freeport McMoRan Copper and Gold, Inc. to purchase a portion of the lands, 2,283 acres, for mitigation for their operations at their Sierrita copper mine. These amendments reduced the County's total price for the options from \$80 million to \$65.8 million for the remaining 15,000 acres, which equates to a savings of \$14.2 million. I would add that even at \$65.8 million, which is roughly \$4,400 per acre, the property is substantially overvalued by \$10 or \$20 million. This bond category, Habitat Protection Priorities, could be reduced by at least the \$14 million savings, from \$110 million to \$96 million.

CD1 – Affordable Housing Program: Reduce funding

The Affordable Housing Program, when allocated at \$10 million in the 2004 program, was sufficiently funded. The 2004 Affordable Housing Program has almost been fully expended, with expenditures totaling approximately \$9.22 million. In addition, 96 percent of the housing bond projects completed and approved for funding are located within the City of Tucson. Given the significant decline in market value of housing since the Great Recession, there should be much less pressure to advance affordable housing programs; hence, the need to increase the allocation in the next bond authorization is questionable. I recommend it be set at the same value it was in the 2004 bond program at \$10 million, as opposed to the \$30 million tentatively approved by the BAC. If there is a desire to increase this funding to \$20 million and since 96 percent of funding has been spent inside the City of Tucson, the program could be amended to require an equal match from the benefiting jurisdiction thus doubling the overall program value.

CD2 – Neighborhood Reinvestment Program: Reduce funding

For the 2004 program, the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program was set at \$20 million. Implementation of the program provided that total funding of \$500,000 could be received for each project. There has been significant difficulty implementing neighborhood reinvestment projects within the City of Tucson from a project administration and implementation perspective.

Of the 2004 Neighborhood Reinvestment bond funds, about 67 percent were spent or were allocated (three pending projects) for projects within the City of Tucson (see Table 1 below).

Table 1: Neighborhood Reinvestment Projects by Location.

Location	Number of Projects	Percent of Projects	Expenditures, Percent of Total
City of Tucson	38	70%	67%
Unincorporated Pima County	12	22%	25%
City South Tucson	3	6%	6%
Town of Marana	1	2%	2%

In almost all cases, the City has not provided any matching funds for even the small percentages necessary for project design and construction management. Given past difficulties with implementation of the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program through other jurisdictions, I recommend the program not be expanded to the \$30 million tentatively approved by the BAC and that the original allocation of \$20 million in 2004 be set for any future bond authorization. I would further recommend that no more than 25 percent of the amount be used for items traditionally funded through jurisdictions' transportation budgets. If the BAC has a strong desire to fund this program at \$30 million, I suggest that matching funds of one third from benefiting jurisdictions be required, which would, in effect, bring the program back up to the \$30 million originally approved by the Committee.

FM35 – West Valencia Branch Library: Increase funding

The BAC tentatively approved \$6 million for the West Valencia Library. Pima County Facilities Management is asking for an increase to \$8 million based on 2013 construction costs and their experience constructing the Wheeler Taft Abbett Library in Marana.

FM45 – Sahuarita Branch Library: Increase funding

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The BAC tentatively approved \$6.67 million for the Sahuarita Library in 2009. Pima County Facilities Management is asking for an increase to \$8 million based on 2013 construction costs and their experience constructing the Wheeler Taft Abbott Library in Marana.

FM51 – Flowing Wells Branch Library: Increase funding

The BAC Tentatively approved \$2.91 million for the Flowing Wells Library expansion. Similar to FM35 and 45, the bond funding allocation was reassessed to update costs. Staff is now asking for \$3.1 million in bond funding.

FM77 – Fairgrounds Infrastructure Improvements: Scope change and increase funding

This project was tentatively approved by the BAC for \$3 million in 2009. The revised proposal removes the recreational vehicle park component of the project and replaces it with redevelopment of the exhibit buildings, which resulted in an increased cost estimate overall. The bond funding request is now \$3,741,381. This project will continue to further the Board of Supervisors' economic development and tourism goals.

FM84 – Marana Health Center Expansion: Scope change

The BAC tentatively approved this project for \$3 million in 2010. Marana Health Center was able to complete the work in the original project request through other means. As a result, they are now asking for the same amount of bond funding for Phase III, which would include construction of an annex to the main facility. The Committee should note that there could be legal and accountability concerns with the County providing bond funding for this project. Such is discussed in more detail later in this memorandum.

FM107 – Tucson Children's Museum: Increase funding

This project was tentatively approved by the BAC for \$5 million in 2010. The Tucson Children's Museum originally requested \$6 million. I originally recommended \$5 million in 2008 and 2009. More recently, in the County's Economic Development Action Plan approved by the Board of Supervisors in 2012, I recommended full funding of \$6 million for this project.

FM108 – East Side Government/Community Center, Park Sheriff Substation, Library: Increase funding

The BAC tentatively approved \$14 million for this project in 2010. It is recommended that the bond funding allocation for this project be increased to \$15 million to account for

revised cost estimates for constructing libraries. A new project was proposed earlier this year to develop a library at The University of Arizona Science and Technology Park (UA Tech Park) instead of including it as part of this FM108 project at Houghton Road and Mary Ann Cleveland Way. When the Committee discusses new projects, and if the decision is made to locate the library at the UA Tech Park instead of at this location, then this project could later be amended to eliminate the library and the cost associated with it.

FM109 – Pima Air and Space Museum – Cold War Hangar: Scope change, increase bond funding and decrease other funding

The BAC tentatively approved this project for \$4 million in 2010, along with \$7.5 million in other funding. The County's Economic Development Action Plan included a new proposal for \$8 million in bond funding for a University of Arizona Space Gallery (UA Space Gallery) displaying artifacts and exhibits related to the significant contributions made by the University to the exploration of space. It has been determined that the UA Space Gallery project is not feasible due to lack of artifacts to display. I and the Pima Air and Space Museum propose withdrawing the Space Gallery project and instead expand the Cold War Hangar project to include a 200-seat theater. In addition, the other funding of \$7.5 million was apparently misunderstood and should be \$4 million. As a result of the added theater and reduction in other funding, the request is to increase the bond funding from \$4 million to \$10 million. The museum is one of the top five air and space museums in the world. This bond project would double the indoor display gallery space, allowing guests to view the diverse collection of aircraft and aviation displays in comfort significantly increasing the time spent at the museum.

PR6 – Reid Park Zoo Africa Expansion: Remove

The BAC tentatively approved \$3.75 million toward the construction of an elephant exhibit in 2009. The project has since been completed with other funding and should, therefore, be removed from the Committee's Tentatively Approved Projects List. The City of Tucson submitted what is essentially a new project to develop a hippopotamus exhibit at the zoo for \$3.75 million. The BAC should consider this new request when new projects are considered.

PR13 – Southeast Regional Park (to be renamed Esmond Station Regional Park): Scope change and funding increase

The BAC tentatively approved \$2.4 million in 2009 for this project. Earlier this year, Pima County acquired 280 acres at Houghton and Mary Ann Cleveland Way, which included the historic Esmond Station Site, at public auction from the Arizona State Land Department. This is the property needed for this project and the FM108 project. It is now proposed that

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the scope of the project change to include six lighted athletic fields, restroom facilities, maintenance building, basketball court, utility upgrades, paths, picnic areas, parking and preservation of the historic Esmond Station Site. It is also proposed that the bond funding request increase to \$6.8 million.

PR18 – El Pueblo Center Improvements: Increase funding

The BAC tentatively approved \$2 million for this project in 2009. Cost estimates submitted by the City of Tucson were initially done in 2006. Since then, the construction cost estimates have risen. Their request is for bond funding to be increased to \$2.5 million.

PR19 – Freedom Center Expansion: Scope change and increase funding

The BAC tentatively approved \$2 million in 2009. The City of Tucson is now requesting a scope change and bond funding increase to \$2.5 million. If approved, the project scope would include improvements to Freedom pool, including a new slide, installation of non-slip decking, a modernized pump room and vessel upgrades.

PR28 – Lincoln Park Improvements: Scope change

The BAC tentatively approved \$1.5 million for this project in 2009. The City of Tucson is now requesting a complete scope change from a pedestrian path system, picnic area with ramadas, lighting improvements and associated infrastructure, to design and construction of two soccer fields or a new four field complex with lights and associated amenities. The funding request remains the same.

PR103 – Rillito Racetrack Conversion: Scope change

The BAC tentatively approved \$14 million in 2009. This project is to finish the conversion of the Rillito Racetrack to a regional soccer complex. A number of soccer facilities have already been built on the property. As part of the 2004 bond program, a recreation center was planned by the City of Tucson. The City now desires to construct additional athletic fields and recreational facilities at this location. The funding originally set aside for the recreational complex will be applied to a phased improvement plan that will allow the completion and construction of several more soccer fields, improved access, public restrooms, circulation and parking. Originally, I had anticipated we would be able to reduce the amount for this project based on the City's funding. However, in the interim, racetrack enthusiasts had the property listed with the State Historic Preservation Office, which will require additional mitigation of the site; costs that were not anticipated. This project is highlighted for a scope change only. This project will also be discussed in the

Re-justified section for PR266 Pima County Southeast Regional Park (Fairgrounds) Horseracing Facility.

PR115 – Ted Walker Park Sporting Dog Training Site: Scope change

The BAC tentatively approved \$2.5 million for this project in 2009. The current proposal is to expand the scope to include meeting rooms for dog training and veterinary clinics with no change to the project cost.

PR137 – BAJA Seniors Sports Complex: Decrease funding

The BAC tentatively approved \$4 million for this project in 2010. The County has invested \$500,000 in the project to date. I recommend we decrease the bond funding from \$4 million to \$3.5 million.

PR140 – Ajo Detention Basin Park: Decrease funding

The BAC tentatively approved \$2.2 million for this project in 2011. The Ajo Detention Basin Park is substantially complete. The allocation of \$2.2 million should be reduced to \$500,000 to allow for the construction of a number of additional shaded basketball courts on the park property.

PR181 – Sahuarita Pool and Recreation Complex/YMCA: Increase funding

The BAC tentatively approved \$12,652,000 for this project in 2010. The Town of Sahuarita submitted revised cost estimates for the pool project and is requesting that the tentatively approved bond funding allocation be increased to \$15,880,500. The Town is currently holding public meetings to determine whether to move the project from Anamax Park to a site owned by Rancho Sahuarita near the Town Hall. The Town is also currently working on an operational agreement with the YMCA. In the past, we asked the Town whether this project could be constructed in phases, thereby reducing the initial County bond investment. The Town responded that phasing the project was not possible; however, most other large recreational projects approved by the Committee have been built in phases. Numerous examples of such phased construction exist.

PR201 – Oury Pool Renovations: Increase funding

The BAC tentatively approved \$620,000 for this project in 2010. City of Tucson Councilmember Regina Romero's office submitted a request to revise the scope to include more detail on proposed improvements and increase bond funding to \$1.5 million. According to their information, the pool needs significant renovations to be operational.

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The project scope will bring the pool up to national design recommendations for pool accessibility and operation and expand the features of the pool to meet the needs of all users, including a slide, splash area and zero depth pool entry.

PR210 – Bureau of Reclamation Sports Park: Scope change and increase funding

The BAC tentatively approved this project for \$10 million in 2010. The Town of Marana is requesting that the scope be expanded and the bond funding increased to their original request of \$17.5 million. The scope change, if approved, would increase the number of soccer fields from 10 to 18 fields, 5 softball fields to 12 fields, and 5 baseball fields to 12 fields. An equestrian center with indoor and outdoor arenas, stalls and a trailhead for the Central Arizona Project (CAP) trail system are also planned for this site. It should be noted that in the most recent list of priorities provided by the Town, the Mayor and Council dropped the priority of this project to Number 7 (from Number 2 in 2007). In addition, when reviewing the survey results, the residents with zip codes in the Northwest/Marana area did not rank this project within their top 15 parks and recreational type projects. Mayor and Council have made it clear that their highest priority project is now the Marana Heritage and Cultural Center, which was also ranked number one in the survey by those residing in the Northwest/Marana area. For these reasons, the Committee may want to consider dropping this project and replacing it with a bond allocation for the Marana Heritage and Cultural Center when the Committee considers new proposals.

PR217 – James D. Krieh Park Upgrades: Scope change and increase funding

The BAC tentatively approved PR217 for \$1 million in 2009. The Town of Oro Valley is now requesting \$3 million for an expanded scope that would include extension and reconstruction of Egleston Drive between Linda Vista and Calle Concordia and additional parking. The \$2 million increase is primarily due to the proposed road improvement.

2. *Re-justifications (projects highlighted in blue)*

Of the 83 Tentatively Approved projects, I identified 13 projects, which are highlighted in blue on the tables in Attachment A, because I feel these projects are in substantial need of re-justification. If the Committee approves all of these, the bond funding allocation for the tentatively approved projects would be reduced by an additional \$38.1 million.

FM1 – Pima County One Stop Career Center: Scope change and funding increase to add Literacy Connects/Job Path facility

The Committee approved \$4.5 million in 2009 for the development of a new Pima County One Stop Career Center to replace the existing west side facility that is located in leased

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space. More recently the Committee received a proposal for a new \$6 million facility to house two non-profit organizations, Literacy Connects and Job Path. Both projects scored top in their category on the bond survey. It may make more sense to house all of these services in one facility, instead of two. There could be cost saving, both from an initial bond funding perspective and long term operating costs. For now, I recommend the Committee approve the concept of combining these facilities for a total cost of \$10.5 million. After undertaking more specific facilities planning in the future, the bond funding cost may be able to be reduced slightly.

FM11 – Kino Health Campus Improvements

This project was originally approved in 2007 and was designed to be primarily related to health education, providing a full spectrum of allied health professional training, as well as nursing training, by Pima Community College. Given the passage of time and changing management at Pima Community College, it is likely such would not be the priority of the College; and such a facility may not be a priority for optimal medical education and service delivery at the Kino Health Campus. Present utilization of the Kino Health Campus has pointed more toward a need for medical office space to complement service delivery through The University of Arizona Medical Center-South Campus, as well as for the delivery of behavioral health services through the Behavioral Health Pavilion and Crisis Response Center. The majority of critical psychiatric and behavioral health services continue to be provided at the Kino Health Campus for the entire community through the regional behavioral health authority.

The original allocation of \$40 million should continue to be reserved for capital and facility improvements on the Kino Health Campus. I will be asking all of our partners in healthcare and medical training, as well as biosciences, to collaborate on developing an appropriate expenditure plan that maximizes the delivery of medical and healthcare services, as well as provides expanding economic development opportunities in the professional and paraprofessional healthcare fields. When a plan is developed, it will be sent to the BAC for review and comment.

FM97 – Teresa Lee Clinic Relocation: No change

With the opening of the Modern Streetcar, the Teresa Lee Health Clinic, presently housed in a 1950s vintage building formerly the juvenile detention facility called Mother Higgins, needs to be demolished and replaced. The County's new Health Director, Dr. Francisco Garcia, is developing a communitywide public health services delivery plan, which will optimize the location and number of public health facilities and clinics throughout Pima County.

The existing location remains viable for the development of new public health facilities if an optimal service delivery plan prepared by the Health Director is approved by the Board of Health and the Board of Supervisors. If such occurs, \$4 million should continue to be reserved for reconstruction. If not, it is still appropriate to reserve additional funding, as this County-owned site along the Modern Streetcar becomes of significant importance in the tourism element of the County's adopted Economic Development Action Plan and a component of a potentially complex art museum and visitors center plan that links downtown and Tumamoc Hill.

FM110 – Elections Equipment: Reduce funding

The BAC approved \$5 million for this project in April 2010. In reviewing this project earlier this year, I was concerned that the new, nationally certified, optical scanning and tabulating election equipment would not be available for purchase for some time and that certification of the equipment may still be under review. However, staff has confirmed the equipment is currently available for purchase and has met the necessary certification (see Attachment B). In addition, cost estimates for the equipment have decreased. I am now recommending this project remain on the Committee's Tentatively Approved Projects List but be reduced from \$5 million in bond funding to \$2.4 million.

PR75 – Green Valley Performing Arts Center Phase 3: Delete project

The BAC approved \$16 million for this project in March 2010. The first and second phases of this center were funded with 1997 and 2004 bond funds. The foundation that operates the Community Performing Arts Center was unable to support the operating and maintenance costs for this current fiscal year. The foundation requested General Fund support from the County and such was approved by the Board of Supervisors. Given the fiscal stress associated with operating the existing facility, the foundation and I recommend the \$16 million proposal to develop Phase 3 of the facility be deleted.

PR235 – Freedom Park Adult Learning Center: Delete project

The BAC approved \$4 million for this project in May 2010. Since then, Pima Community College acquired and modified a nearby school for the purpose of providing adult educational services. As a result, we have notified Pima Community College in writing that this bond project is no longer necessary.

PR34 – Urban Greenways, City of Tucson: Delete project

The BAC approved \$15 million for this project in November 2010 after the City of Tucson provided two presentations with very limited details beyond a general map showing

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segments that would be eligible for bond funding under this project. This is in sharp contrast to the level of detail developed for the County's Project PR278 River Park Acquisitions and Development Countywide. The County's project is backed by significant analysis, thousands of pages of research reduced to 64 individual project segment sheets, and maps that include right of way ownership, existing conditions, and detailed cost estimates to complete or bring each segment up to an agreed upon standard. The County's complete report can be accessed by the BAC and the public at http://webcms.pima.gov/UserFiles/Servers/Server_6/File/Government/The%20Loop/11061_2_River_Park_Initiative_Report.pdf. Attachment C shows the contrast between the details available for the City's project compared to the County's. We requested that the City provide a similar level of detail to support their bond project proposal and were told that they were willing to provide another presentation to the BAC but that the information would be similar to what has already been provided. It is, therefore, my recommendation that the BAC delete this project until additional details are provided by the City. This project appears to be more appropriate for the recently formed City of Tucson Bond Advisory Committee to consider for a City bond election.

PR35 – City of Tucson Sports Fields and Lighting: Expand scope and increase funding

The BAC approved \$10 million for this project in October 2010. The project description sheet lists 13 parks within the City of Tucson that would receive the bulk of the bond funding for replacement of existing lighting systems; 8 parks that would receive bond funding to light fields that are not currently lit; and 2 parks that would receive bond funding for development of new fields and lighting of those new fields.

I recommended this project be expanded to provide funding for every jurisdiction proportionate to their share of assessed valuation, with preference given to construction of new sports fields and lighting versus replacement of existing lighting. This summer, staff contacted each city and town to determine if they had projects that should be added to this umbrella project. No answer was received from the Town of Marana. The Town of Oro Valley preferred to keep their request for PR217 James D. Kriegh Park as a separate project. The same was true for the two new park proposals from the Town of Sahuarita (North Santa Cruz Park and Quail Creek-Veteran's Memorial Park). These three parks requests are of adequate size (\$3 million or greater) to justify separate bond projects. However, the Town of Sahuarita would be interested in adding components to the regional lighting project if their two new projects are not approved independently by the BAC. The City of South Tucson was not contacted as they do not have their own fields.

County staff developed a list of five County parks to add to the list for lighting replacement and five County parks to add to the list for lighting of fields not currently lit. In addition, staff reviewed and revised cost estimates for each subproject. As a result, I am

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recommending that these be added, the name be changed to Regional Sports Fields and Lighting and the bond funding be increased from \$10 million to \$15 million to adequately fund the project. See Attachment D for project sheet and revised cost estimate detail.

PR220 – Adaptive Recreation Center Expansion: Update scope

The BAC approved \$12 million for this project in October 2010. The existing project description sheet lacked specific details regarding the type of improvements to be made with the \$12 million in bond funding. Attachment E is a revised project description sheet that contains significantly more detail, including:

“The City of Tucson Mayor and Council adopted the master plan in 2000. The master plan identifies two major components of the center – an aquatic facility and a non-aquatic (‘dry’) facility. The aquatic facility was built using City of Tucson 2000 bond funds. The design and construction of the ‘dry’ facility is the scope of the proposed Pima County bond funded project, PR220. The dry facility will support therapeutic programming for a wide variety of disabilities. The planned ‘dry’ facility includes a kitchen for life skills, nutrition classes and social programming, a gym/multipurpose room for Special Olympics and sports programming (basketball, floor hockey, and team handball), a walking track with emergency call stations, frequent benches for rest and a surveillance system for walking clubs and a fitness room with accessible equipment. Other programming to address life skills, fitness, socialization, nutrition and developmental delays will occur in the planned rooms for changing clothes, aerobic exercise, arts and crafts, games, social gatherings, meetings, quiet respite and computer training. The associated parking facilities will have more accessible spaces than is minimally required by code.”

I recommend the BAC approve this updated scope for PR220.

PR231 – Arizona Velodrome Center at Kino Campus: Delete project

The BAC unanimously approved \$5 million for this project in November 2010 and in a separate motion, recommended 10 to 9 that the Velodrome be located at the Kino Campus. There has been discussion both by the BAC and independent of the BAC as to whether Kino Campus is the best location for such a facility. In addition, I forwarded a report to the BAC on May 23, 2013 that examined other existing and proposed velodromes worldwide. The report found that \$5 million may not be adequate to construct such a facility. In addition, it highlighted the importance of having a financial commitment for operations and maintenance. I then wrote to the group that proposed the project, Perimeter Bicycling Association (PBA), and requested that they develop a 25-year agreement for PBA to fund all operating and maintenance costs. I have not received a response. For this

reason, I ask that the BAC drop this project from the Tentatively Approved Projects List until such assurances are received.

PR266 – Pima County Southeast Regional Park (Fairgrounds) Horseracing Facility: Delete Project

The BAC approved \$6.5 million for this project in October 2009 to replace Rillito Racetrack, as it would be repurposed for a youth soccer tournament site per the BAC's approval of PR103. The Southwestern Fair Commission, which manages the County Fairgrounds and other facilities, recently completed a master planning effort. The \$6.5 million proposal for developing a horseracing facility at the Fairgrounds was not included in their master plan. There were several reasons for this. First, the proposed bond funding allocation for \$6.5 million was determined to be inadequate to construct such a facility. Second, horseracing in Arizona no longer appears to be a viable industry; and, therefore, the Commission was concerned about a lack of revenue to cover annual operating and maintenance costs. Third, there is a lack of space within the current footprint managed by the Commission to include such a facility without compromising the expansion plans for existing facilities. This issue is more apparent when you consider the facility would only be used for a few weeks each year but would take up space for the whole year.

The master plan did, however, include an option and cost estimates for a multiuse facility that could include a horseracing track (see this section of the master plan; Attachment F). I asked staff to review this information available and develop a bond project proposal for such a facility. Attachment G is a project description sheet for a \$27 million project for a multiuse facility that includes horseracing. Clearly, this is not affordable. I recommend the BAC delete this \$6.5 million project. At this time, there are no clear plans to replace horseracing at Rillito; and given the brief use of this valuable public asset for County Fair horseracing, the conversion to a regional soccer facility is appropriate. Pima County Fair horseracing days can be easily transferred to other County horseracing facilities in the state.

PR278 – River Park Acquisitions and Development Countywide: Update scope

The BAC approved \$20 million for this project in October 2010. On November 6, 2012, the River Park Initiative Report was provided to the Pima County Board of Supervisors. The full report may be accessed by the BAC and the public utilizing the link http://webcms.pima.gov/UserFiles/Servers/Server_6/File/Government/The%20Loop/110612_River_Park_Initiative_Report.pdf. This 126-page document provided an exhaustive review of the river park standards, current compliance of The Loop with those standards and costs to bring the entire system to the premium standard. This document reviewed the entire Loop and suggested up to 84 improvement projects that total over \$89 million.

Staff then used this report to develop a list of very specific projects that could be funded with the \$20 million bond project (Attachment H). Projects are prioritized and intended to be delivered in the priority order shown until the bond funding is expended. Table 2 below provides the suggested priority order of projects. The first 14 prioritized projects total approximately the \$20 million tentatively approved. If additional grant or external funding is found for individual projects, then additional prioritized projects beyond the initial expectations will be included.

Table 2: Suggested Priority Order for River Park Projects.

Reach/Project	River Park*	Map	BOS District	Project Cost	Priority Rank
Rillito (R) River Bridge Replacements	R		1,3,4	\$ 1,175,000	1
Rillito River Underpass Widening	R		1,3,4	2,000,000	2
Santa Cruz River (SCR) Underpass Program: Speedway, St. Mary's, Congress and Ina	SCR		1,3,5	2,250,000	3
Camino del Cerro to Ina (Future El Corazón River Park) (East Bank)	SCR	S12	1	4,050,000	4
SCR Pavement Improvement Program	SCR		1,3,5	2,000,000	5
Broadway to Fifth Street Wash (West Bank)	P	P7	4	895,000	6
Fifth Street Wash to Speedway (West Bank)	P	P8	4	449,000	7
Kenyon to Broadway (West Bank)	P	P6	2	230,000	8
Magee to Ina (South Bank)	CDO	C7	1	1,180,500	9
Dodge to Country Club (South Bank)	R	R5	3	1,915,000	10
North Boundary of Continental Ranch to Avra Valley Road (West Bank)	SCR	S15	3	444,000	11
Country Club to Kino Environmental Restoration Project (KERP) Outlet	J/TDC	J7	2	740,000	12
KERP Outlet to Campbell (West Bank)	J/TDC	J8	2	1,110,000	13
Twin Peaks to Avra Valley Road (East Bank)	SCR	S15	3	1,987,500	14
Avra Valley Road to Tangerine (East Bank)	SCR	S16	3	3,003,000	15
Drexel to Irvington (East Bank)	SCR	S2	5	4,150,000	16
Tanque Verde to Craycroft (South/West Bank)	P	P10	4	5,710,000	17

Harrison Connection: Valencia to Irvington	P	P1.5	2,4	1,300,000	18
River Park Enhancement Overall Total				\$34,589,000	

*SCR = Santa Cruz River; R = Rillito River; P = Pantano Wash; CDO = Cañada del Oro Wash; and J/TDC = Julian Wash/Tucson Detention Channel.

I recommend the BAC approve this updated scope for project PR278.

PR 280 School District Partnerships – Update Scope

In 2011, the Committee approved \$15 million for what would be a new category of bond funding for the development of ball fields and other recreational facilities at eight schools with the intent that the facilities would be used by both the public and the schools. These eight school proposals were recommended by the BAC’s Parks and Recreation Subcommittee in 2007 from a list of more than 20 original school proposals.

The Committee spent a substantial amount of time discussing this proposed new bond program prior to voting on it. I remained concerned about a lack of specific project scopes, who would pay the operations and maintenance costs for these facilities once built, and what type of commitments could be made to assure adequate public access to these bond funded facilities. In addition, the internal performance audit of projects built with 1997 and 2004 bond funds indicated there is a wide variation across school districts and how they manage and have access to partially or fully County bond funded public park improvements. Such variation is inappropriate.

As a result I asked staff to meet with representatives of these schools to revise the individual project scopes and develop uniform policies for who pays for maintenance costs and how public access is assured. A meeting was held on August 27, 2013, and BAC member Terri Hutts attended. School district representatives then met amongst themselves on September 6, 2013 and have stated they will provide a written summary of the meeting to us. We also received revised project scopes from a few of the school districts.

It is likely additional meetings will be necessary. Therefore, at this time, I am asking that the BAC continue to include this project on the list but expect revisions in the future. If we cannot reach agreement with the school districts, I will recommend this \$15 million project be deleted.

B. Additional Analysis of Survey Results

On August 15, 2013, I provided you a memorandum summarizing the initial results of the survey conducted by the County of various bond project proposals. The results of the survey have also been widely reported in the press. The press reports concentrated on individual projects rather than the overall interests of respondents that were solicited in the first part of the survey. In a few cases, there appears to be a disconnect between the interests of the voters and the actual proposed projects. It is also interesting to consider the bond funding amounts at both an aggregate (project type) level and individual project level. This section of the memorandum provides additional discussion on these topics. Results of the open-ended comment responses are now also available and provided herein.

1. *Disconnects Between Interests of Respondents and Actual Project Proposals*

The purpose of the first part of the survey was to gauge community interest in funding various types of projects (public health, libraries, transportation, etc.). The purpose of the second part of the survey was to have respondent's rank actual projects that have been proposed for bond funding within five categories.

Table 3 below shows the level of interest respondents showed for funding certain types of projects (ranked by extremely and very important to fund) and then compared to the number of actual project proposals that met that project type and the sum of bond funding requested for those actual projects. This is one way of assessing whether the number of actual project proposals and sum of bond funding for those projects being considered by the Committee is aligned with the interests of respondents.

Table 3: General Interests of Survey Respondents Compared to Actual Projects Proposed.

Project Types	% of Respondents Ranking Project Type as Extremely or Very Important	Number of Proposed Projects	Total Bond Funding Requested for Proposed Projects
Job Growth, Education and Workforce Training Facilities	69	14	\$203,162,500
Transportation Improvements	66 (33 EI)	2	100,772,000
Parks and Recreational Facilities	66 (32 EI)	57	273,130,500
Libraries and Community Facilities	63	32	298,299,210
Public Health Facilities	57	5	49,280,000
Historic, Cultural and Natural Areas Conservation	55	15	162,050,000
Neighborhood Reinvestment and Affordable Housing	43 (17 EI)	5	112,500,000
Flood Control Improvements	43 (15 EI)	5	24,700,000

*EI = Extremely Important

Respondents showed the highest level of interest in funding Job Growth, Education and Workforce Training Facilities, which aligns with some of the more recent bond projects proposed in the past two years by the County. However, the number of actual projects proposed that fit this category (14 projects) and the sum of bond funding requested (\$203 million) is not as high as the number of actual projects proposed and bond funding proposed for Parks and Recreational Facilities, Libraries and Community Facilities. It is important to note, though, that many projects not officially placed in this "job growth" category would, in fact, contribute to job growth; such as museum improvements and other projects that support job growth in the tourism sector of the economy.

While respondents are clearly interested in seeing more transportation improvements funded, there are only two actual transportation-related projects that have been proposed for bond funding, both of which were proposed because of their ability to stimulate job growth. Clearly, the community wants to see more transportation improvements. This was also evident in a significant number of responses to the open-ended comments question discussed later in this memorandum. Prior to this survey, I felt strongly that it was important to continue funding transportation improvements with non-general obligation bond funding sources such as Highway User Revenue Funds (HURF) and the sales tax revenues allocated to the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA); and that in the long term, significant changes must occur at the state and federal level regarding transportation funding. However, these survey results point toward some level of support for the use of County general obligation bonds for transportation improvements and/or maintenance. In response to this, please see the discussion of a potential new project on Page 24 of this memorandum.

The third highest category was Parks and Recreational Facilities, which the County has always indicated would be an important part of any future bond election. The number of actual projects proposed and bond funding proposed appears to align with the high level of interest shown by respondents for these types of projects.

Two other points are worth noting. The support for funding public health facilities was significantly higher than the number of actual projects and project funding proposed. However, if the nursing training facility proposed for Kino Health Campus had been included in the public health category instead of the workforce training category, it would have added \$40 million to public health. In addition, we are more aware of the important role parks and recreational facilities play in contributing to the physical and mental health of a community.

The comparatively low interest in funding neighborhood reinvestment and affordable housing projects and programs is counter to the ranking of the two actual County/region

wide projects in the second part of the survey. The County's neighborhood reinvestment and affordable housing programs ranked third and fourth when compared to actual projects listed under the "public health, flood control, neighborhood reinvestment and governmental facilities" category.

2. Bond Funding Requests for Actual Project Proposals by Category

The categories included in the second part of the survey were a variation of the categories or bond questions included in the BAC's Tentatively Approved project list and varied slightly from the project types listed in the first part of the survey. Respondents were asked to rank their top 5, 10 or 15 projects (depending on the category) under each category. Table 4 below shows the highest ranked projects by respondents in order under each project category and the total amount of bond funding requested for each.

Table 4: Highest Ranking Bond Projects by Category.

Historic, Cultural and Natural Area Conservation (Top 5)	
Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands	\$110,000,000
Community Open Space	10,000,000
Floodprone and Riparian Land Acquisition	10,000,000
Mission San Xavier East Tower Restoration	1,500,000
Performing Arts Center Rehabilitation	1,000,000
Subtotal	\$131,600,000
Public Health, Neighborhood Reinvestment and Governmental Facilities (Top 5)	
Pima County Animal Care Center Improvements	\$22,000,000
Pedestrian Safety and Walkability Improvements	50,000,000
Affordable Housing Program	30,000,000
Neighborhood Reinvestment Program	30,000,000
Pima County Forensic Science Center Expansion and Remodel	20,000,000
Subtotal	\$152,000,000
Libraries, Community Facilities and Museums (Top 10)	
Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum-Exhibits and Facility Expansion	\$ 4,000,000
Reid Park Zoo Hippo Exhibit	3,750,000
Tucson Children's Museum	6,000,000
Loft Cinema Renewal and Expansion	500,000
Tucson Wildlife Center, Inc. - Acquisition and Expansion	2,200,000
Pima Air and Space Museum Cold War Hangar and Theater	10,000,000
Colossal Cave Mountain Park Improvements	535,500
Downtown Stravenue/Wilde Way Pedestrian and Art Corridor	99,600,000
Sahuarita Food Bank and Multi-Agency Community Service Facility	300,000
Art of the American West - Tucson Art Museum	5,000,000
Subtotal	\$131,885,500

Table 4: Highest Ranking Bond Projects by Category.

Job Growth, Education and Workforce Training (Top 5)	
Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility	\$ 6,000,000
Pima County One Stop Career Center	4,500,000
Pima Community College Health Education Campus	40,000,000
Freedom Park Adult Learning Center	4,000,000
Pima County Small Business Entrepreneur and Academic Center	76,000,000
Subtotal	\$130,500,000
Parks and Recreation (Top 15)	
Reid Park Improvements	\$ 2,000,000
Swimming Pool Renovations	1,500,000
Public Natural Park Trailheads	2,000,000
Udall Park Expansion	4,000,000
River Park Acquisitions and Development Countywide	20,000,000
Kino Sports Complex Soccer and Multiuse Sport Improvements	5,500,000
Urban Greenways City of Tucson	15,000,000
School District Partnerships	15,000,000
City of Tucson Sports Fields and Lighting	10,000,000
Sentinel Park - A Mountain Park Improvement Project	2,500,000
Countywide Splash Pad Program	3,500,000
Rillito Racetrack Conversion	14,000,000
CAP Trail Program	10,000,000
Shooting Sports Program Site Improvements	3,000,000
Oro Valley and Linda Vista Trailheads	600,000
Subtotal	\$108,600,000
TOTAL	\$654,600,000

If the BAC were to only consider the highest ranked projects based on the results above, the total amount would be approximately \$654.6 million in bond funding for 40 projects.

3. Responses to the Open-Ended Survey Question

Survey respondents were also asked if they had any other comments to share with the BAC. Of the 16,958 completed surveys, 4,175 (25 percent) included comments in response to this open-ended question. Our consultant determined that some of these 4,175 comments addressed more than one bond project or issue, resulting in 5,666 distinct comments. These 5,666 distinct comments were sorted by bond project (and then by positive and negative comments), grouped under the same categories included in the second part of the survey. However, 3,960 comments (70 percent) were identified as not

applying to any specific project. Those were then sorted into 27 "non-project specific comment" categories.

It is important to note that our consultant was not as familiar as are staff and the BAC with many of the bond projects; and, therefore, we have found a few occurrences of project specific comments sorted into the "non-project specific" categories. We have not attempted to correct this, as it would have been too time consuming to accomplish prior to the September 20 BAC meeting. Additionally, when a comment covered multiple topics, the entirety of the comment was included under each project or non-project specific category addressed in the comment. Where respondents included their own names or contact information, staff has attempted to delete this personal information.

Attachment I shows how these comments were organized and the counts for each. The comments themselves are too numerous to include in this memorandum; however, they are located on the County's bond website organized by these tables at <http://webcms.pima.gov/cms/One.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=50549>. The comments are located below the tables, but links in the tables will take you to the first comment in that series.

Below is a brief summary of the comments followed by discussion of some of the more interesting findings.

- 30 percent of the distinct comments were about a specific bond project proposal.
- 70 percent of the distinct comments could not be linked to a specific bond project proposal.
- Of the project specific comments, 88 percent were positive, and 12 percent were negative. Half of the negative project specific comments were about the Rillito Racetrack Conversion project.
- The following bond project proposals received the most comments:
 - Pima Animal Care Center (335)
 - Community Open Space (179)
 - Loft Cinema (128)
 - Rillito Racetrack Conversion (126 – majority negative)
- The following non-project specific categories received the most comments:
 - Transportation/fix roads – general (560)
 - General comment/miscellaneous (350)
 - No bonds/anti-tax/no spend/keep to budget (319)
 - Suggested project not on list (263)
 - Specific transportation project, not a proposed bond project (222)
 - Economic development/job creation (219)

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- Specific parks/recreation/sports (212)
- Parks/recreation/sports, general (202)
- Survey, positive comment (185)
- Pedestrian/bicycle (176)

In reviewing the negative general comments (109), it was dismaying to find that so many confuse the County with other governmental agencies and blame the County for negative outcomes associated with these other governmental agencies. This need to educate the public about who does what was also a concern that arose out of the 2009 bond survey.

In reviewing the suggested project not on the survey list (263), many refer to a project that was not received in time to include in the survey, the Community Food Cooperative of Southern Arizona (43). Likewise, there were 25 comments in support of restoration of the ponds at Agua Caliente Park, which is a project that was just recently submitted.

C. Additional Comments

In addition to the survey results, we will continue to receive public comments through letters, emails, and verbal comments at BAC meetings. Attachment J contains comment letters and emails received since the last BAC meeting.

D. Jurisdictional Priorities

At the last meeting, the Committee requested that the Cities of Tucson and South Tucson and the Town of Sahuarita prioritize the projects for which they are seeking County bond funding. The Towns of Marana and Oro Valley already provided prioritized lists; and following the meeting, South Tucson and Sahuarita provided such lists. These prioritized lists are enclosed as Attachment K. We have been advised that the City of Tucson may request that their new bond advisory committee prioritize their County bond funding requests.

There has been discussion regarding whether the County will similarly prioritize our requests. As County Administrator, I can certainly provide my recommendations on project requests as I have in the past in response to requests from the Committee. I have done so in this memorandum for several of the changes requested to the Committee's tentatively approved projects and could do so in the future for the newly proposed projects should the Committee make such a request. However, the priorities of the County cannot be provided without a vote of the Board of Supervisors; and historically, the Board has supported the final recommendations of the BAC. It would be out of the ordinary to request such of the Board, since the Committee is advisory to the Board.

E. Additional New Project Requests

The August 5, 2013 report to the Committee contained project description sheets and applications of criteria for new projects received as of that date. Attachment L contains the new project requests received since that report, including \$300,000 for a new Elephant Head Volunteer Fire Department station, \$10 million for new exhibits and improvements to Old Tucson Studios (under transition to nonprofit ownership by the Arizona Sonora Western Heritage Foundation), and \$1 million for improvements to Agua Caliente Park and pond.

F. Potential New Project Based on Survey Results

The survey recently conducted at the request of the BAC included an option for providing an open-ended comment. Approximately 560 comments were categorized as "transportation/fix roads general," and another 222 comments were categorized as "specific transportation projects." An overwhelming message in these comments for which there was no bond question attached was simply "fix the roads." In the past, there has been some very brief discussions regarding having a general obligation bond road repair category where the funds would be distributed to each jurisdiction in proportion to their assessed value; thereby returning the tax revenues to the geographic area from which they are raised, which is a parallel with jurisdiction local street repair responsibility, i.e., the County handles the unincorporated area, and each jurisdiction handles the area within their jurisdiction.

A project category that could be considered by the BAC to respond to this sentiment would be a road repair category in which \$50 million would be set aside and distributed to each jurisdiction in proportion to their assessed value compared to the total assessed value of the County with a caveat that these funds would have to be matched equally with local jurisdictional funding, which simply means that a \$50 million bond program for road repair results in a \$100 million program. While this level of funding will not resolve the entire backlog of highway maintenance and repairs necessary in the community, it will demonstrate the community's priority to make meaningful and timely repairs and improve maintenance of the local highway system.

G. University of Arizona Proposals and Others in Significant Need of Refinement

As was briefly discussed at the Committee's last meeting, several of the new project requests are very conceptual in nature and will require significant research and planning before the proposals are ready for review by the Committee. These include the two University of Arizona proposals that currently total approximately \$176 million. For example, the \$99.6 million Downtown Stravenue/Wild Way Pedestrian and Art Corridor

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involves so many different organizations and components that it is likely to go through several iterations before something meaningful can be provided to the Committee. The idea of developing the roots of a downtown university campus appears to have merit, but time is needed to undertake the necessary planning and evaluation of the potential economic benefits necessary to quantify benefits to the region as a whole.

While the art proposal for downtown is a significant step in increasing the cultural attractiveness of downtown, it does require an immense amount of cooperation and coordination among many entities, including the various nonprofit arts organizations, the City of Tucson, The University of Arizona, and Pima County. The level of cooperation and coordination between these entities to accomplish the arts/museum component of cultural downtown project is unprecedented and will take time to achieve if the project is to be successful. Furthermore, such a proposal could be accomplished in a number of phased improvements over two to three bond authorizations.

While the business incubator concept related to The University of Arizona may have some difficulty regarding legal tests, other job creating activities related to The University of Arizona in coordination with County bonds could and should be considered, similar to those implemented by the City of Phoenix in partnership with Arizona State University. Job creation is an essential component of the County's Economic Development Action Plan; and based on survey results, it is a high community priority. Hence, efforts should be undertaken to re-engage The University of Arizona to discuss employment center development and how County bond funds could be leveraged with other funds and actions of the University to increase employment opportunities and created new job based on the intellectual capacity of the University system.

H. Economic Development and Transportation Corridor Funding

As the BAC knows, I have proposed several new transportation investment corridors for complementing and expanding the existing and future employment centers within the region. Already funded with regional funds is the relocation of Hughes Access Road and the establishment of the basic structure for an aerospace parkway. I also suggested that future bond funds be allocated to the development of high-capacity, high-speed surface transportation connection from Interstate 10 at Rita Road to the Old Nogales Highway. The funding initially requested for this project was an additional \$90 million in general obligation bond authorization.

Since that time, additional discussions among business, community and regional interests have occurred regarding a more expansive connection of Interstates 10 and 19, building on multiple corridor studies conducted by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) over the last 30 years. It is now time to seriously consider a functional surface

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transportation connection between Interstates 10 and 19 as an auxiliary interstate highway. Such a project will cost multiple times the potential amount of bonding now requested and will take years to develop. Furthermore, such a project will require the involvement and contribution of federal, as well as state governments, through the Federal Highway Administration and ADOT. Hence, our funding should focus on required local matches for such new highway construction and/or the advance right of way acquisition for a designated and approved location alternative for such an auxiliary interstate highway. For this reason, I suggest that the amount originally set aside for this corridor be reduced to \$20 million for local match for a first phase planning study and right of way acquisition.

I. Legal and Practical Impediments to Funding Certain Projects with General Obligation Bonds

Historically, the County has used general obligation bonds to acquire property or construct or improve publicly-owned facilities. Several of the new proposals fall outside of these traditional uses of County bond funds. The following projects raise concerns because of 1) legal issues concerning statutory authority for Arizona counties, state constitutional prohibitions against public agencies providing gifts, the tax exempt nature of bond funding, and tax liabilities; and/or 2) raise practical concerns regarding how the County would ensure the long term-public investment for which voters and bond buyers hold the County accountable.

In consultation with the County Attorney's Office, these projects were evaluated with respect to the following potential legal issues:

- (1) Authority. The County can only fund projects that it has statutory authority to undertake ("Dillon's rule").
- (2) Gift Clause. The County is prohibited by the Arizona Constitution, art. 9, § 7, from "giv[ing] or loan[ing] its credit in the aid of, or mak[ing] any donation or grant, by subsidy or otherwise, to any individual, association, or corporation."
- (3) Private Activity Bonds. An entire series of bonds, some of the proceeds of which were used to finance the project in question, will be taxable if the project is used in such a way that it causes (1) more than 10 percent of the bond proceeds to be used, directly or indirectly, in the trade or business of a person other than a state or local government unit; and (2) the County to get a return on privately-used bond-funded property in an amount that exceeds 10 percent of the debt service on the bond series.

- (4) Arbitrage. If bond funds are not spent in a timely manner or the funds are returned to the County and treated as unspent, it can create a tax liability.

The first two issues are relevant regardless of what County funds are used; the latter two issues are tax issues specific to the use of bond funds.

These projects were also evaluated with respect to 1) whether the County could protect long-term the public investment of bonds' funds as intended by the voters and bond buyers, and 2) whether other County projects or programs could better provide the proposed public benefits.

1. Business Neighborhood Stabilization Program – \$5 million

Scope: Funds will be used for all the activities funded with the federally funded Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), including down payment assistance for homebuyers, acquisition and rehabilitation of single-family and multifamily properties, demolition of blighted structures, land banking for future development, and redevelopment of vacant and underutilized properties. Unlike the federally funded NSP2 program, the bond funded program will not necessarily target foreclosed properties but properties that will be critical to the revitalization of neighborhoods. A second difference is that commercial and mixed-use properties will also be considered for improvement and/or redevelopment. A third difference is that funds could also be used for small infrastructure projects that will enhance neighborhoods, such as pocket parks and community gardens, sidewalks, and public art.

Concerns: The County would have gift clause issues if using bond funds to benefit private businesses unless adequate consideration is provided to the County in return, which is unlikely. In addition, the resale of property purchased with bond funds creates significant arbitrage problems. From a practical standpoint, the County's neighborhood reinvestment program could provide for the small infrastructure projects such as neighborhood parks, gardens, sidewalks and public art.

2. Business Façade/Public Infrastructure Improvement Project -- \$3 million

Scope: Pima County will provide technical design assistance and funding for improvements for business facades in the public right of way to the curb. The goal will be for all businesses on a street or in a district to participate. The program will also address code and safety issues for properties to the extent bond funds can be invested in improvements of this nature. An additional goal is to address historic issues, especially preservation of historic structures and features.

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Concerns: Other than in cases where the County is purchasing historic preservation easements (an actual property right), funding any other type of improvements to privately-owned properties would be problematic under the gift clause. The project could be re-scoped to limit the use of bond funds to historic preservation related facade improvements and it could then be considered under the cultural and historic resources category of projects.

3. Pima County Small Business Incubator – \$5 million

Scope: Bond funds will be used to acquire a site and develop a small business incubator serving innovative startup businesses in Pima County with the potential for future growth. An incubator typically provides support services such as payroll, communications, meeting and common space, as well as technical assistance to help new business succeed. The incubator will seek tenants in the following fields: technology, arts, and home based consulting businesses. Pima County will identify and develop the site, improvements will be leased to a nonprofit agency that will manage and operate the incubator. The site could be an existing building which will be renovated or a new building.

Concerns: Private businesses would be benefiting from this facility. If they do not pay market rent or some direct consideration, the County could face a gift clause issue. If they do pay rent and it exceeds 10 percent of the debt service on that particular bond sale, there could be a private activity bond concern. In addition, if more than 10 percent of the proceeds from any single bond sale are used for these purposes, there could also be a private activity issue. Administratively, tracking the bond sales and subsequent rent arrangements for each tenant to avoid triggering a private activity bond issue would be extremely time consuming and complicated. The project also appears to overlap with a portion of The University of Arizona's proposal for the Small Business Entrepreneur and Academic Center, which is a much larger project of which private incubator space is a minor component. A contribution from the University to cover this minor portion of that project should eliminate any gift clause and private activity bond issues for the County. Therefore, it makes sense to remove the Pima County Small Business Incubator Project, since its scope can be achieved through the University project.

4. Town of Sahuarita Business Center – \$3,162,500

Scope: A new 10,000 square foot business center located at the Sahuarita Municipal Complex, adjacent to the intersection of Starlight View Way/Sahuarita Center Way...Facilities are needed in the Town Center area of Sahuarita to accommodate

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activities such as high-tech research and development, incubator/office space and conference facilities for business and community meetings. The Sahuarita Municipal Complex was designed to accommodate another two-story building as part of future expansion plans. Constructing this building now, as the Sahuarita Business Center, on land owned by the Town and within the Municipal Complex, would enable local businesses to access a facility from which to grow their companies and retain these companies in Sahuarita. Currently, no such facilities exist, and none have been planned by any developers or landowners.

Concerns: The same as those for the Pima County Small Business Incubator project.

5. Oro Valley Business Accelerator – \$15 million

Scope: The Oro Valley Business Accelerator will help small bioscience and high-tech companies, that have made it through the startup phase, scale up to compete in national and international markets. The Accelerator will be built on Town-owned property in Innovation Park in Oro Valley's bioscience corridor, to strengthen the Town's foothold in the bioscience and high-tech industry. The Oro Valley Accelerator could make the following services and shared facilities available to startup companies: office space, lab space, shared access to reception, information technology infrastructure, biospecimens collection and repository, conference rooms, video and teleconference facility, training suites, video production for investigator training and/or human subject enrollment, research site monitors, administrative support (bookkeeping, payroll and human resources), and consultation on regulatory strategy, market analysis and business planning. Collaborations between DxInsights, C-Path, AZCERT and The University of Arizona could provide essential elements of the Accelerator's programs.

Concerns: The same as those for the Pima County Small Business Incubator project.

6. Elephant Head Volunteer Fire Department Station: \$300,000

Scope: The project is to purchase the lot adjacent to County-owned buildings located in Amado, near the Food Bank and Health Clinic and to construct a fire Station for the Elephant Head Volunteer Fire Department (EHVFD). The EHVFD is a private, nonprofit tax-exempt organization serving "approximately 5,800 residents living and visiting the communities of Arivaca Junction, Lakewood, Half-way Trailer Park, and Elephant Head. EHVFD has 33 volunteers serving in various roles ... 14 Fire Fighters trained in structure fires; 10 Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs); 5 first responders trained in basic life-saving techniques and 7 support personnel who are board members, fundraisers, mechanics, etc."

Concerns: There are no real legal impediments; but from a practical standpoint, this project does not make sense to fund with County bond funds, since other fire providers could then request bond funding for their fire stations. The EHVFD is not an actual fire district with the taxing authority of a fire district. Perhaps they should become an actual fire district so that they can levy a tax rate necessary to meet their facility needs.

7. Economic Development Land Bank: \$10 million

Scope: A small amount of development-appropriate vacant land would be directed to commercial (retail, hotel/motel, restaurant, etc.). Limit nonprofit acquisitions. Build South Tucson sales tax base to preserve continued fiscal viability.

Concerns: This project appears to involve providing some type of subsidy to private business without return, which is a fundamental gift clause issue. If there is a return, it could be a private activity bond issue. In addition, the resale of property purchased with bond funds creates significant arbitrage problems.

8. Desert Senita Community Health Center Facility Improvement: \$280,000

Scope: Desert Senita Community Health Center (DSCHC) is an aging men's dormitory that was donated by Phelps Dodge and slowly converted into a community health center in 1986. The building was built in the 1940s. The building has gone under many changes to meet local healthcare needs in western Pima County. Although steady maintenance has occurred, the building has deteriorated over time. The building was never insulated, and it is not able to be cooled sufficiently or economically to meet patients' needs. The old ambulance bay was to be converted into a much needed physical therapy area; but due to the facility not being able to be adequately cooled, the cooler leaking through the ceilings in the summer, the need for a larger in-house pharmacy, flooding issues when it rains, and sewer lines that have collapsed over time DSCHC's finds itself in need of more than moderate remodeling. DSCHC cannot continue 'band-aiding' these repairs and provide health care with the dignity our patients deserve without correcting these issues. DSCHC is the sole provider of primary health and dental services in the entire rural Ajo Primary Care Area, a geographically-isolated area roughly two thirds the size of the State of Connecticut and surrounded on all sides by federal lands, with a population of approximately 4,000 residents. DSCHC currently provides services to approximately 75 percent of local residents from the Arizona-Mexico Border at Lukeville to the western Districts of the Tohono O'odham Nation, including Why, Arizona, and typically records over 15,000 patient visits a year.

Concerns: There could be a gift clause issue if the DSCHC cannot provide binding assurance they will provide free or low-cost healthcare services to the public at a value equal to or exceeding the County's bond funding investment. From an accountability standpoint, since the County does not own the building, it is difficult to assure with certainty that the public investment would be maintained long term if the organization went out of business and sold the facility to an organization that did not provide the same public benefit. This would not be a problem if the County owned the building and leased it to DSCHC.

9. Marana Health Center Expansion: \$3 million

Scope: Development of a 45,000 square foot annex to the Marana Health Center (MHC) main facility to include an Imaging Center, expand MHC's Urgent Care, provide additional space for the expansion of the Pediatric, Family Practice, and Obstetrics and Gynecology programs; and provide additional space for Specialty Providers. Currently, MHC's MRI equipment is in a temporary location in a trailer in the parking lot. The Annex will allow MHC to move the MRI to a permanent location and to consolidate MHC's other imaging equipment including a CT-Scan, Dexa Scan, Mammography and X-Ray equipment for greater efficiency. The Annex will also allow expansion of adjacent Pediatrics and Family Practice clinics and of the Urgent Care and Specialty Provider programs. MHC provides primary medical and behavioral healthcare for all populations. This includes underserved populations that rely upon public assistance programs. Approximately 25 percent of MHC's patients have no healthcare coverage, and an additional 38 percent are enrolled in the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS).

Concerns: The same as those for the DSCHC project.

10. Loft Cinemas, Inc. Sustainability Expansion and Rehabilitation Project: \$500,000

Scope: Design, construct and rehabilitate The Loft Cinema (a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization) into a regional film-based arts center. The project will consist of new construction of a fully accessible lobby with new concessions, rehabilitated restrooms, open spaces (both indoors and outdoors) for patrons, two new screening rooms, a community resource room, a gallery for local artists and administrative offices, now located offsite. The current 50-year old Loft Cinema will be brought up to Tucson City Code through this rehabilitation project, including the addition of an elevator to the now non-accessible upper theater.

Concerns: Unless the property is historic and the County would acquire a historic preservation easement in return for its investment and/or unless the "community

resource room” could provide public benefits valued equal to the County’s investment, there would be gift clause concerns with this project. From an accountability standpoint, since the County does not own the building, it is difficult to assure with certainty that the public investment would be maintained long term if the organization went out of business and sold the facility to an organization that did not provide the same public benefit; if, in fact, a public benefit could be provided.

11. Sunshine Mile Commercial District or Corridor: \$2 million

Scope: The project program is the economic development and physical enhancement of historic commercial buildings along the Sunshine Mile corridor. This gateway to downtown presents a unique opportunity to celebrate and enhance an important collection of mid-century modern commercial storefronts and buildings while encouraging and cultivating small businesses. The project is envisioned to create a multi-faceted approach to improve economic development opportunities while protecting historic resources. Façade improvement programs, the creation of incubator spaces and local business development are all anticipated outcomes.

Concerns: Improvements to historic facades are appropriate so long as the County acquires a historic preservation easement in return. However, the creation of business incubator spaces raises the same gift clause and private activity concerns discussed with other similar projects. If the project scope is revised to include only historic facade preservation, it could be considered under the historic and cultural resource category of the bond program.

12. South 12th Avenue Cultural Corridor: \$1.5 million

Scope: Master planning and infrastructure improvements to develop pedestrian and bicycle facilities, shade, signage and art in a cultural district that celebrates the unique Mexican-American heritage and brings commercial investment to this highly used transportation corridor.

Concerns: So long as the improvements are in publically-owned right of way, there should be no legal concerns. However, these improvements would be eligible under the County’s existing neighborhood reinvestment program instead of duplicating programs.

13. Residential Noise Attenuation Program for Davis-Monthan Air Force Base: \$10 million

Scope: Create a program to address noise abatement for site built homes that are within the Federal Yearly Day-Night Average Sound Levels (DNL) 65 or greater decibel

level contours as defined in the U.S. Air Force Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) analysis (i.e. FAA Part 150 Analysis). This program would apply to neighborhoods most affected by operational air traffic in and out of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base...provide attenuation modifications to eligible homes to reduce interior ambient noise resulting from aircraft operations...

Concern: This project would result in a gift clause issue, as there is no indication the program would be limited to low-income families, nor is there any consideration for the County.

14. Historic Miracle Mile/Oracle Revitalization Corridor: \$2 million

Scope: This reinvestment project builds on the capital improvement goals outlined in the Oracle Area Revitalization Project report (OARP) (*Final Report-September 13, 2011*) by funding reinvestment in historic resources and cultural economic development initiatives in the area through public/private partnership projects that preserve historic buildings, neon signs, develop heritage attractions, and cultivate economic reinvestment into this high stress area. Examples of past demonstration projects to date include: historic preservation/development of the Old Pascua Museum and Yaqui Culture Center (grand opening in August 2013); renovation and placement of six neon signs in the area; adaptive reuse of several historic motor courts such as the Monterey Courts, the Wayward Winds and the Ghost Ranch Lodge; Annual Historic Miracle Mile tours and lectures (for the past six years); and the publication of the "*Neon Pueblo – Guide to Tucson's midcentury vintage signage.*"

Concerns: So long as the improvements are limited to cultural and historic improvements and the County receives some consideration for the improvements, such as historic preservation easements, then there should not be a legal issue. The project could be re-scoped to make this clear and could then be considered under the cultural and historic resource category of the bond program.

It is recommended that the County not use bond funds to construct or improve privately-owned property. Deleting the previously listed projects as submitted due to legal concerns will reduce the bond funding request by \$60.7 million. We will notify these project proponents that their projects are being removed from consideration. If projects are modified to meet eligibility for County bond funds, we will transmit the modified versions, along with the requested funding amount, to the BAC for consideration.

III. EXTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING TIMING OF NEXT BOND ELECTION

A. Status of the City of Tucson Bond Advisory Committee

As the BAC knows, the City of Tucson established their own bond advisory committee (CTBAC) to advise the Mayor and Council of a possible bond issue to be held by the City of Tucson. The CTBAC was created on April 9, 2013. We now understand all members of the advisory committee have been appointed, and they are as follows:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Appointed by</u>
Mr. Dennis Arnold	Ward 5
Mr. Earl Causbie	Ward 2
Mr. Kevin Daily	Ward 3
Mr. Michael Keith	Ward 6
Mr. Matthew Kopec	Ward 4
Mr. Roger Pfeuffer	Mayor
Dr. Liz Rangel	Ward 1
Honorable Robert Walkup	City Manager
Mr. Thomas Warne	City Manager

Please note that Mr. Warne is also a member of the County's BAC.

The CTBAC held their first meeting on September 4, 2013. According to City staff, the City committee is to review all of the City's unmet capital needs and identify the best funding sources to address those needs. In addition to County bond funding, this might include future city bonds, impact fees, dedicated transit funding, improvement districts, etc. The first order of business for the CTBAC will be to make recommendations on City priorities within a 2014 County bond package because of the short timeframe for making that decision.

I am concerned the CTBAC may regionalize what should be local projects. If the City is considering a City bond election, coordination will be necessary regarding what is a regional funding priority for County bonds versus a local funding priority for City bonds. As cited earlier in this memorandum, the far majority of Neighborhood Reinvestment and Affordable Housing projects have been located within the City of Tucson. In addition, the newly proposed Pedestrian Safety and Walkability Improvement program states that the funding would be allocated based on a jurisdiction's population, which would provide the majority of the funding to the City of Tucson even though they are only 41 percent of the tax base. These projects funded by local bonding should require significant local matches because of the primarily local benefits.

Deliberations of the CTBAC are problematic regarding continuing deliberations of the County BAC for a November 2014 election. Projects submitted to the voters should not be duplicated by the two committees. I suggest the County BAC suspend deliberations until the CTBAC has completed their deliberations and made a recommendation to the Mayor and Council. Such would eliminate confusion and overlap of recommendations for specific projects. Once we have a clear understanding what the City of Tucson will include in a possible bond election, it will be possible to continue with County deliberations.

B. Pima County Sports and Tourism Authority Election

The Pima County Sports and Tourism Authority (PCSTA) has been meeting for some time to develop, as required by Arizona law, a plan to place before the voters for funding of professional and amateur sports facilities. The PCSTA commissioned a study designed to determine what gaps in these facilities exist within the community. The effort included interviews of all Parks and Recreation Directors and the Economic Development Authorities from each jurisdiction and sports and event promoters region-wide, as well as a variety of professional, amateur and youth league owners and managers. Their report is complete; and while providing a great deal of data on facility needs and possible locations, it does not include specific recommendations regarding the development of capital facilities. The PCSTA must undertake additional efforts before advancing any facility plan to the voters. Development of a specific program, a list of projects, facility ownership, operating guidelines, and an implementation schedule are the next areas of study. As the BAC is well aware, this task is labor intensive and requires significant commitment of resources from regional stakeholders.

Further complicating the effort is the mandated election timing. Current statutes authorizing the PCSTA require an election to be held by 2014. The election limitation in State law is problematic. Pima County will assist the PCSTA in seeking a simple modification to the existing law that allows the PCSTA to request that the Board of Supervisors call for an election once the PCSTA has developed an appropriate plan. In addition to permitting PCSTA to undertake more advanced facilities planning before pursuing an election, this modification would better ensure that any PCSTA plan for amateur and professional sports facilities would complement, rather than conflict with or duplicate, a bond issue.

If legislation extending the date for the election is successful, based on information, feedback and requirements, it is unlikely any election could occur for a plan before 2016.

C. Updated Fiscal Indicators

Perhaps the most critical element associated with timing of the next bond election is the affordability and tax implications associated with a new general obligation bond authorization. I reported to the BAC in detail on January 7, 2013 all of the various factors related to debt issuance and repayment.

The most critical element that continues to control the amount of debt the County can issue is our voluntary secondary property tax rate cap. This cap is at \$0.815. Even though the tax rate cap for the 2004 authorization was \$0.815, the tax rate for debt service has been as low as \$0.605 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2008/09, which is 25.8 percent below the stated cap.

Adding to this rate cap issue is the continuing decline of the property tax base. Due to the Great Recession, the tax base has declined from \$9.86 billion in FY 2009/10 to as low as the \$7.57 billion projected for FY 2014/15. This is a decline of 23.2 percent and is a significant factor in determining the timing of new debt issuance. The forecasted assessed values have been re-estimated by our Finance and Risk Management Department and assume growth at a lower rate than that capped by constitutional amendment, or three percent. The current forecasted aggregate tax base of the County does not show any increase in the tax base until FY 2015/16.

Attached are three tables (M1, M2 and M3 in Attachment M) for the BAC's review. Table M1 simply shows no future authorization and debt. As can be seen, after the sale of prior authorizations now estimated to be \$28.7 million, the tax rate begins to decline and does so rapidly over the next 10 years.

Table M2 illustrates maintenance of the tax rate cap of \$0.815. As this table shows, new debt can begin to be issued in FY 2015/16, but only in limited amounts over the 10-year projected life of the bond issue. The tax rate cap, based on the forecasted growth in assessed value after its maximum decline in FY 2014/15, would sustain a general obligation bond issue of only \$550 million with no new debt issued until FY 2015/16.

Table M3 shows that if the tax rate were allowed to exceed the present cap and be increased to approximately \$0.91 over the same period, the total bond debt authorization could be in the range of \$650 million.

In summary, the continuing declining tax base and the secondary property tax debt service rate cap control the timing of a future bond authorization. Under the present forecast, there is no need to have an authorization or election in 2014, since new debt would not be issued until 2016. If the current rate cap continues to be maintained, the amount of

authorization would be in the vicinity of \$550 million. This assumes, however, a program where bonds are sold over 10 years. If the Committee extended this timeframe to 12 years, it is possible to fund a \$650 million program and maintain the current rate cap.

D. Timing of Next Bond Election

Based on:

1. The continued slow recovery of the Pima County economy;
2. The continued decline of the tax base in Pima County, 23 percent since 2010, which is not expected to grow until FY 2015/16;
3. The desire to continue an aggressive debt retirement policy for the County;
4. The need to coordinate and integrate local and regional bond funding and needs with the recently created City of Tucson Bond Advisory Committee;
5. The need to elaborate upon and detail certain recent bond funding requests with The University of Arizona;
6. The need to evaluate the necessity of bond funding certain economic development transportation improvements as opposed to the traditional method of user financing;
7. The need to clearly and deliberately explain the legal inability of the County to bond finance certain private improvements now requested;
8. The need to understand the ability of each jurisdiction receiving capital bond funding from the County to adequately maintain the facilities as required by the County;
9. There are so many new issues under consideration, as well as confusion, that there is insufficient time to provide for appropriate public input on each one and still meet the schedule for a November 2014 bond election; and
10. The fact that based on present economic conditions and forecasts, the County will not be able to issue new bond debt until 2016.

I recommend the BAC not consider asking the voters for a new authorization until November 2015.

IV. NEXT STEPS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

If the BAC accepts my recommendation to postpone the bond election until November 2015, the Committee can resume its typical monitoring and review process of existing bond programs for approximately the next six to eight months. This would mean that after the September 20, 2013 BAC meeting, the next meet would not need to be held until sometime in March 2014.

Chairman and Members, Bond Advisory Committee

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The Committee can also determine how to proceed with the evaluation of new projects in a more deliberate manner over the 12 months and then begin in earnest preparation for a November 2015 bond authorization election.

It may still be worthwhile for the Committee to consider updates to the Tentatively Approved Projects List, since having an updated list will make it easier for the public, the BAC, and staff to track projects over time and will reduce confusion over multiple project descriptions sheets for the same project. If the BAC finds some of these updates controversial, the Committee could defer action on just those projects.

Based on the information contained in this memorandum, I would recommend the BAC:

1. Postpone any consideration of a bond election for November 2014 to November 2015.
2. Consider some or all of the updates proposed to the BAC's Tentatively Approved Projects List.

CHH/mjk

Attachments

- c: The Honorable Chairman and Members, Pima County Board of Supervisors
Nicole Fyffe, Executive Assistant to the County Administrator
Diana Durazo, Special Staff Assistant to the County Administrator

Attachment A
Updated Tentatively Approved Projects List

Tentatively Approved Projects Summary

2014 Bond Election Planning
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee

Tentatively Approved Recommendations Summary	BAC Funding Allocations	Recommendations
Question 1 - Open Space, Historic & Cultural Conservation	\$ 155,050,000	\$140,950,000
Question 2 - Public Health, Libraries & Community Facilities	212,850,000	\$178,506,381
Question 4 - Flood Control & Water Conservation	10,000,000	10,000,000
Question 6 - Parks & Recreation	200,952,000	\$192,510,500
Total	\$ 578,852,000	\$ 521,966,881

Legend

-  Revisions
-  Substantial Rejustification
- CA County Administrator's February 15, 2013 recommendations

TENTATIVELY APPROVED PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS

Dept	ID	Question 1 - Open Space, Historic & Cultural Conservation	BAC Funding Allocation	BAC Approval Date	Recommendations	Requested By
FC	2	Floodprone and Riparian Land Acquisition (Combined w/ FC52 and PR219)	\$10,000,000	21-May-10		
HP	103	Archaeological Site Acquisitions: Marana Mounds, Cocoraque Butte	1,500,000	4-Jan-10	\$4.4 million	Pima County
HP	107	OS Repair and Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings	500,000	17-Jun-11		
HP	108	Site Interpretation/Preservation	2,000,000	4-Jan-10		
HP	109	Vail Area Historic Sites	250,000	4-Jan-10		
HP	111	Steam Pump Ranch Rehabilitation	2,000,000	16-Oct-09	\$4 million	Oro Valley
HP	115	Historic Ft. Lowell Park - Master Plan Implementation	5,000,000	16-Oct-09		
HP	125	Ajo Curley School Gym & Town Plaza	1,300,000	16-Apr-10		
HP	126	Dunbar School Rehabilitation	1,500,000	16-Apr-10		
HP	128	Performing Arts Center Rehabilitation	1,000,000	16-Apr-10		
OS	1	Davis Monthan Approach Corridor Open Space Acquisitions	5,000,000	4-Jan-10	Remove	CA
OS	2	Habitat Protection Priorities & Associated Lands	110,000,000	16-Apr-10	\$96 million	CA
OS	3	Community Open Space	10,000,000	16-Apr-10		
PR	80	Canoa Ranch Historic Interpretive Center (Parks and CR project)	5,000,000	4-Jan-10		
		Total	\$155,050,000		\$140,950,000	

Dept	ID	Question 2 - Public Health, Libraries & Community Facilities	BAC Funding Allocation	BAC Approval Date	Recommendations	Requested By
CD	1	Affordable Housing Program	\$30,000,000	4-Jan-10	\$10 million	CA
CD	2	Neighborhood Reinvestment Program	30,000,000	4-Jan-10	\$20 million	CA
FM	1	One Stop Career Center (combine Literacy Connects/Job Path)	4,500,000	16-Oct-09	Scope/\$10.5 million	CA
FM	9	Green Valley Government Center Master Plan Implementation	2,000,000	19-Mar-10		
FM	11	Pima County Community College Health Education Campus	40,000,000	19-Mar-10	Pending scope/name change	CA
FM	34	LSB - Asbestos Abatement and Fire Sprinklers	2,000,000	19-Mar-10		
FM	35	West Valencia Branch Library	6,000,000	19-Mar-10	\$8 million	Pima County
FM	45	Sahuarita Branch Library	6,675,000	16-Oct-09	\$8 million	Pima County
FM	48	Joyner-Green Valley Library Renovation and HVAC	1,660,000	16-Oct-09		
FM	51	Flowing Wells Branch Library	2,910,000	16-Oct-09	\$3.1 million	Pima County
FM	54	Pima County Animal Care Center (PACC) Improvements	22,000,000	18-Dec-09		
FM	77	Fairgrounds Infrastructure Improvements	3,000,000	16-Oct-09	\$3,741,381	Fairgrounds
FM	79	Colossal Cave Mountain Park	535,000	21-May-10		
FM	84	Marana Health Center Expansion	3,000,000	19-Mar-10	Scope change	MHC
FM	92	Ajo Community Golf Course	320,000	19-Mar-10		
FM	96	Art of the American West - Tucson Art Museum	5,000,000	19-Mar-10		
FM	97	Theresa Lee and Tuberculosis Clinic Relocation	4,000,000	19-Mar-10	No change	CA
FM	107	Tucson Children's Museum - New Museum	5,000,000	19-Mar-10	\$6 million	CA
FM	108	East Side Government/Comm. Ctr, Park, Sheriff	14,000,000	16-Apr-10	\$15 million	Pima County
FM	109	Pima Air and Space Museum - Cold War Hangar	4,000,000	21-May-10	\$10 million	PASM
FM	110	Elections Equipment	5,000,000	16-Apr-10	\$2.4 million	CA
PR	75	Green Valley Performing Arts/Learning Center III	16,000,000	19-Mar-10	Remove	CA
PR	106	New Tucson Girl's and Boy's Chorus Building	1,250,000	19-Mar-10		
PR	235	Freedom Park Adult Learning Center	4,000,000	21-May-10	Remove	CA
		Total	\$212,850,000		\$178,506,381	

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Dept	ID	Question 4 - Flood Control & Water Conservation	BAC Funding Allocation	BAC Approval Date	Recommendations	Requested By
FC	58	Santa Cruz River: Rillito and CDO Confluence	10,000,000	21-May-10		
		Total	\$10,000,000			

Dept	ID	Question 6 - Parks and Recreation	BAC Funding Allocation	BAC Approval Date	Recommendations	Requested By
PR	4	Udall Park Expansion (Tier 2)	\$4,000,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	5	Jacobs Park Recreation Center (Tier 1)	4,000,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	6	Reid Park Zoo Africa Expansion (Tier 2)	3,750,000	16-Oct-09	Remove	CA
PR	13	Southeast Regional Park (Esmond Station Regional Park) (Tier 2)	2,400,000	18-Dec-09	\$6.8 million	Pima County
PR	18	El Pueblo Center Improvements (Tier 1)	2,000,000	16-Oct-09	\$2.5 million	Tucson
PR	19	Freedom Center Expansion (Tier 2)	2,000,000	16-Oct-09	\$2.5 million	Tucson
PR	20	Reid Park Improvements (Tier 3)	2,000,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	28	Lincoln Park Improvements (Tier 3)	1,500,000	16-Oct-09	Scope change	Tucson
PR	29	Purple Heart Park Expansion (Tier 1)	1,500,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	34	Urban Greenways - City of Tucson (Tier 3)	15,000,000	19-Nov-10	Remove	CA
PR	35	City of Tucson Sports Fields and Lighting (Combined w/ PR47) (Tier 3)	10,000,000	15-Oct-10	Scope - \$15 million	CA
PR	77	Shooting Sports Program Site Improvements (Tier 2)	3,000,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	86	Lawrence Community Center and Swimming Pool (Tier 1)	6,500,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	93	Yaqui Park Community Center (Tier 1)	2,350,000	18-Dec-09		
PR	95	Flowing Wells, Kino and Other Swimming Pool Renovations (Tier 1)	1,500,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	96	Model Airplane Parks (Tier 3)	1,500,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	103	Rillito Race Track Conversion (Tier 1)	14,000,000	18-Dec-09	Scope change	CA
PR	105	River Bend Conservation Education Center at Brandi Fenton Memorial Park	1,000,000	17-Jun-11		
PR	109	Curtis Park Skateboard Park and Improvements (Tier 1)	1,600,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	110	George Mehl Family Foothills Park (Tier 1)	4,000,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	115	Ted Walker Park Sporting Dog Training Site (Tier 1)	2,500,000	16-Oct-09	Scope change	Pima County
PR	116	Lawrence Park Improvements (Tier 1)	3,000,000	18-Dec-09		
PR	137	BAJA Seniors Sports Complex (Tier 1)	4,000,000	16-Apr-10	\$3.5 million	Pima County
PR	138	Benson Highway Park Development & Land Acquisition (Tier 1)	5,400,000	18-Dec-09		
PR	140	Ajo Detention Basin Park (Tier 1)	2,200,000	17-Jun-11	500,000	CA
PR	141	Robles Community Park (Tier 1)	1,630,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	181	Sahuarita Pool and Recreation Complex /YMCA (Tier 1)	12,652,000	16-Apr-10	\$15,880,500	Sahuarita
PR	201	Oury Pool Renovations (Tier 2)	620,000	21-May-10	\$1.5 million	Tucson
PR	210	Bureau of Reclamation Sports Park (Tier 2)	10,000,000	16-Apr-10	\$17.5 million	Marana
PR	217	James D. Krieh Park Upgrades (Tier 2)	1,000,000	16-Oct-09	\$3 million	Oro Valley
PR	220	Adaptive Recreation Center Expansion (Tier 2)	12,000,000	15-Oct-10	Scope	Tucson
PR	225	El Casino Park (Tier 2)	850,000	17-Jun-11		
PR	226	JVYC/Ochoa Gym (Tier 1)	1,000,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	228	Lawrence Hiaki Pathway (Tier 1)	500,000	15-Oct-10		
End	231	Arizona Velodrome Center - Kino Campus (Tier 3)	5,000,000	19-Nov-10	Remove	CA
PR	237	Flowing Wells District Park Expansion (Tier 2)	1,200,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	262	Altar Valley Watershed Restoration Project (Tier 1)	1,500,000	15-Oct-10		
PR	266	PC Southeast Regional Park (Fairgrounds) - Horse Racing Facility (Tier 3)	6,500,000	16-Oct-09	Remove	CA
PR	267	Sentinel Park - A Mountain Park Improvement Project (Tier 1)	2,500,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	273	Kory Laos Freestyle Memorial BMX Park (Tier 3)	1,300,000	16-Oct-09		
PR	277	Pima County Softball Tournament and Recreation Park (Tier 1)	5,000,000	16-Apr-10		

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PR	278	River Park Acquisitions and Development Countywide	20,000,000	15-Oct-10	Scope change	CA
PR	280	School District Partnerships	15,000,000	17-Jun-11	No Change	CA
PR	281	Public Natural Park Trail Access	2,000,000	15-Oct-10		
		Total	\$200,952,000		\$192,510,500	

Attachment B
Elections Equipment Bond Project Rejustification



MEMORANDUM

Public Works – Project Management Office

DATE: July 18, 2013

TO: Nanette Slusser
Assistant County Administrator
for Public Works Policy

FROM: Nancy Cole, Manager
Project Management Office

RE: Elections Equipment Bond Project Re-justification

The Bond Advisory Committee is currently reviewing extensive modifications to the proposed future bond election project list. As a part of this review, staff has prepared the attached substantial re-justification of the Elections Bond project, originally included in the approved bond package.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Attachments:

1. EAC Certificate for EVS 5.0.0.0
2. State of Arizona Certificate for EVS 5.0.0.0
3. EVS 5.0 product information

Cc: Brad Nelson, Director, Election Department

Mr. Huckelberry's memo dated February 12, 2013 included a request for several existing approved future bond projects to be substantially re-justified as new development or information may require additional review. For the Elections Equipment project (FM-110) the following end notes were provided:

7. It is unlikely new, nationally-certified, optical scanning and tabulating election equipment will be available for acquisition from a 2014 bond authorization. In fact, there is substantial review of electronic election tabulation assistance. Given the uncertainty of certification of acceptable equipment and systems, this item should be re-justified.

As of June 17, 2013 an election equipment system that meets 2005 voluntary voting standards (current standard) has passed both Federal and State of Arizona certification requirements. The Election Assistance Commission's (EAC's) national voting system certification program is intended to independently verify that voting systems comply with the functional capabilities, accessibility, and security requirements necessary to ensure the integrity and reliability of voting system operation. The EAC and State of Arizona approved system is the EVS 5.0.0.0 Voting System manufactured by ES&S. This system includes the world's fastest digital central scanner along with the industry's most widely used in-precinct digital scanner, and meets the requirements for voters with disabilities. The DS850 central scanner/tabulator can sort various ballot sizes at full speed, can handle double sided ballots, and can categorize output into three categories: counted, requires further review, and write-ins. The DS200 precinct scanner/tabulator accumulates and transmits votes directly from the polling place, and can handle many different sizes/layouts of ballots as needed.

Although the specific number and configuration of the system and equipment is not yet determined, the EVS 5.0.0.0 Voting System has enough flexibility to provide a solution for Pima County now, and into the future. Please see attachments for certificates and basic system information.

The new equipment installation is intended to resolve several issues related to the current Pima County elections equipment. As Pima County grows, the total number of registered voters continues to increase which can stress the current polling place system setup. The current equipment would not be able to meet the voting demand if all registered voters exclusively used the polling places on Election Day. The use of mail ballots has significantly increased in the past several years, which has both reduced the demand on individual polling places and also increased the need for high speed optical scanners that more quickly determine results and yet can provide reasonable audit or recount information. The existing elections equipment used by Pima County voters was purchased in the late 1990's, but is based on technology developed in the 1980's. In our most recent elections in 2012 tabulation of results was very slow, particularly for races that were very close. The equipment has been out of warranty for many years, and is

now also out of manufacture causing replacement parts to be available only by re-use from existing equipment.

The recently certified equipment can help meet current needs, and provides some flexibility for changes in the voting environment that are occurring. The polling place scanning equipment can handle multiple ballot configurations, which allows for a single polling place to accommodate multiple precinct requirements – creating the potential for some centralized polling locations. This flexibility will allow the election department to best configure polling places as voting populations change. The high speed capabilities of the tabulator machines can accommodate the current mail ballot use, and will continue to meet these needs for some time.

The election department has also pursued potential cost of the recently certified EVS 5.0.0.0 system. A similar system has been recently procured by Duval County, Florida. Duval County's 2012 census estimates 879,602 residents, and is therefore similarly sized but slightly smaller than Pima County's 2012 estimate of 992,394. Duval County purchased two of the high speed central tabulation machines, and the associated software, installation, training and five years of maintenance for approximately \$2.1M. Additionally, they received a significant trade-in credit for their existing equipment, further reducing costs by \$800K (\$1.3M spent). This first bid does not include polling place scanners and accessible voting equipment. A second estimate from Anoka County, Minnesota with 2012 census estimate of 336,414 (one third the size of Pima County) was obtained for a system including individual scanner/tabulation machines was received. They purchased 140 units and 136 accessible voting units and a single centralized scanner with associated software, installation, training for \$1.04M. If this were escalated by a factor of three, the cost would be \$3.1M. Based on this sample pricing, we are recommending the current Elections Equipment Bond request to be reduced to \$3.5M. This total project cost should include the Elections HAVA grant in the amount of \$1.1M, resulting in a net request of bond funds of \$2.4M.

The timing of this purchase of equipment is critical. The election department's goal is to have this installed prior to the Presidential election in 2016, in order to meet the growing registered voter needs. We respectfully request that this project be included in the earliest implementation period.

ATTACHMENTS



United States Election Assistance Commission

Certificate of Conformance

ES&S EVS 5.0.0.0



The voting system identified on this certificate has been evaluated at an accredited voting system testing laboratory for conformance to the 2005 *Voluntary Voting System Guidelines (2005 VVSG)*. Components evaluated for this certification are detailed in the attached Scope of Certification document. This certificate applies only to the specific version and release of the product in its evaluated configuration. The evaluation has been verified by the EAC in accordance with the provisions of the *EAC Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual* and the conclusions of the testing laboratory in the test report are consistent with the evidence adduced. This certificate is not an endorsement of the product by any agency of the U.S. Government and no warranty of the product is either expressed or implied.

Product Name: EVS

Model or Version: 5.0.0.0

Name of VSTL: Wyle Laboratories

EAC Certification Number: ESSEVS5000

Date Issued: May 16, 2013

*Chief Operating Officer and Acting Executive Director
U.S. Election Assistance Commission*

Scope of Certification Attached

Manufacturer: Election Systems & Software
System Name: EVS 5.0.0.0
Certificate: ESSEVS5000

Laboratory: Wyle Laboratories
Standard: VVSG 1.0(2005)
Date: May 15, 2013



Scope of Certification

This document describes the scope of the validation and certification of the system defined above. Any use, configuration changes, revision changes, additions or subtractions from the described system are not included in this evaluation.

Significance of EAC Certification

An EAC certification is an official recognition that a voting system (in a specific configuration or configurations) has been tested to and has met an identified set of Federal voting system standards. An EAC certification is **not**:

- An endorsement of a Manufacturer, voting system, or any of the system's components.
- A Federal warranty of the voting system or any of its components.
- A determination that a voting system, when fielded, will be operated in a manner that meets all HAVA requirements.
- A substitute for State or local certification and testing.
- A determination that the system is ready for use in an election.
- A determination that any particular component of a certified system is itself certified for use outside the certified configuration.

Representation of EAC Certification

Manufacturers may not represent or imply that a voting system is certified unless it has received a Certificate of Conformance for that system. Statements regarding EAC certification in brochures, on Web sites, on displays, and in advertising/sales literature must be made solely in reference to specific systems. Any action by a Manufacturer to suggest EAC endorsement of its product or organization is strictly prohibited and may result in a Manufacturer's suspension or other action pursuant to Federal civil and criminal law.

System Overview:

ES&S EVS 5.0.0.0 is comprised of the AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminal (AutoMARK), DS200 Precinct Digital Scanner (DS200), DS850 high-speed Central Count Digital Scanner, Election Ware, Election Reporting Manager (ERM), ES&S Event Log Service, Removable Media Service (RMS) and VAT Previewer.

- AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminal enables voters who are visually or physically impaired and voters more comfortable reading or hearing instructions and choices in an alternative language to privately mark optical scan ballots. The AutoMARK supports navigation through touchscreen, physical keypad or ADA support peripheral such as a sip and puff device or two position switch.

- DS200 digital scanner is a paper ballot tabulator designed for use as a polling place scanner. After the voter makes their selections on their paper ballot, their ballot is inserted into the unit for immediate tabulation. Both sides of the ballot are scanned at the same time using a high-resolution image-scanning device that produces ballot images.
- The DS850 is a high-speed, digital scan central ballot counter that uses cameras and imaging algorithms to capture voter selections on the front and back of a ballot, evaluate results and then sort ballots into discrete bins without interrupting scanning. A dedicated audit printer generates a continuous event log. Machine level reports are produced from a second, laser printer. The scanner saves voter selections and ballot images to an internal hard disk and exports results to a USB Memory stick for processing with Election Reporting Manager.
- ElectionWare integrates the election administration functionality into a unified application. Its intended use is to define an election and create the resultant media files used by the DS200 tabulator, AutoMARK™ Voter Assist Terminal (VAT), the DS850 Central Ballot Scanner, and Election Reporting Manager (ERM). An integrated ballot viewer allows election officials to view the scanned ballot and captured ballot data side-by-side and produce ballot reports.
- ES&S Event Log Service is a Windows Service that runs in the background of any active ES&S Election Management software application to monitor the proper functioning of the Windows Event Viewer. The ES&S Event Log Service closes any active ES&S software application if the system detects the improper deactivation of the Windows Event Viewer.
- The VAT Previewer is an application within the EMS program that allows the user to preview audio text and screen layout prior to burning Election Day media for the AutoMARK™.
- Removable Media Service (RMS) is an application that runs in the background of the EMS client workstation and supports the installation and removal of election and results media.
- Election Reporting Manager (ERM) generates paper and electronic reports for election workers, candidates, and the media. Jurisdictions can use a separate ERM installation to display updated election totals on a monitor as ballot data is tabulated, and send the results' reports directly to the media outlets.
ERM supports accumulation and combination of ballot results data from all ES&S tabulators. Precinct and accumulated total reports provide a means to accommodate candidate and media requests for totals and are available upon demand. High-speed printers are configured as part of the system accumulation/reporting stations PC and related software.

Mark definition:

ES&S' declared level mark recognition for the DS200 and DS850 is a mark across the oval that is 0.2" long x 0.03" wide at any direction.

Tested Marking Devices:

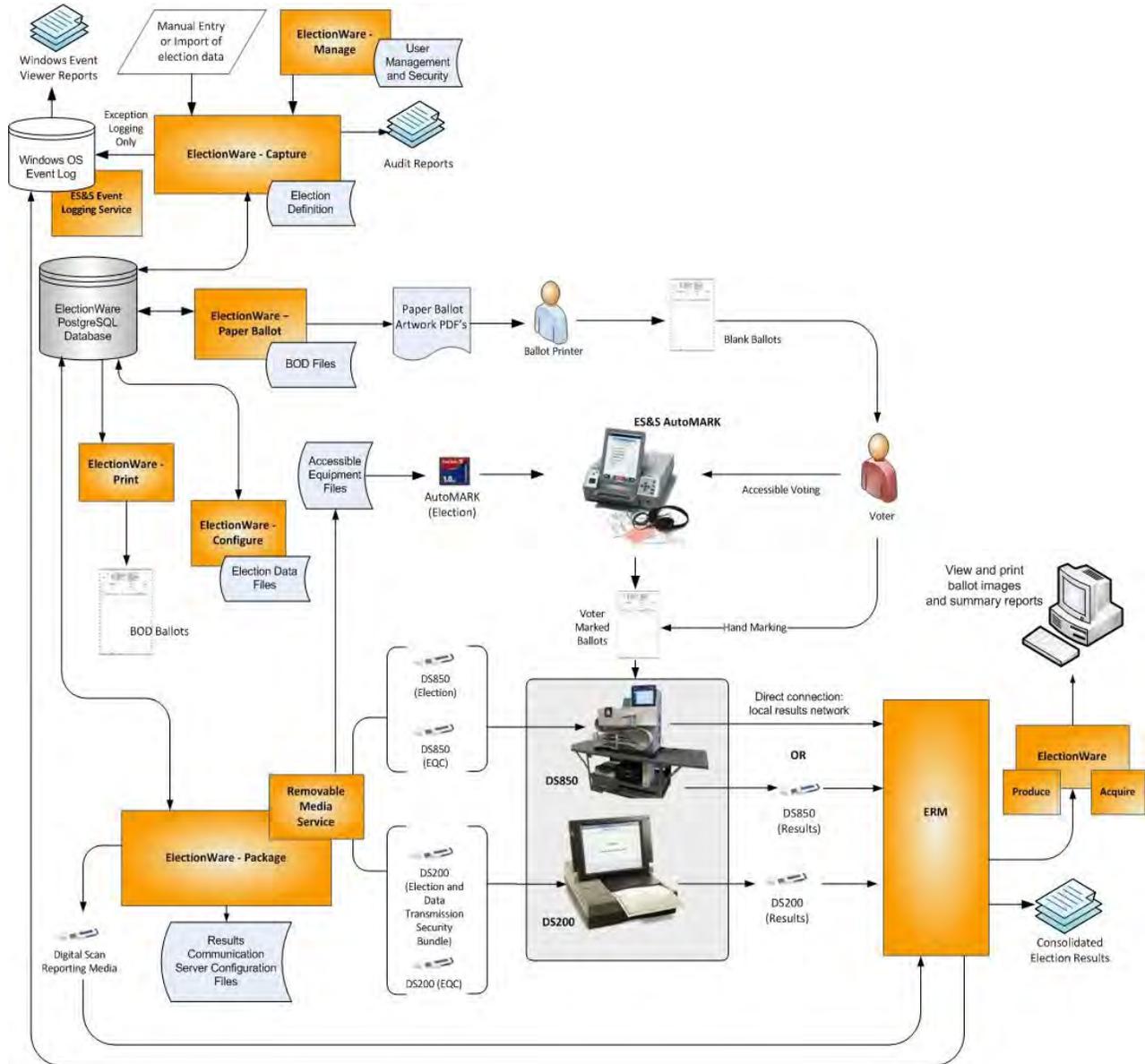
Bic Grip Roller Pen

Language capability:

EVS 5.0.0.0 supports English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean and Japanese ballot languages.

Components Included:

This section provides information describing the components and revision level of the primary components included in this Certification.



System Component	Software or Firmware Version	Hardware Version	Operating System or COTS	Comments
DS200	2.7.0.0	1.2		Precinct Digital Scanner
AutoMARK A100	1.8.1.0	1.0		ADA Ballot Marking Device
AutoMARK A200	1.8.1.0	1.1, 1.3		ADA Ballot Marking Device
AutoMARK A300	1.8.1.0	1.3		ADA Ballot Marking Device
DS850	2.4.0.0	1.0		Central Count Scanner, high-speed
Ballot Box Hardware		1.2, 1.3		Plastic ballot box
Ballot Box Hardware		1.0, 1.1, 1.2		Metal ballot box with/without diverter
Election Ware	4.1.0.0			
Election Reporting Manager (ERM)	8.6.0.0			
ES&S Event Log Service	1.5.0.0			
VAT Previewer	1.8.1.0			
Removable Media Service	1.4.0.0			
EMS Reporting Workstation		Dell Optiplex 980		
EMS Server		Dell PowerEdge T710		
EMS reporting Laptop		Dell Latitude E6410		
Ballot on Demand Printer		OKI B6300		
DS850 Report Printer		OKI B430dn		Laser report printer
DS850 Report Printer		Microline 420		Dot Matrix Printer
DS850 Audit Log		HP LaserJet 4050N		
Headphones		Avid FV-060		
USB Flash Drive		Delkin 512MB		
USB Flash Drive		Delkin 4GB		
USB Flash Drive		Delkin 8 GB		
USB Flash Drive		Delkin 1 GB		
USB Flash Drive		Delkin 2 GB		
Compact Flash		SanDisk 1.0 GB capacity & 2.0 GB capacity. Toshiba 1.0 GB capacity		

System Limitations

This table depicts the limits the system has been tested and certified to meet.

System Characteristic	Boundary or Limitation	Limiting Component
Max. precincts allowed in an election	At least 9900	ERM
Max. count for any precinct element	500,000 (65,500 from any tabulator media)	ERM report (ERM results import)
Max. candidates allowed per election	Depends on election content (limited by 21,000 maximum counters) ¹	ERM
Max. contests allowed in an election	Depends on election content (limited by 21,000 maximum counters) ²	ERM
Max. counters allowed per precinct	Limits candidates and contests assigned to a precinct to 1,000 ³	ERM
Max. contests allowed per ballot style	200 or number of positions on ballot	N/A
Max. candidates (ballot choices) allowed per contest	175	ERM (database create)
Max. number of parties allowed	General election: 75 Primary election: 20 (including nonpartisan party)	ERM (database create)
Max. 'vote for' per contest	98	ERM (database create)
Ballot formats	All paper ballots used in an election must be the same size and contain the number of response rows.	Ballot scanning equipment
Max. Ballot Styles	9900	ERM
Max. District Types/Groups	20	ERM
Max. districts of a given type ⁴	40	ERM

¹ Calculation of the number of counters must include a minimum of 4 counters for each contest, 3 overhead (overvote, undervote, precincts counted) and at least 1 candidate. Additional contest candidates each add a counter. If some precincts are defined as Absentee, a fourth overhead counter (absentee precincts counted) must be added to each contest. The number of statistical counters (Ballots Cast, Registered voters) must be added to the contest counters to determine the total counters.

² Example of maximum contest calculation if all contests had 2 candidates (5 counters each, 3 overhead counters + 2 candidates) and there were 10 statistical counters (i.e. Ballots Cast-Total, Republican, Democratic, Libertarian, Nonpartisan and Registered Voters-Total, Republican, Democratic, Libertarian, Nonpartisan. $(21000-20)/5 = 4196$ or $(\text{counter limit} - \text{statistics} \times 2)/\text{number of counters}/\text{contest} = \text{number of contests}$.

³ Contest counters are calculated as indicated in footnote 1, but two counters must be added for each statistical counter defined for the precinct. There are a minimum of 3 statistic counters assigned to each precinct (six added counters), "Ballots Cast," "Registered Voters" and "Ballots Cast Blank."

⁴ Excludes the Precinct Group which contains all precincts.

System Characteristic	Boundary or Limitation		Limiting Component
Supported Languages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English • Spanish • Chinese 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Korean • Japanese 	System Configuration

Component Limitations:

PAPER BALLOT LIMITATIONS

1. The paper ballot code channel, which is the series of black boxes that appear between the timing track and ballot contents, limits the number of available ballot variations depending on how a jurisdiction uses this code to differentiate ballots. The code can be used to differentiate ballots using three different fields defined as: Sequence (available codes 1-26,839), Type (available codes 1-30) or Split (available codes 1-40).
2. If Sequence is used as a ballot style ID, it must be unique election-wide and the Split code will always be 1. In this case the practical style limit would be 26,000.

DS200

The ES&S DS200 configured for an early vote station does not support precinct level results reporting. An election summary report of tabulated vote totals is supported.

AUTOMARK Voter Assist Terminal

ES&S AutoMARK capacities exceed all documented limitations for the ES&S election management, vote tabulation and reporting system. For this reason, Election Management System and ballot tabulator limitations define the boundaries and capabilities of the AutoMARK system as the maximum capacities of the ES&S AutoMARK are never approached during testing

Election Ware

ElectionWare capacities exceed the boundaries and limitations documented for ES&S voting equipment and election reporting software. For this reason, ERM and ballot tabulator limitations define the boundaries and capabilities of ElectionWare system.

ELECTION REPORTING MANAGER

1. Election Reporting Manager requires a minimum monitor screen resolution of 800x600.
2. ERM Database Create allows 1600 Precincts per Ballot Style.
3. There is a limit of 3510 precincts in the precincts counted/not counted display.
4. There is a limit of 3000 precincts in the precincts counted/not counted scrolling display.

5. Contest/Precinct selection pop up display limited to 3000 contests/precincts.
6. Non-English characters are not supported in ERM. This has to do with the creation of the XML results file out of ERM.
7. ERM's maximum page size for reports is 5,000 pages.
8. Generating a District Canvass Report without first properly creating a .DST file can result in inaccurate totals reports and inconsistent report formatting.

Functionality

2005 VVSG Supported Functionality Declaration

Feature/Characteristic	Yes/No	Comment
Voter Verified Paper Audit Trails		
VVPAT	No	
Accessibility		
Forward Approach	Yes	
Parallel (Side) Approach	Yes	
Closed Primary		
Primary: Closed	Yes	
Open Primary		
Primary: Open Standard (provide definition of how supported)	Yes	
Primary: Open Blanket (provide definition of how supported)	No	
Partisan & Non-Partisan:		
Partisan & Non-Partisan: Vote for 1 of N race	Yes	
Partisan & Non-Partisan: Multi-member ("vote for N of M") board races	Yes	
Partisan & Non-Partisan: "vote for 1" race with a single candidate and write-in voting	Yes	
Partisan & Non-Partisan "vote for 1" race with no declared candidates and write-in voting	Yes	
Write-In Voting:		
Write-in Voting: System default is a voting position identified for write-ins.	Yes	
Write-in Voting: Without selecting a write in position.	Yes	
Write-in: With No Declared Candidates	Yes	
Write-in: Identification of write-ins for resolution at central count	Yes	
Primary Presidential Delegation Nominations & Slates:		
Primary Presidential Delegation Nominations: Displayed delegate slates for each presidential party	No	
Slate & Group Voting: one selection votes the slate.	No	
Ballot Rotation:		
Rotation of Names within an Office; define all supported rotation methods for location on the ballot and vote tabulation/reporting	Yes	
Straight Party Voting:		

Feature/Characteristic	Yes/No	Comment
Straight Party: A single selection for partisan races in a general election	Yes	
Straight Party: Vote for each candidate individually	Yes	
Straight Party: Modify straight party selections with crossover votes	Yes	
Straight Party: A race without a candidate for one party	Yes	
Straight Party: N of M race (where "N">1)	Yes	
Straight Party: Excludes a partisan contest from the straight party selection	Yes	
Cross-Party Endorsement:		
Cross party endorsements, multiple parties endorse one candidate.	Yes	
Split Precincts:		
Split Precincts: Multiple ballot styles	Yes	
Split Precincts: P & M system support splits with correct contests and ballot identification of each split	Yes	
Split Precincts: DRE matches voter to all applicable races.	No	
Split Precincts: Reporting of voter counts (# of voters) to the precinct split level; Reporting of vote totals is to the precinct level	Yes	It is possible to list the number of voters.
Vote N of M:	Yes	
Vote for N of M: Counts each selected candidate, if the maximum is not exceeded.	No	
Vote for N of M: Invalidates all candidates in an overvote (paper)	No	
Recall Issues, with options:		
Recall Issues with Options: Simple Yes/No with separate race/election. (Vote Yes or No Question)	Yes	
Recall Issues with Options: Retain is the first option, Replacement candidate for the second or more options (Vote 1 of M)	Yes	
Recall Issues with Options: Two contests with access to a second contest conditional upon a specific vote in contest one. (Must vote Yes to vote in 2 nd contest.)	No	
Recall Issues with Options: Two contests with access to a second contest conditional upon any vote in contest one. (Must vote Yes to vote in 2 nd contest.)	No	Overturned - US District Court 7/29/03: CA Election Code sect. 11383
Cumulative Voting		
Cumulative Voting: Voters are permitted to cast, as many votes as there are seats to be filled for one or more candidates. Voters are not limited to giving only one vote to a candidate. Instead, they can put multiple votes on one or more candidate.	No	
Ranked Order Voting		
Ranked Order Voting: Voters can write in a ranked vote.	No	
Ranked Order Voting: A ballot stops being counting when all ranked choices have been eliminated	No	
Ranked Order Voting: A ballot with a skipped rank counts the vote for the next rank.	No	

Feature/Characteristic	Yes/No	Comment
Ranked Order Voting: Voters rank candidates in a contest in order of choice. A candidate receiving a majority of the first choice votes wins. If no candidate receives a majority of first choice votes, the last place candidate is deleted, each ballot cast for the deleted candidate counts for the second choice candidate listed on the ballot. The process of eliminating the last place candidate and recounting the ballots continues until one candidate receives a majority of the vote	No	
Ranked Order Voting: A ballot with two choices ranked the same, stops being counted at the point of two similarly ranked choices.	No	
Ranked Order Voting: The total number of votes for two or more candidates with the least votes is less than the votes of the candidate with the next highest number of votes, the candidates with the least votes are eliminated simultaneously and their votes transferred to the next-ranked continuing candidate.	No	
Provisional or Challenged Ballots		
Provisional/Challenged Ballots: A voted provisional ballots is identified but not included in the tabulation, but can be added in the central count.	Yes	
Provisional/Challenged Ballots: A voted provisional ballots is included in the tabulation, but is identified and can be subtracted in the central count	Yes	
Provisional/Challenged Ballots: Provisional ballots maintain the secrecy of the ballot.	Yes	
Overvotes (must support for specific type of voting system)		
Overvotes: P & M: Overvote invalidates the vote. Define how overvotes are counted.	Yes	
Overvotes: DRE: Prevented from or requires correction of overvoting.	No	
Overvotes: If a system does not prevent overvotes, it must count them. Define how overvotes are counted.	Yes	
Overvotes: DRE systems that provide a method to data enter absentee votes must account for overvotes.	No	
Undervotes		
Undervotes: System counts undervotes cast for accounting purposes	Yes	
Blank Ballots		
Totally Blank Ballots: Any blank ballot alert is tested.	Yes	
Totally Blank Ballots: If blank ballots are not immediately processed, there must be a provision to recognize and accept them	Yes	
Totally Blank Ballots: If operators can access a blank ballot, there must be a provision for resolution.	Yes	
Networking		
Wide Area Network – Use of Modems	No	
Wide Area Network – Use of Wireless	No	
Local Area Network – Use of TCP/IP	No	
Local Area Network – Use of Infrared	No	
Local Area Network – Use of Wireless	No	
FIPS 140-2 validated cryptographic module	No	
Used as (if applicable):		

Change ID	Date	Component	Description	Inclusion
1388	5/2/13	DS200 Carry Case	Add a hinge reinforcement bracket to the DS200 carry case	De Minimis Optional



**Arizona Secretary of State
Certified Vote Tabulating Equipment
Pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-442**

As of June 17, 2013

Company	Voting System/System Component	Software	Hardware/Firmware	EAC System ID #	AZ Certification Date
Diebold	GEMS 1-18-24 Voting System *See original certification 11/2005	EMP Model D software (4.6.2)	AccuVote-TSX DRE Model D (4.6.4) ExpressPoll 5000 Electronic Poll Book (CardWriter (1.0) component only) Election Media Processor (EMP) Model D software (4.6.2)	N-1-06-22-22-003 N-1-06-22-22-004 N-1-06-22-22-005	June 15, 2007
ES&S	EVS 5.0.0.0 Voting System	ElectionWare (4.1.0.0) Event Log Service (1.5.0.0) Election Reporting Manager (ERM) (8.6.0.0) Removable Media Service (1.4.0.0) VAT Previewer (1.8.1.0)	Paper Ballot (3.1.0.0) DS200 hardware version 1.2 (firmware version 2.7.0.0) DS850 hardware version 1.0 (firmware version 2.4.0.0) AutoMARK A100 hardware version 1.0 (firmware version 1.8.1.0) AutoMARK A200 hardware version 1.1 (firmware version 1.8.1.0) AutoMARK A200 hardware version 1.3 (firmware version 1.8.1.0) AutoMARK A300 hardware version 1.3 (firmware version 1.8.1.0) DS200 Plastic Ballot Box (hardware versions 1.2, 1.3) Metal Ballot Box with Diverter (hardware versions 1.0, 1.1, 1.2) Metal Ballot Box without Diverter (hardware versions 1.0, 1.1, 1.2) 15 Engineering Change Orders	ESSEVS5000	June 17, 2013
ES&S	Model 650 with the Unity 3.0.1.1 Voting System *See original certification June 15, 2007	Unity 3.0.1.1	Model 650 (2.1.0.0) *Now included as part of the voting system suite previously certified on June 15, 2007	N-2-02-22-22-006	October 19, 2011

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As of June 17, 2013

ES&S	Unity 3.0.1.1 / AutoMark 1.1 Voting System	Audit Manager (7.3.0.0) Election Data Manager (7.4.4.0) ES&S Image Manager (7.4.2.0) Hardware Programming Manager (5.2.4.0) Data Acquisition Manager (6.0.0.0) Election Reporting Manager (7.1.2.1) AutoMARK AIMS (1.2.18)	Model 100 Optical Scan Tabulator (5.2.1.0) AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminal (1.1.2258)	N-2-02-22-22-006 N-2-02-22-22-007	June 15, 2007
Sequoia	AVC Edge 5.0/WinEDS 3.1.038	WinEDS (3.1.038) SPR Host (1.09)	AVC Edge II (5.0.24) VeriVote Printer (4.3) HAAT Model 50 Card Activator (1.0.79L) Optech Insight (APX K2.10, HPX K1.42) Optech Insight with Modem (APX K2.10, HPX K1.42, CPX K1.14) 400-C/WinETP (3.00P/1.12.4) Memory Pack Reader (MPR) (2.15)	N-1-07-22-22-003	August 1, 2006
Sequoia	WinEDS 3.1.074 / AVC Edge 5.0 Voting System	WinEDS (3.1.074) SPR Host (1.0.10)	AVC Edge II (5.0.31) with VeriVote VVPAT (4.3) & Edge Audio Unit (5.0 Rev. C) HAAT Model 50 Card Activator (2.1.18) Optech Insight (APX K2.12, HPX K1.44) Optech Insight with Modem (APX K2.12, HPX K1.44, CPX K1.14) 400-C/WinETP (3.00P/1.14.3) Memory Pack Reader (MPR) (2.15)	N-1-07-22-22-004	June 15, 2007

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Sequoia	WinEDS 3.1.074 /AVC Edge 5.0 Voting System	WinEDS (3.1.074)	*WinEDS Election Reporting (1.1.7.0) *WinEDS Election Results (1.1.1.0) *EDGE2plus Model 300 DRE (1.2.33) *Additional components of the previously certified voting system	N-1-07-22-22-004	November 19, 2007
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EVS5.0



Powerful Election Management

EVS 5.0 is our newest fully integrated election management solution. This suite provides enhancements to the DS200™, the industry's most widely used digital precinct scanner, the ADA compliant AutoMARK®, designed for voters with special needs, and the DS850™ the world's fastest and most accurate digital central scanner.

These advanced devices are supported by Electionware™, the industry's newest, most sophisticated, secure and reliable Election Management Software (EMS). This solution suite meets and exceeds the United States EAC's 2005 VVSG standards and brings forth a new realm of usability for voters and election officials alike. ES&S leveraged more than 30 years of election expertise to launch its 8th generation high-speed digital central scanner, the DS850.

Intelligent by design, ElectionWare, ESS's Election Management System solution, provides end-to-end election management activities through a powerful and intuitive user interface. Built on strengths of 40+ years of election software experience, its efficient and flexible design enables jurisdiction of all sizes to effectively manage their elections.

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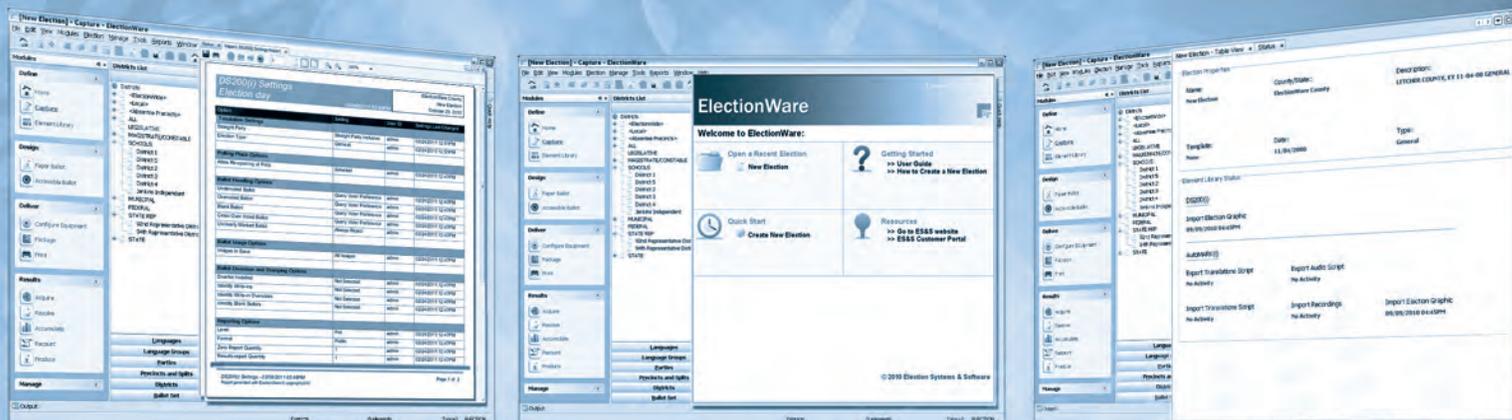
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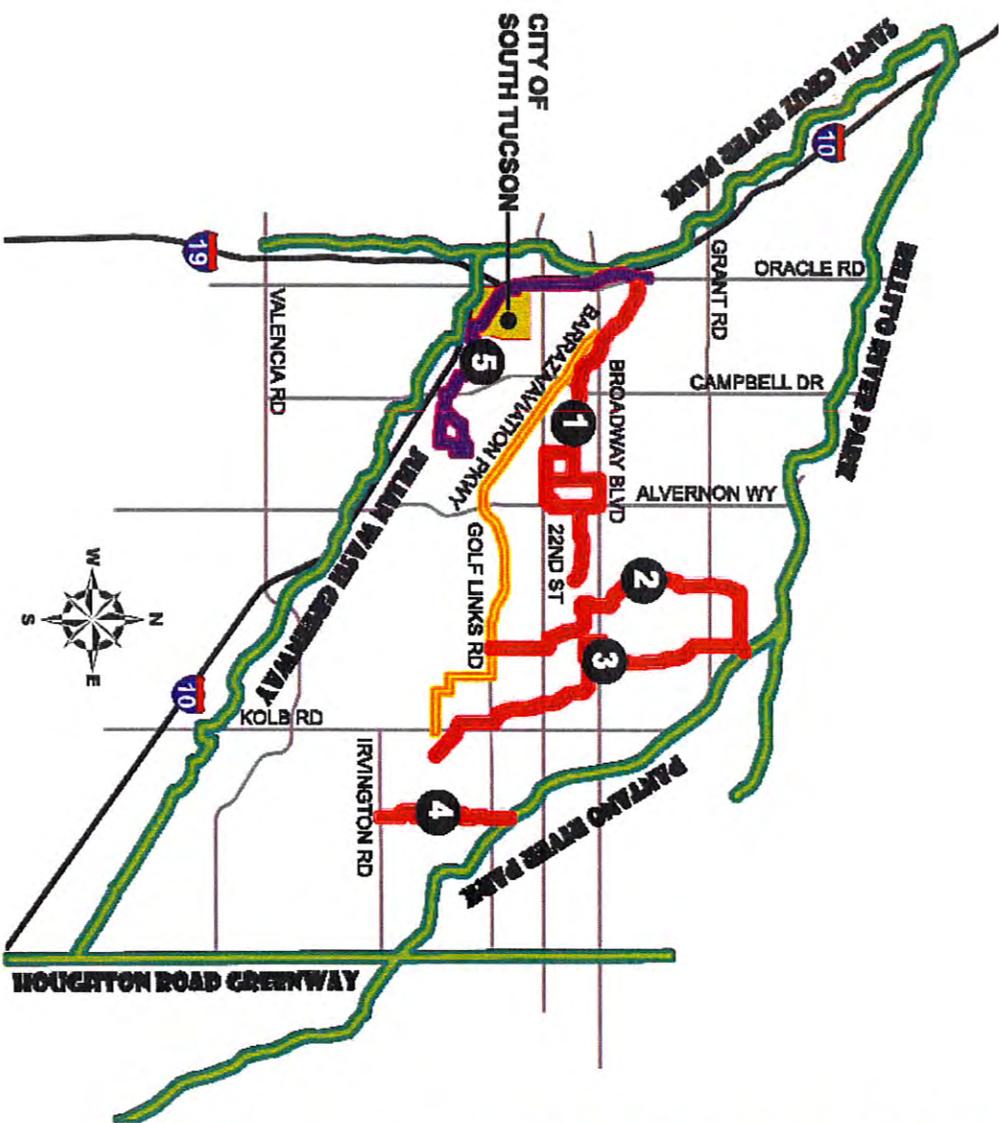
Attachment C
Urban Greenways City of Tucson Project Map and
Sample of One County Project Map

**CITY OF TUCSON
PIMA COUNTY
BOND PROJECT PR34**

**URBAN
GREENWAYS**

LEGEND

-  URBAN LOOP
-  BARRAZNAVIATION & GOLF LINKS PATH
-  ORIGINAL PROPOSAL
-  1 ARROYO CHICO URBAN GREENWAY
-  2 ARCADIA URBAN GREENWAY
-  3 ALAMO URBAN GREENWAY
-  4 ATTURBURY URBAN GREENWAY
-  ADDITIONAL SOUTHSIDE GREENWAY
-  5 EL PASO SOUTHWESTERN GREENWAY



Tucson Parks and Recreation

Attachment D
Revised Sports Fields and Lighting Project Sheet

Department: Pima County
Date: Revised August, 2013

Future Bond Election Proposed Project

Project Name: Regional Sports Fields and Lighting

Location: Various parks across throughout metropolitan Pima County as listed in the scope.

Scope: Lighting System Replacements

Bud Walker Park – replace lighting system on two multi-purpose fields
 Freedom Park – replace lighting system on 1 softball field
 Gollub Park – replace lighting system on 1 baseball field
 Jacobs-Ochoa Park – replace lighting system on 1 soccer field
 Kennedy Park – replace lighting system on 1 softball field
 Lakeside Park – replace lighting systems on 1 softball and 1 soccer field
 Lincoln Park – replace lighting systems on 4 softball and 2 soccer fields
 McDonald Park – replace 4 baseball fields
 Menlo Park – replace lighting system on 1 soccer field
 Mike Jacobs Sports Park – replace lighting on 1 field
 Murrieta Park – replace lighting systems on 3 softball and 1 baseball field
 Oury Park – replace lighting systems on 2 softball fields
 Palo Verde Park – replace lighting system on 1 multi-purpose field
 Rudy Garcia Park – replace lighting systems on 1 softball, 1 little league, and 1 soccer field
 Santa Rita Park – replace lighting system on 1 softball field
 Thomas Jay/Littletown park – replace 1 baseball field and – connect existing lighting on 3 fields to central controller
 Three Points Veteran’s memorial – connect existing lighting on 3 fields to central controller
 Udall Park – replace lighting systems on 2 softball and 2 soccer fields

Lighting Existing Fields

Arthur Pack – light 3 multi-use fields
 Brandi Fenton memorial Park –add lighting to one existing field
 Bud Walker – add lights to one multi-purpose field
 Columbus Park – install lighting systems on 2 little league fields
 Golf Links Park – install lighting system on 1 soccer field
 Jacobs Park – install lighting systems on 2 multi-purpose fields
 Mike Jacobs Sports Park – add lighting to ancillary facilities (parking lot, Fun Spot)
 Mission Manor Park – install lighting system on 1 little league field
 Murrieta Park – install lighting system on 1 baseball field
 Northwest YMCA – light 2 softball and one soccer fields
 Palo Verde Park – install lighting system on 1 softball field
 Rudy Garcia Park – install lighting system on one soccer field
 Sunnyside Park – install lighting systems on 1 soccer and 1 baseball field
 Thomas Jay/Littletown park – 1 new baseball fields

New Fields with Lights

Mission Manor Park – construct 2 new soccer fields with lighting systems
 Estavan or Jacobs Parks – construct 1 new soccer field with lighting system

Benefits: Will increase usage of existing fields, lower light pollution, increase energy efficiency, and reduce electrical costs.

Costs: \$15 million

Bond Funding: \$15 million

Other Funding: TBD

Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date: TBD

Project Management Jurisdiction: TBD

Future Operating and Maintenance Costs: This project will impact the City of Tucson and Pima County's Parks' Operations and Management budget and will be incorporated into the annual budget.

Regional Benefits: Lighting these fields provides opportunity for residents region-wide to have access to fields during the most popular playing times.

Supervisor District of Project Location: All

Base Costs		Field Development
BBALL	\$ 150,000	\$ 300,000
Soccer	\$ 175,000	
Pkg	\$ 100,000	

Replacement	BBALL	Soccer	Pkg	BBALL	Soccer	Pkg	Field dev	total	Plus soft cost - 30%
Bud Walker Park – replace lighting system on two multi-purpose fields			2	\$ -	\$ 350,000	\$ -		\$ 350,000	\$ 455,000
Freedom Park – replace lighting system on 1 softball field	1			\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 150,000	\$ 195,000
Gollub Park – replace lighting system on 1 baseball field	2			\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 300,000	\$ 390,000
Jacobs-Ochoa Park – replace lighting system on 1 soccer field		1		\$ -	\$ 175,000	\$ -		\$ 175,000	\$ 227,500
Kennedy Park – replace lighting system on 1 softball field	1			\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 150,000	\$ 195,000
Lakeside Park – replace lighting systems on 1 softball and 1 soccer field	1	1		\$ 150,000	\$ 175,000	\$ -		\$ 325,000	\$ 422,500
Lincoln Park – replace lighting systems on 4 softball and 2 soccer fields	4	2		\$ 600,000	\$ 350,000	\$ -		\$ 950,000	\$ 1,235,000
McDonald Park – replace 4 baseball fields	4			\$ 600,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 600,000	\$ 780,000
Menlo Park – replace lighting system on 1 soccer field	1			\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 150,000	\$ 195,000
Mike Jacobs Sports Park – replace lighting on 1 field	1			\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 150,000	\$ 195,000
Murrieta Park – replace lighting systems on 3 softball and 1 baseball field	4			\$ 600,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 600,000	\$ 780,000
Oury Park – replace lighting systems on 2 softball fields	2			\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 300,000	\$ 390,000
Palo Verde Park – replace lighting system on 1 multi-purpose field			1	\$ -	\$ 175,000	\$ -		\$ 175,000	\$ 227,500
Rudy Garcia Park – replace lighting systems on 1 softball, 1 little league, and 1 soccer field	2	1		\$ 300,000	\$ 175,000	\$ -		\$ 475,000	\$ 617,500
Santa Rita Park – replace lighting system on 1 softball field	1			\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 150,000	\$ 195,000
Thomas Jay/Littletown park – replace 2 baseball fields	2			\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 300,000	\$ 390,000
Three Points Veteran’s memorial – connect existing lighting on 3 fields to central controller	3			\$ 450,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 450,000	\$ 585,000
Udall Park – replace lighting systems on 2 softball and 2 soccer fields	2	2		\$ 300,000	\$ 350,000	\$ -		\$ 650,000	\$ 845,000
new									
Arthur Pack – light 3 multi-use fields			3	\$ -	\$ 525,000	\$ -		\$ 525,000	\$ 682,500
Brandi Fenton memorial Park –add lighting to one existing field	1			\$ -	\$ 175,000	\$ -		\$ 175,000	\$ 227,500
Bud Walker – add lights to one multi-purpose field	1			\$ -	\$ 175,000	\$ -		\$ 175,000	\$ 227,500
Columbus Park – install lighting systems on 2 little league fields		2		\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 300,000	\$ 390,000
Golf Links Park – install lighting system on 1 soccer field			1	\$ -	\$ 175,000	\$ -		\$ 175,000	\$ 227,500
Jacobs Park – install lighting systems on 2 multi-purpose fields		2		\$ -	\$ 350,000	\$ -		\$ 350,000	\$ 455,000
Mike Jacobs Sports Park – add lighting to ancillary facilities (parking lot, Fun Spot)			2	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200,000		\$ 200,000	\$ 260,000
Mission Manor Park – install lighting system on 1 little league field	1			\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 150,000	\$ 195,000
Murrieta Park – install lighting system on 1 baseball field	1			\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 150,000	\$ 195,000
Northwest YMCA – light 2 softball and one soccer fields	2	1		\$ 300,000	\$ 175,000	\$ -		\$ 475,000	\$ 617,500
Palo Verde Park – install lighting system on 1 softball field	1			\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 150,000	\$ 195,000
Rudy Garcia Park – install lighting system on one soccer field	1			\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 150,000	\$ 195,000
Sunnyside Park – install lighting systems on 1 soccer and 1 baseball field	1	1		\$ 150,000	\$ 175,000	\$ -		\$ 325,000	\$ 422,500
New fields, with lighting									
Mission Manor Park – construct 2 new soccer fields with lighting systems		2			\$ 350,000		\$ 600,000	\$ 950,000	\$ 1,235,000
Estavan or Jacobs Parks – construct 1 new soccer field with lighting system		1			\$ 175,000		\$ 300,000	\$ 475,000	\$ 617,500

	CON cost	Project Budget
Replacement	\$ 6,400,000	\$ 8,320,000
New	\$ 3,300,000	\$ 4,290,000
Light + fields	\$ 1,425,000	\$ 1,852,500
Total costs	\$ 11,125,000	\$ 14,462,500

Attachment E
Revised Adaptive Recreation Center Project Sheet

Future Bond Election Proposed Projects

Project Name: ADAPTIVE RECREATION CENTER EXPANSION

PR220

Location: This project is located at 3455 E. Zoo Court, which is within the incorporated jurisdiction of the City of Tucson, Ward 6.

Scope: Design and construction of an expansion of the Adaptive Recreation Center located in Reid Park. The Adaptive Recreation Center is the only recreation center in Pima County planned specifically to address the needs of those in the community with disabilities. Planning began in 1993 with a preliminary master plan then progressed in 1997 to a more detailed schematic design for the projected long range build out of the center. The City of Tucson Mayor and Council adopted the master plan in 2000. The master plan identifies two major components of the center – an aquatic facility and a non-aquatic (‘dry’) facility. The aquatic facility was built using City of Tucson 2000 bond funds. The design and construction of the ‘dry’ facility is the scope of the proposed Pima County bond funded project, PR220. The dry facility will support therapeutic programming for a wide variety of disabilities. The planned ‘dry’ facility includes a kitchen for life skills, nutrition classes and social programming, a gym/multipurpose room for Special Olympics and sports programming (basketball, floor hockey, team handball), a walking track with emergency call stations, frequent benches for rest and a surveillance system for walking clubs and a fitness room with accessible equipment. Other programming to address life skills, fitness, socialization, nutrition and developmental delays will occur in the planned rooms for changing clothes, aerobic exercise, arts and crafts, games, social gatherings, meetings, quiet respite and computer training. The associated parking facilities will have more accessible spaces than is minimally required by code.

Benefits: This project will address the community’s needs for indoor recreation for the members of the community with disabilities as well as the general public. Currently the City of Tucson supports a therapeutic recreation program that provides life skills training, recreation, fitness and socialization for clients from 6 months of age to adulthood. This existing programming is confined by a lack of space to accommodate all who wish to participate. For example, capacity at children’s summer camps is limited and results in waiting lists and children that can’t be accommodated. The Kids Zone program for children age 3 – 5 is currently held in a small space that can’t accommodate all who wish to participate. The Special Olympics athletes compete for time at existing indoor gymnasiums. Besides expanding the capacity of existing programming, the Adaptive Recreation Center expansion would facilitate additional programming such as walking clubs, fitness groups and life skills training. The City’s therapeutic program is a well established, well respected resource for the members of our community with disabilities that are in need of a wide range of services to address the diverse issues experienced by those with Parkinson’s disease, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis, arthritis, asthma, stroke effects, heart disease, cancer, diabetes, brain and spinal cord injury, epilepsy, blindness and visual impairments, deafness and hearing impairments, cerebral palsy, autism, attention deficit, emotional/behavioral/learning disabilities, addictions, multiple chemical sensitivities and more.

Costs: \$12,000,000

Bond Funding: \$12,000,000

Other Funding: City of Tucson funding has supported the master planning as well and the design and construction of the aquatic facility, the first component of the long range build out of the Adaptive Recreation Center.

Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date: The Project Start and Finish Dates will be determined as part of the Bond Program Implementation Phase and through a cooperative dialogue between the City of Tucson and Pima County.

Project Management Jurisdiction: The City of Tucson will have project management jurisdiction of this project.

Future Operating and Maintenance Costs: This project will impact the City of Tucson Operation and Maintenance Budget. The City will identify this impact and incorporate it into its annual budget process to cover the increased cost associated with the addition of these facilities.

Regional Benefits: The Adaptive Recreation Center is the only existing center focused on the needs of members of our community with disabilities. The expansion would provide increased programming capacity and new programming to serve citizens throughout Pima County.

Supervisor District of Project Location: 2

For Internal Use only:

Specific County Administrator Contemporary Issue being addressed with expenditure:

Attachment F
Southwest Fair Commission Master Plan
Multi-Use Facility



PIMA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS MASTER PLAN

For The Southwestern Fair Commission, Inc.

TUCSON, ARIZONA

OCTOBER 27, 2011

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Mr. Jon Baker
Executive Director
The Southwestern Fair Commission, Inc.
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Pima County Fairgrounds Master Plan
Tucson, Arizona

Dear Jon,

The following is the master plan for the Pima County Fairgrounds per our agreement. Thank you and The Southwestern Fair Commission for allowing us to be part of the County's continuing growth and development.

Respectively submitted,



Charles Smith AIA, NCARB
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Introduction

Populous is a global firm that specializes in the planning and design of buildings and spaces where people gather and as such is the world's leaders in the design of sports, entertainment and cultural assembly facilities. This includes fairgrounds, event centers, arenas and equestrian complexes. Charlie Smith AIA, NCARB and Todd Gralla SDA, both Populous Principals, led the project team in the development of this master plan for the Pima County Fairgrounds. This plan will ultimately lead to significant improvements to the existing facilities and construction of new facilities allowing the fairgrounds to keep pace with the expectations of the market and increase revenue generation.

Process

The process used to develop the master plan consists of three phases; analysis, alternatives and development of the final master plan. In the analysis phase interviews were conducted with County officials, members of the Southwest Fair Commission Board, facility users, staff and other interested parties; site analysis diagrams were developed ; and a facilities program formalized. Additionally, the planning team examined the Southeast Regional Park (SERP) Draft Master Plan, the June 2010 Fairgrounds Wastewater Alignment Feasibility Analysis, and the Pima County Fair 2011 Strategic Plan. During the second phase alternatives were developed for the complete fairgrounds site, including the possible addition of a major horse racing component. These final master plans, incorporate comments, analysis, growth projections and two major options (with horse track and without). The master plans, conceptual drawings, modeling of select major components, and order of magnitude cost projections are included herein.

Master Plan Objectives

The following master plan objectives were developed as a result of the on-site analysis and stakeholder interviews:

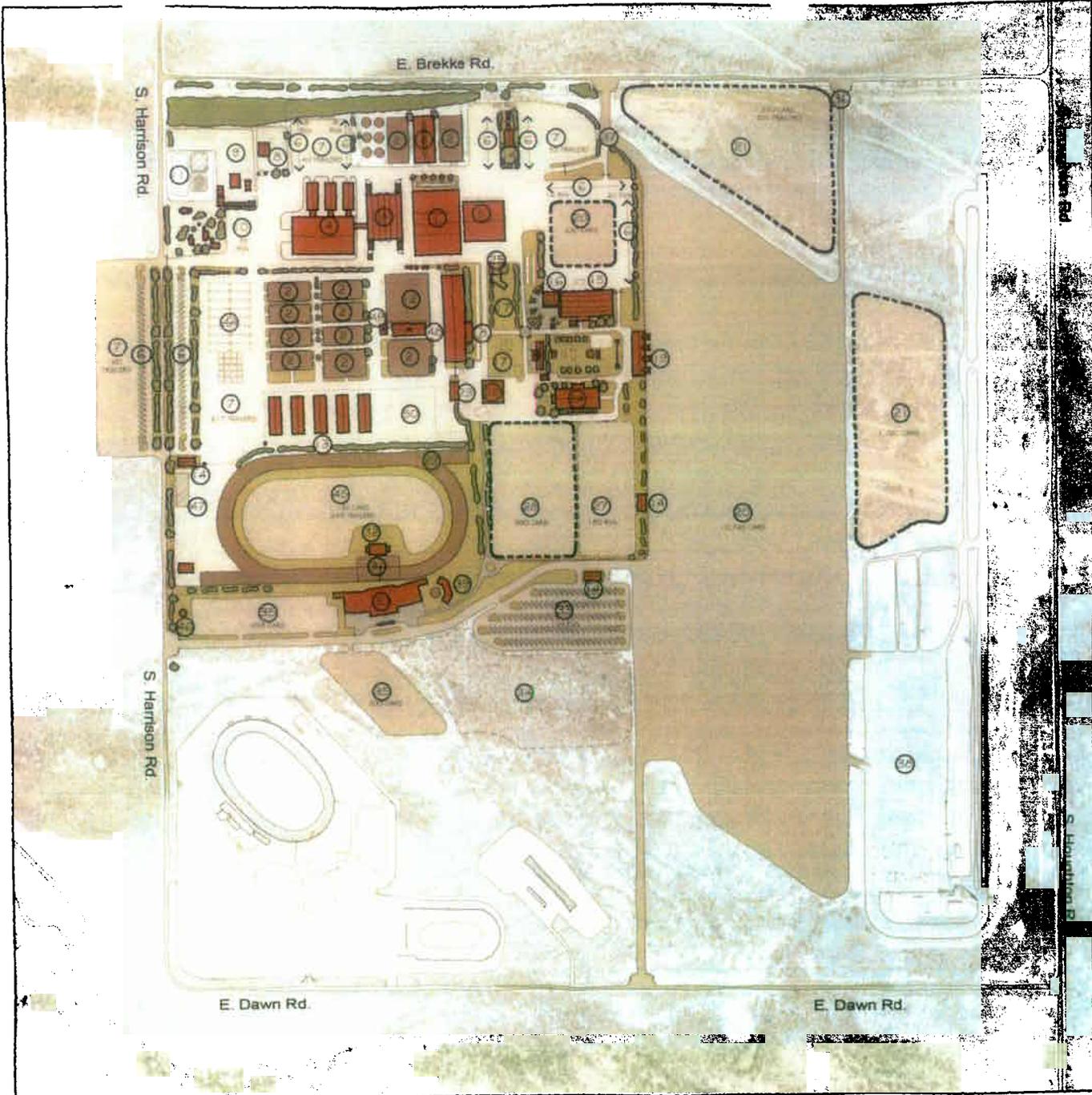
- Improve the Equestrian Center Marketability
- Improve Marketability of Selected Fairground Buildings
- Fully Comply with All ADA and Life/Safety Requirements
- Improve Site Ambience and Enhancements
- Improve Way Finding and Site Identification
- Improve Site Circulation and Parking
- Improve and Expand Recreational Vehicle Parking & Services
- Provide Space for Future Carnival Expansion
- Reduce Conflicts Among the Concert and Equestrian Venues

Master Plan Recommendations

Recommended improvements to the Fairgrounds are classified into two primary groups; “betterment” which make the complex more appealing and user friendly; and those for “revenue enhancement.” Betterment and revenue enhancement recommendations are shown on the graphic master plan and associated sketches. Most notably, the new Cantina along with the renovated Pima Hall, the new concert venue or grandstand (whichever option moves forward), and RV parking are projected to be the highest “revenue enhancement” components. Parking enhancements, landscaping, building façade and entry renovations, and the addition of new toilets are all significant “betterment” improvements.

Two master plan options were developed for the fairgrounds, based primarily on the integration of a horse racecourse (the relocation of the existing Rellito Racecourse near downtown Tucson) vs. the development of a new outdoor concert venue. The horse racing venue, if outside funding were made available to build the racecourse, is only seen to be viable at the fairgrounds site if it is designed to be multi-use and capable of hosting major concerts, outdoor rodeo and other events. Option #1 shows the development of a major new outdoor concert venue south of the core fairgrounds area with sound directed to the southwest and away from the core area, which may be hosting other events such as conferences and/or horse shows. This southern location also splits the main parking area nearly in half, providing ample opportunity for VIP and ADA parking both at the new main entry structure and at the concert venue, with reasonable walking access to all parking. It is clear from this exercise that the free-standing concert venue is the most viable choice if outside funding is not provided for the construction of the horse racing venue.

The following pages briefly describe the major “betterment” and “revenue enhancement” components of the master plan options.



- 1 EXISTING BARN / ARENA
- 2 EXISTING OUTDOOR ARENA
- 3 EXISTING BARN, RENOVATED
- 4 RODEO ARENA
- 5 EXISTING
- 6 PREMIUM R.V. PARKING
- 7 TRAILER PARKING
- 8 RELOCATED HAY / FEED / BEDDING FACILITY
- 9 EXPANDED MAINTENANCE
- 10 EXISTING - SMALL R.V.
- 11 EXISTING SEWAGE LAGOON
- 12 TURF GRAND PRIX FIELD
- 13 NEW 80 STALL BARN - PHASE 1 CONSTRUCTION
- 14 R.V. COMFORT STATION
- 15 PIMA HALL FACILITY (RENOVATED)
- 16 NEW CANTINA W/ OUTDOOR PLAZA
- 17 GREAT LAWN / VENDOR SPACES / FUTURE EXHIBITION HALL
- 18 OLD PUEBLO HALL W/ NEW ENTRY
- 19 NEW ENTRY BUILDING W/ OFFICES
- 20 PARKING
- 21 FUTURE PARKING EXPANSION
- 22 BEER GARDEN (RENOVATED)
- 23 FAIR STAGE (RENOVATED OR REPLACED)
- 24 THURBER HALL FACILITY (RENOVATED)
- 25 RENOVATED CANTINA
- 26 NOT USED
- 27 CARNIVAL R.V. / FUTURE MIDWAY EXPANSION / EVENT PARKING
- 28 CARNIVAL MIDWAY / EVENT PARKING

- 29 MULTIPURPOSE TRACK
- 30 NEW EVENT GRANDSTAND
- 31 RODEO ARENA
- 32 NEW GRAND STAGE
- 33 R.V. PARK
- 34 CACTUS HABITAT
- 35 GRANDSTAND / R.P. HANDICAP PARKING
- 36 NEW ENTRY / EXIT
- 37 EXISTING ENTRY / EXIT (SERVICE / R.V. ENTRY)
- 38 DRAG RACE FACILITY
- 39 SADDLE PADDOCK
- 40 SECURITY / FIRST AID / RESTROOMS
- 41 ENTRY ELEMENT
- 42 STAGE
- 43 RACE TRACK EQUIPMENT STORAGE
- 44 PORTABLE PENS
- 45 INFIELD / SEASONAL PARKING
- 46 25,000 GALLON WATER TANK
- 47 FUTURE UNDERGROUND SEWAGE STORAGE TANKS
- 48 VIEWING GRANDSTAND / RESTROOM / CONCESSION
- 49 SHOW OFFICE
- 50 RACE BARN PARKING

Option #2

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A CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN



Venues

New Grandstand (Option 2 Master Plan)

Currently there is not a permanent grandstand seating venue at the fairgrounds. The new grandstand will serve as the primary viewing venue for the race track and provide elevated partially covered seating for large outdoor concerts and events. To accommodate the track it is located along the south side of the fairgrounds in a central area with new parking and service access. An outdoor stage is located across the track from the grandstand for concerts with space for a rodeo between the stage and grandstand. The rodeo space may be utilized as floor access seating when hosting a concert on the stage. The grandstand offers restrooms and concessions for event spectators. Seating is configured to offer chair and bleacher options totalling 7,000. Including the zone between the grandstand and stage, the facility may accommodate up to 12,000.

The grandstand aesthetic is modern with hints of southwestern influence that ties with the new fairgrounds entry, future event arena, and entry renovations at Pima and Pueblo halls.

The grandstand is a new venue type for the fairgrounds and will provide a substantial new seating option for outdoor concerts and festivals while creating the opportunity for many new events. In addition to seating it will provide much needed permanent restrooms and concessions.

Grandstand Program (sf)

- Concourse: 26,000
- Maintenance: 700
- Women's Toilets: 6,200
- Men's Toilets: 4,800
- Office / Ticketing: 1,300
- Concessions: 7,400
- Storage: 8,400
- Seating: 56,000

Total: 114,000

Seating:

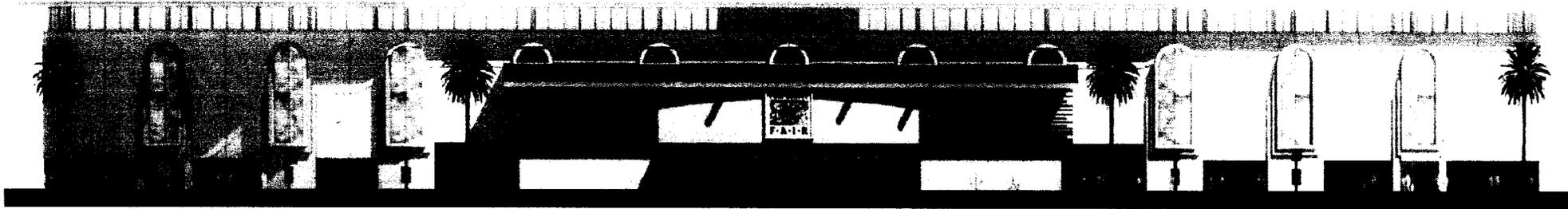
- Bleachers: 5,700
- Chair Back: 1,300

Total: 7,000

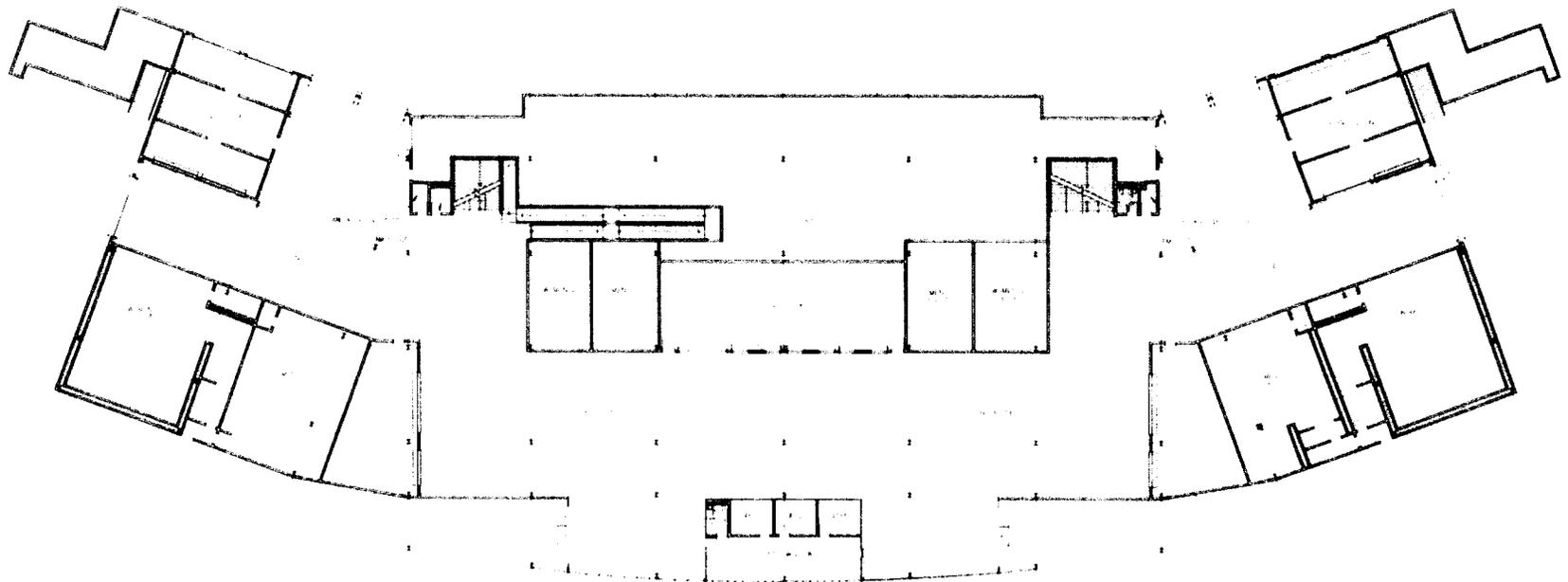
Including Floor: 12,000



Grandstand – Conceptual Elevation



Grandstand – Conceptual Elevation

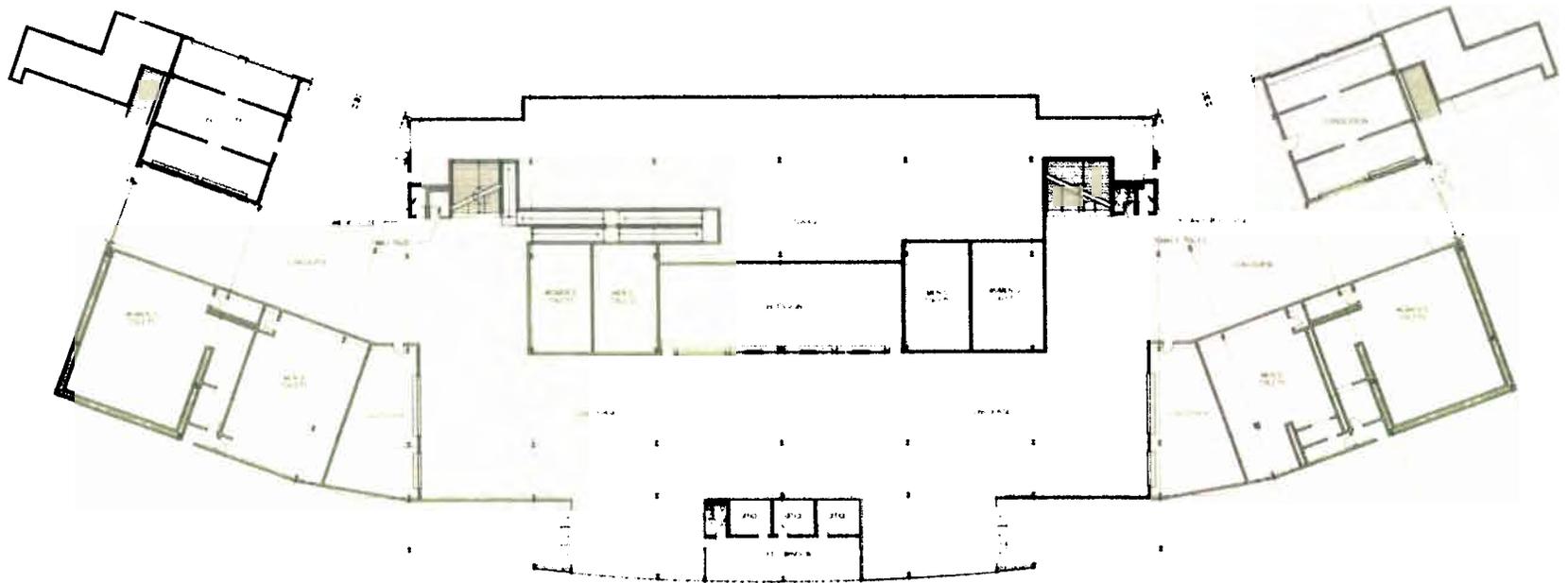


Grandstand – Conceptual Concourse Plan

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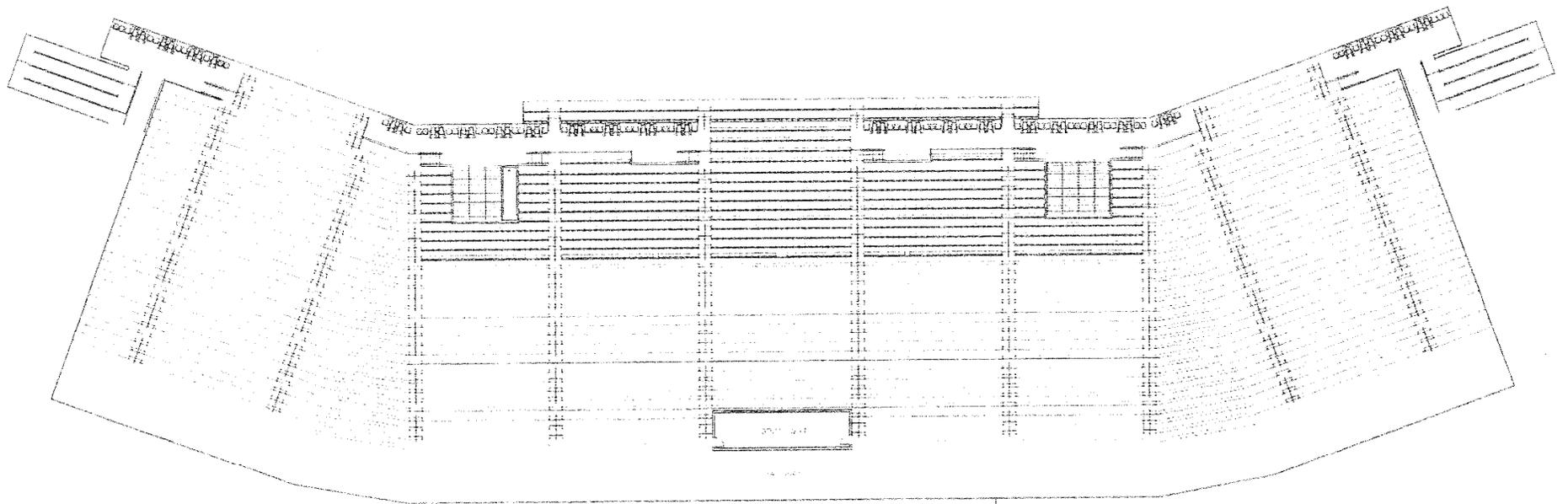


Grandstand – Conceptual Elevation



Grandstand – Conceptual Concourse Plan

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Grandstand – Conceptual Seating Plan

Pima County Order of Magnitude Cost Worksheet

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Master Plan Option #1

Element	Area	SF/LF	Low	High	Average	Direct Const. Total Average	20% soft costs	2011 Total	Incl. 12% esc. to Nov, 2014
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Phase One

Existing SE RV lot, 180 RVs, Pavilion	180 SF	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,600	\$ 578,592	\$ 115,718	\$ 694,310	\$ 777,628	pavilion 1152sf @96=110,592
							\$ 694,310	\$ 777,628	

Phase Two

Cantina Renovation	\$125,000						\$ 125,000	\$ 140,000	
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Phase Three

Renovate Existing Stage	4,000 SF	\$ 16.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 80,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 96,000	\$ 107,520	
Renovate Beer Garden	12,000 SF	\$ 4.25	\$ 6.40	\$ 5.33	\$ 63,900	\$ 12,780	\$ 76,680	\$ 85,882	
							\$ 172,680	\$ 193,402	

Phase Four

New NE entry at Brekke Road	36,000 SF	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.86	\$ 0.67	\$ 64,120	\$ 12,824	\$ 76,944	\$ 86,177	gravel/\$20,000 gate/sign, \$20,000 ditch crossing
Existing N entry at Brekke improvement	20,000 SF	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.40	\$ 2.20	\$ 104,000	\$ 20,800	\$ 124,800	\$ 139,776	asphalt + \$30,000 gate/sign, \$30,000 ditch crossing
NE car lot and 36 RVs	140,000 SF	\$ 1.30	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.65	\$ 288,600	\$ 57,720	\$ 346,320	\$ 387,878	asphalt + 36RV@1600=57,600
NE trailer lot, 20 RVs, RV pavilion	249,000 SF	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.86	\$ 0.67	\$ 309,422	\$ 61,884	\$ 371,306	\$ 415,863	20 RV @ 1600=32,000/pavilion 110,592
NW trailer lot, 16 RVs	94,000 SF	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.86	\$ 0.67	\$ 88,580	\$ 17,716	\$ 106,296	\$ 119,052	16 RV @ \$1600=25,600
New lot 21	407,000 SF	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.68	\$ 0.57	\$ 229,955	\$ 45,991	\$ 275,946	\$ 309,060	gravel
New SW RV lot 30, 36 RVs	468,000 SF	\$ 0.85	\$ 1.11	\$ 0.98	\$ 458,640	\$ 91,728	\$ 550,368	\$ 616,412	gravel
E Premium RV (30) and pavilion	30 unit	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,500	\$ 245,592	\$ 49,118	\$ 294,710	\$ 330,076	pavilion 1152sf @96
New N electrical feed from Harrison Rd	2,000 LF	\$ 15.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 16.50	\$ 33,000	\$ 6,600	\$ 39,600	\$ 44,352	NIC conductor/transformer
New S electrical feed from Harrison Rd	2,500 LF	\$ 15.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 16.50	\$ 41,250	\$ 8,250	\$ 49,500	\$ 55,440	NIC conductor/transformer
Tank & Pump sewerage option (2-40,000gal)	2 unit	\$ 61,500	\$ 68,000	\$ 64,750	\$ 129,500	\$ 25,900	\$ 155,400	\$ 174,048	
Water main from PMP well & 250K gal tank	1 unit	\$ 196,900	\$ 216,500	\$ 206,700	\$ 206,700	\$ 41,340	\$ 248,040	\$ 277,805	
							\$ 2,639,231	\$ 2,955,938	

Phase Five

Renovate Pima Hall	49,000 SF	\$ 64.00	\$ 76.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 3,430,000	\$ 686,000	\$ 4,116,000	\$ 4,609,920	
New Cantina	8,500 SF	\$ 140.00	\$ 168.00	\$ 154.00	\$ 1,509,000	\$ 301,800	\$ 1,810,800	\$ 2,028,096	\$200,000 courtyard allowance
							\$ 5,926,800	\$ 6,638,016	

Phase Six

New Main Entry/Admin	10,080 SF	\$ 106.00	\$ 123.00	\$ 114.50	\$ 1,354,160	\$ 270,832	\$ 1,624,992	\$ 1,819,991	
Landscaping (core area)	144,000 SF	\$ 0.85	\$ 1.10	\$ 0.98	\$ 140,400	\$ 28,080	\$ 168,480	\$ 188,698	
New East Decorative Fence	2,400 LF	\$ 38.00	\$ 46.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 100,800	\$ 20,160	\$ 120,960	\$ 135,475	aluminum decorative picket fence 8' tall
Demolish Existing Admin/Security Bldgs	3,400 SF	\$ 2.50	\$ 4.00	\$ 3.25	\$ 11,050	\$ 2,210	\$ 13,260	\$ 14,851	
Fire hydrant loop	7,200 LF	\$ 18.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 21.00	\$ 151,200	\$ 30,240	\$ 181,440	\$ 203,213	
							\$ 2,109,132	\$ 2,362,228	

Phase Seven

New Outdoor Concert Venue	7,200 SF	\$ 120.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 130.00	\$ 1,136,000	\$ 227,200	\$ 1,363,200	\$ 1,526,784	+ site allowance \$200k
South Drainage Improvements	171,075 CY	\$ 3.20	\$ 4.00	\$ 3.60	\$ 685,870	\$ 137,174	\$ 823,044	\$ 921,809	open chan/det basin/1 road cross \$40k/2 ped cross \$:
							\$ 2,186,244	\$ 2,448,593	

Phase Eight

New Indoor Arena	106,470 SF	\$ 78.00	\$ 96.00	\$ 87.00	\$ 9,262,890	\$ 1,852,578	\$ 11,115,468	\$ 12,449,324	
Renovate Existing Livestock Arena/Stalls	106,400 SF	\$ 6.40	\$ 11.00	\$ 8.70	\$ 925,680	\$ 185,136	\$ 1,110,816	\$ 1,244,114	
New Livestock Arena stalls (121)	121 unit	\$ 850.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,025.00	\$ 124,025	\$ -	\$ 124,025	\$ 138,908	
Relocate Existing Ramada	55,460 SF	\$ 9.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 11.50	\$ 637,790	\$ 127,558	\$ 765,348	\$ 857,190	
New Ramada Stalls (120)	120 unit	\$ 850.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,025.00	\$ 123,000	\$ -	\$ 123,000	\$ 137,760	
Renovate Barns ABC	72,000 SF	\$ 9.00	\$ 16.50	\$ 12.75	\$ 918,000	\$ 183,600	\$ 1,101,600	\$ 1,233,792	
New Stalls Barns ABC (188)	188 unit	\$ 850.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,025.00	\$ 192,700	\$ -	\$ 192,700	\$ 215,824	
							\$ 14,532,957	\$ 16,276,912	

Additional Projects Identified in Master Plan Option #1

Renovate Old Pueblo Hall	61,000	SF	\$ 6.40	\$ 11.00	\$ 8.70	\$ 530,700	\$ 106,140	\$ 636,840	\$ 713,261	
Renovate Thurber Hall	30,200	SF	\$ 6.40	\$ 11.00	\$ 8.70	\$ 262,740	\$ 52,548	\$ 315,288	\$ 353,123	
New North Covered Arena (120x240)	28,800	SF	\$ 26.00	\$ 38.00	\$ 37.00	\$ 921,600	\$ 184,320	\$ 1,105,920	\$ 1,238,630	
Renovate Outdoor Arenas Show Office	1,200	SF	\$ 18.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 22.00	\$ 26,400	\$ 5,280	\$ 31,680	\$ 35,482	new roof paint, int. finishes, landscape
New Outdoor Arenas Grandstand/Toilets	8,000	SF	\$ 48.00	\$ 62.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 440,000	\$ 88,000	\$ 528,000	\$ 591,360	
Renovate Outdoor Arenas	1	unit	\$ 222,080	\$ 279,470	\$ 250,775	\$ 250,775	\$ 50,155	\$ 300,930	\$ 337,042	180,000sf new footing/7,130lf new rail
Light Outdoor Arenas 1-3	10	unit	\$ 8,500	\$ 9,000	\$ 8,750	\$ 87,500	\$ 17,500	\$ 105,000	\$ 117,600	4 corner light poles per arena/6 shared at ring 1-2
W Premium RV (30)	30	unit	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,500	\$ 135,000	\$ 27,000	\$ 162,000	\$ 181,440	
W Overflow lot (west of Harrison)	277,000	SF	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.36	\$ 99,720	\$ 19,944	\$ 119,664	\$ 134,024	gravel
New N overflow lot	734,000	SF	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.36	\$ 264,240	\$ 52,848	\$ 317,088	\$ 355,139	gravel
New E overflow lot	715,000	SF	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.36	\$ 257,400	\$ 51,480	\$ 308,880	\$ 345,946	gravel
New S overflow lot	342,000	SF	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.36	\$ 123,120	\$ 24,624	\$ 147,744	\$ 165,473	gravel

TOTAL OPTION #1 MASTER PLAN COMPONENTS \$ 26,538,588

Master Plan Option #2

New Race/Multi-Use Grandstand	114,000	SF	\$ 106.00	\$ 118.00	\$ 112.00	\$ 12,768,000	\$ 2,553,600	\$ 15,321,600	\$ 17,160,192	
New Racecourse/Tote/Stage/Fencing/Parking	1	unit	\$ 1,950,000	\$ 2,100,000	\$ 2,025,000	\$ 2,025,000	\$ 405,000	\$ 2,430,000	\$ 2,721,600	allowance
New Race Barns (incl. site)	70,000	SF	\$ 34	\$ 48	\$ 41	\$ 2,870,000	\$ 574,000	\$ 3,444,000	\$ 3,857,280	allowance
TOTAL RACECOURSE OPTION							\$ 21,195,600	\$ 23,739,072		

Required for operational track \$ 26,314,488

Attachment G
Multi-Use Grandstand Development at Fairgrounds
Project Sheet

Department: Natural Resources Parks and Recreation
Date: August 2013

2014 Bond Election Proposed Projects Template

Project Name: Multi-Use Grandstand Development at the Fairgrounds

Location: 11300 S. Houghton Road

Scope: The program may provide a new multi-use grandstand seating venue with elevated seating and partial shade plus ancillary restroom/concessions/support spaces, new racecourse/stage/fencing for multi-use events, new parking, stables, RV parking, landscaping, drainage and upgrades to utilities.

Benefits: This project presents an opportunity to provide a substantial new seating option for outdoor concerts, racing and festivals, while creating the opportunity for many new events. This will provide the ability to operate an outdoor multi-use facility year round which is necessary for the venue to be economically viable. This will serve all of Pima County, and matches the current operations and business plan of the fairgrounds today.

Costs: \$27,000,000

Bond Funding: \$27,000,000

Other Funding: None identified at this time.

Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:

Project Management Jurisdiction: Pima County Natural Resources Parks & Recreation

Future Operating and Maintenance Costs: To be operated and maintained by Operator at no cost to the County.

Regional Benefits: This project will provide a venue for exterior seating events at an existing regional site.

Supervisor District of Project Location: 4

Attachment H
River Park Acquisitions Staff Report
and Updated Project Sheet



MEMORANDUM

Public Works – Project Management Office

DATE: July 17, 2013

TO: Nanette Slusser
Assistant County Administrator
for Public Works Policy

FROM: Nancy Cole, Manager
Project Management Office

RE: RiverPark Acquisitions and Development Countywide Project Re-justification

The Bond Advisory Committee is currently reviewing extensive modifications to the proposed future bond election project list. As a part of this review, staff has prepared the attached substantial re-justification of the RiverPark Acquisitions and Development Countywide Bond project, originally included in the approved bond package.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Attachments:

1. River Park Initiative Project List, with priority project selection

Cc: Suzanne Shields, Director, RFCD
Andy Dinauer, RFCD
John Spiker, RFCD
Rafael Payan, Director, NRPR
Steve Anderson, Principal Planner, NRPR

Mr. Huckelberry's memo dated February 12, 2013 included a request for several existing approved future bond projects to be substantially re-justified as new development or information may require additional review. For the Riverpark Acquisitions and Development Countywide project (PR-278) the following end notes were provided:

19. The County has undertaken a very comprehensive analysis of the entire river park system, including gaps in the completion and development of the system. Funding for such river park improvements should be programmed specifically in accordance with the plan now developed by the County for park improvements throughout the river park system. This project requires substantial re-justification.

On November 6, 2012 the River Park Initiative Report was provided to the Pima County Board of Supervisors. This 126 page document includes review of the Riverpark standards, current compliance of the Loop System with those standards, and costs to bring the entire system to the premium standard. This document reviewed the entire Loop, and suggested up to 84 improvement projects that total over \$89M. It is clear that the proposed \$20M bond project would not meet the entire proposed need for the Loop Riverpark. Please review the full report on the Loop website, <http://webcms.pima.gov/cms/one.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=35827> for additional background and justification.

The following recommendation provides the suggested priority order of projects that are near the \$20M proposed Riverpark program. These are provided with priorities, and are intended to be delivered in priority order until the bond funding is expended. If additional grant or external funding is found for individual projects, then we will continue to work on additional prioritized projects beyond the initial expectations. Please see the attached table for a listing of the entire 84 projects outlined in the River Park Initiative memo.

Reach/Project (Upstream to Downstream)	River Park	Map	BOS District	Project Cost - per Memo	Prioritized projects	Priority Rank
Rillito River Bridge replacements	R		1,3,4	*	\$1,175,000	1
Rillito River Underpass widening project	R		1,3,4	*	\$2,000,000	2
SCR underpass program: Speedway, St Mary's, Congress & Ina	SCR		1,3,5	*	\$2,250,000	3
Camino del Cerro to Ina (Future El Corazon River Park) (east bank)	SCR	S12	1	\$4,050,000	\$4,050,000	4
SCR Pavement Improvement Program:	SCR		1,3,5	*	\$2,000,000	5
Broadway to 5th Street Wash (west bank)	P	P7	4	\$895,000	\$895,000	6
5th Street Wash to Speedway (west bank)	P	P8	4	\$449,000	\$449,000	7
Kenyon to Broadway (west bank)	P	P6	2	\$230,000	\$230,000	8
Magee to Ina (south bank)	CDO	C7	1	\$1,180,500	\$1,180,500	9
Dodge to Country Club (south bank)	R	R5	3	\$1,915,000	\$1,915,000	10

N. boundary Continental Ranch to Avra Valley Road (west bank)	SCR	S15	3	\$444,000	\$444,000	11
Country Club to KERP Outlet	J / TDC	J7	2	\$740,000	\$740,000	12
KERP Outlet to Campbell (west bank)	J / TDC	J8	2	\$1,110,000	\$1,110,000	13
Twin Peaks to Avra Valley Road (east bank)	SCR	S15	3	\$1,987,500	\$1,987,500	14
Avra Valley Road to Tangerine (east bank)	SCR	S16	3	\$3,003,000		15
Drexel to Irvington (east bank)	SCR	S2	5	\$4,150,000		16
Tanque Verde to Craycroft (south/west bank)	P	P10	4	\$5,710,000		17
Harrison Connection: Valencia to Irvington	P	P1.5	2,4	\$1,300,000		18
River Park Enhancement Overall Total				\$27,164,000	\$20,426,000	

**Costs for programs taken for components as listed in report but not tied to a single Map or Project.*

ATTACHMENTS

Urban Loop Project Status

Reach/Project (Upstream to Downstream)	Map_No	Total Miles (built)	BOS District	Jurisdiction	Project Cost - per RP Enhance	Prioritized projects	Priority Rank	Comments
Harrison to Sellarole (north/east bank)	P2	0.67	4	COT	\$0			
Harrison to Sellarole (south/ west bank)	P2	-	2	COT	\$0			
Sellarole Road to Golf Links (east bank)(south half)	P3	0.61	4	COT				
Sellarole Road to Golf Links (west bank)(south half)	P3	-	4	COT	\$549,500			
Sellarole Road to Golf Links (east bank)(north half)	P3	1.44	4	COT	\$0			
Sellarole Road to Golf Links (west bank)(north half)	P3	0.56	4	COT	\$0			
Golf Links to 22nd Street (east bank)	P4	2.52	4	COT	\$0			
Golf Links to 22nd Street (west bank)	P4	-	4	COT	\$7,645,000			
22nd Street to Kenyon (east bank)	P5	1.15	2	COT	\$0			
22nd Street to Kenyon (west bank)	P5	-	2	COT	\$2,140,000			
Kenyon to Broadway (east bank)	P6	-	2	COT	\$1,856,000			
Kenyon to Broadway (west bank)	P6	0.15	2	COT	\$230,000	\$230,000	8	
Broadway Underpasses (both banks)	P6	-	2,4	COT				*underpass costs included in P7
Broadway to 5th Street Wash (east bank)	P7	0.86	4	COT	\$0			
Broadway to 5th Street Wash (west bank)	P7	-	4	COT	\$895,000	\$895,000	6	
5th Street Wash to Speedway (east bank)	P8	0.22	4	COT	\$0			
5th Street Wash to Speedway (west bank)	P8	0.33	4	COT	\$449,000	\$449,000	7	
Speedway to Tanque Verde (east bank)	P9	1.26	4	COT	\$0			
Speedway to Tanque Verde (west bank)	P9	1.27	4	COT	\$0			
Tanque Verde to Confluence (east/north bank)	P10	0.20	4	PC	\$4,950,000			
Tanque Verde to Craycroft (south/west bank)	P10	0.21	4	COT	\$5,710,000		17	*Could support future RFCD project
Pantano Total		17.22			\$26,574,500	\$1,574,000		
Julian Wash/Tucson Diversion Channel								
Rita Road to Kolb Road - (north bank)	J1	5.95	4	PC, COT	\$162,000			
Kolb to Wilmot (south bank)	J2	1.35	4	COT	\$290,000			
Wilmot Road to Valencia @ Thomas Jay Park (south bank)	J3	2.09	2	COT	\$69,000			
Valencia to Interstate 10/ Drexel	J4	-	2	COT	\$0			
Interstate 10/Drexel to Palo Verde Road (south bank)	J5	-	2	PC, COT	\$125,000			
Palo Verde Road to Country Club	J6	-	2	PC	\$0			
Country Club to KERF Outlet	J7	-	2	COT	\$740,000	\$740,000	12	
KERF Outlet to Campbell (west bank)	J8	0.61	2	COT	\$1,110,000	\$1,110,000	13	
Campbell to Park/Ajo (north bank)	J9	0.80	2	COT	\$810,000			
Park/Ajo to UPRR	J10	0.40	2	COT	\$500,000			
UPRR to 44th Street (along east and north side of VA Hospital)	J11	0.62	2	COT				
44th Street to 10th Avenue (north bank)	J11	1.01	2	COT				
44th Street to 10th Avenue (south bank)	J11	0.31	2	COT				
10th Avenue to 12th Avenue (north bank)	J11	0.18	2	ST, COT				
10th Avenue to 12th Avenue (south bank)	J11	0.15	2	ST, COT	\$460,000			*all J11 projects included in cost
12th Avenue to end Heritage Park Loop (north bank)	J12	0.13	5	COT	\$175,000			*all J12 projects included in cost
12th Avenue to end Heritage Park Loop (south bank)	J12	0.15	5	COT				
End Heritage Park Loop to Santa Cruz confluence (north bank)	J12	-	5	COT	\$0			
End Heritage Park Loop to Santa Cruz confluence (south bank)	J12	-	5	COT	\$0			
Julian Wash/Tucson Diversion Channel Total		13.75			\$4,441,000	\$1,850,000		
Cañada del Oro Wash								
Tangerine Road to Oracle Road (west bank)	C1	-	1	OV	\$160,000			
Tangerine Road to Oracle Road (east bank)	C1	1.54	1	OV	\$0			
Oracle Road to First Avenue (north/ west bank)	C2	-	1	OV	\$104,500			
Oracle Road to First Avenue (south/ east bank)	C2	0.81	1	OV	\$0			
First Avenue to Pusch View Lane (north bank)	C3	-	1	OV	\$0			
First Avenue to Pusch View Lane (south bank)	C3	0.67	1	OV	\$0			
Pusch View Lane to La Canada (north bank)	C4	-	1	PC, OV	\$0			
Pusch View Lane to La Canada (south bank)	C4	2.49	1	PC, OV	\$0			
La Canada to La Cholla (north bank)	C5	-	1	PC	\$768,000			
La Canada to La Cholla (south bank)	C5	-	1	PC	\$2,170,000			
La Cholla to Magee (south bank)	C6	1.50	1	PC	\$0			
Magee to Ina (north bank)	C7	-	1	PC	\$0			
Magee to Ina (south bank)	C7	1.64	1	PC	\$1,180,500	\$1,180,500	9	
Ina to Thornydale (north/ west bank)	C8	-	1	M				
Ina to Thornydale (south/ east bank)	C8	0.86	1	M				
Thornydale to I-10 (north bank)	C8	-	1	M	\$2,520,000			
Thornydale to I-10 (south bank)	C8	-	1	M	\$1,827,500			
Cañada del Oro Total		9.51			\$8,730,500	\$1,180,500		
Tanque Verde Wash								
Pantano Road to Sabino Canyon Road - (north bank)	T1		1	PC	\$0			
Sabino Canyon Road to Craycroft Rd- (north bank)	T2		1	PC, COT	\$0			
Tanque Verde Wash Total		-			\$0	\$0		
River Park Enhancement Overall Total		122.52			\$89,894,512	\$20,426,000		

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Reach/Project (Upstream to Downstream)	Map_No	Total Miles (built)	BOS District	Jurisdiction	Project Cost - per RP Enhance	Prioritized projects	Priority Rank	Comments
Santa Cruz River								
Valencia to Drexel (west bank)	S1		5	COT	\$1,062,500			
Valencia to Drexel (east bank)	S1		5	COT	\$1,171,250			
Drexel to Irvington (west bank)	S2	2.17	5	COT	\$371,000			
Drexel to Irvington (east bank)	S2	1.95	5	COT	\$4,150,000		16	*would resolve severe bank issues
Irvington to Ajo Way (west bank)	S3	1.17	5	COT	\$390,000			
Irvington to Ajo Way (east bank)	S3	1.61	5	COT	\$715,000			
Ajo Way to 29th Street (west bank)(Paseo project)	S4	-	5	COT	\$425,000			
Ajo Way to 29th Street (east bank)(Paseo project)	S4	-	5	COT	\$1,122,500			
29th Street to 22nd Street (east bank)	S5	1.15	5	COT	\$513,000			
29th Street to 22nd Street (west bank)	S5	1.15	5	COT	\$260,000			
22nd Street to Congress (east bank)	S6	2.00	5	COT	\$518,000			
22nd Street to Congress (west bank)	S6	2.03	5	COT	\$580,750			
Congress to St. Mary's (east bank)	S7	0.67	5	COT	\$525,000			
Congress to St. Mary's (west bank)	S7	0.75	5	COT	\$900,000			
St. Mary's to Speedway (east bank)	S8	0.49	5	COT	\$511,000			
St. Mary's to Speedway (west bank)	S8	0.54	5	COT	\$531,000			
Speedway to Grant (east bank)	S9	1.46	5	COT	\$854,000			
Speedway to Grant (west bank)	S9	2.66	5	COT	\$583,000			
Grant Road to Sweetwater (east bank)	S10	0.14	3	COT	\$1,538,000			
Grant Road to Sweetwater (west bank)	S10	3.36	3	COT	\$650,000			
Sweetwater to Camino del Cerro (east bank)	S11		1	COT	\$461,000			
Sweetwater to Camino del Cerro (west bank)(El Corazón)	S11	1.41	1	COT	\$340,000			
Camino Del Cerro to Ina (Future El Corazón Anza Trail) (west bank)	S12	4.71	1,3	PC/COT/M	\$2,200,000			
Camino del Cerro to Ina (Interceptor alignment/ interim) (east bank)	S12	5.11	1,3	PC/COT/M				
Temp ADOT paths Sunset to CDO Wash	S12	?						
Camino del Cerro to Ina (Future El Corazon River Park) (east bank)	S12	?	1	PC/COT/M	\$4,050,000	\$4,050,000	4	*funding for con of river park (not bank)
Ina to Cortaro (west bank)	S13	2.67	1	M	\$526,000			
Ina to Cortaro (east bank)	S13	-	1	M	\$4,871,512			
Cortaro to Twin Peaks (west bank)	S14	2.70	1,3	M	\$544,000			
Cortaro to Twin Peaks (east bank)	S14	2.00	1,3	M	\$1,069,000			
Twin Peaks to N. boundary Continental Ranch (west bank)	S15	1.74	3	M				
N. boundary Continental Ranch to Avra Valley Road (west bank)	S15	-	3	M	\$444,000	\$444,000	11	
Twin Peaks to Avra Valley Road (east bank)	S15	0.22	3	M	\$1,987,500	\$1,987,500	14	
Avra Valley Road to Tangerine (west bank)	S16	-	3	M				
Avra Valley Road to Tangerine (east bank)	S16	-	3	M	\$3,003,000		15	
Tangerine to Sanders Road (west bank)	S17	-	3	M				
Tangerine to Sanders Road (east bank)	S17	1.85	3	M	\$837,000			
SCR underpass program: Speedway, St Mary's, Congress & Ina			1,3,5	COT, M		\$2,250,000	3	
SCR Pavement Improvement Program:			1,3,5	COT, M		\$2,000,000	5	
Santa Cruz River Total		45.71			\$37,704,012	\$10,731,500		
Rillito River								
Craycroft to Swan (north bank)	R1	2.10	1	PC, COT	\$363,000			
Craycroft to Swan - (south bank)	R1	1.93	4	PC, COT	\$133,000			
Swan to Columbus (north bank)	R2	1.16	1	COT	\$665,000			
Swan to Columbus (south bank)	R2	1.15	3	COT	\$365,000			
Columbus to Alvernon (north bank)	R3	0.91	1	COT	\$200,000			
Columbus to Alvernon (south bank)	R3	1.62	3	COT	\$38,000			
Alvernon to Dodge (north bank)	R4	0.43	1	PC, COT	\$397,500			
Alvernon to Dodge - (south bank)	R4	0.31	3	PC, COT	\$0			
Dodge to Country Club (north bank)	R5	2.76	1	PC, COT	\$350,000			
Dodge to Country Club (south bank)	R5	0.64	3	PC, COT	\$1,915,000	\$1,915,000	10	
Country Club to Hacienda del Sol - (north bank)	R6	0.46	1	PC, COT	\$0			
Country Club to Hacienda del Sol (south bank)	R6	0.68	3	PC, COT	\$145,000			
Hacienda del Sol to Campbell (north bank)	R7	1.22	1	COT	\$225,000			
Hacienda del Sol to Campbell (south bank)	R7	1.69	3	COT	\$167,000			
Campbell to Mountain (north bank)	R8	0.63	3	COT	\$290,000			
Campbell to Mountain - (south bank)	R8	0.94	3	COT	\$0			
Mountain to First Avenue (north bank)	R9	0.89	3	COT	\$665,000			
Mountain to First Avenue (south bank)	R9	1.16	3	COT	\$0			
First Avenue to Stone (north bank)	R10	0.62	3	COT	\$1,105,000			
First Avenue to Stone (south bank)	R10	0.55	3	COT	\$285,000			
Stone to Oracle (north bank)	R11	0.63	3	COT	\$525,000			
Tucson Mall; Stone to Oracle (south bank)	R11	0.20	3	COT	\$286,000			
Oracle to La Canada (north bank)	R12	1.12	3	COT	\$1,195,000			
Oracle Road to La Canada (south bank)	R12	1.18	3	COT	\$500,000			
La Canada to La Cholla (north bank)	R13	2.95	1	PC, COT	\$1,360,000			
La Canada to La Cholla (south bank)	R13	2.08	3	PC, COT	\$490,000			
La Cholla to I-10 - (north bank)	R14	3.68	1	PC, COT, M	\$225,000			
La Cholla to I-10 (south bank)	R14	2.64	3	PC, COT, M	\$555,000			
Rillito River Bridge replacements			1,3,4	PC, COT, M		\$1,175,000	1	
Rillito River Underpass widening project			1,3,4	PC, COT, M		\$2,000,000	2	
Rillito Total		36.33			\$12,444,500	\$5,090,000		
Pantano Wash								
Harrison Connection: Julian to Valencia	P1	2.72	4	COT	\$850,000			
Harrison Connection: Valencia to Irvington	P1.5	3.05	2,4	COT	\$1,300,000		18	*could replace general fund \$\$.
Harrison Connection: Irvington to Sellarole to Pantano (interim)	P2		2,4	COT	\$0			

Urban Loop Project Status

Reach/Project (Upstream to Downstream)	Map_No	Total Miles (built)	BOS District	Jurisdiction	Project Cost - per RP Enhance	Prioritized projects	Priority Rank	Comments
Review of program priorities by District and Jurisdiction								<i>*note, projects overlap both district and jurisdiction and may be counted twice</i>
District 1						\$12,655,500		
District 2						\$2,080,000		
District 3						\$9,856,500		
District 4						\$4,519,000		
District 5						\$4,250,000		
PC						\$10,320,500		
COT						\$16,814,000		
M						\$13,906,500		
OV						\$0		
ST								
<u>Additional Program information:</u> 1. SCR Underpass program includes: Speedway, St. Mary's, Congress and Ina 2. Rillito Underpass program includes: 1 st Avenue, La Canada, Swan Road, and Alvernon 3. Rillito Bridge replacements includes: Roller Coaster, Friendly Village Wash, Racetrack Wash, Via Entrada Wash 4. SCR Pavement Replacement includes: Widening/repaving of Grant Road to 29th Street both banks								

Department: Natural Resources Parks & Recreation

Revised: July 2013

Future Bond Election Proposed Project

Project Name: River Park Acquisition and Development Countywide

PR 278

Location: Santa Cruz, Rillito, Pantano, Canada del Oro, Tanque Verde, Julian Wash River Park Corridors

Scope: On November 6, 2012 the River Park Initiative Report was provided to the Pima County Board of Supervisors.

[http://webcms.pima.gov/UserFiles/Servers/Server_6/File/Government/The%20Loop/110612_River Park Initiative Report.pdf](http://webcms.pima.gov/UserFiles/Servers/Server_6/File/Government/The%20Loop/110612_River_Park_Initiative_Report.pdf)

This 126 page document provided an exhaustive review of the Riverpark standards, current compliance of the Loop System with those standards, and costs to bring the entire system to the premium standard. This document reviewed the entire Loop, and suggested up to 84 improvement projects that total over \$89M. The following recommendation provides the suggested priority order of projects. The first 14 prioritized projects total approximately the \$20M proposed for the Riverpark program. Projects are prioritized, and intended to be delivered in priority order until the bond funding is expended. If additional grant or external funding is found for individual projects, then additional prioritized projects beyond the initial expectations will be included.

<u>Reach/Project</u>	<u>River Park</u>	<u>Map</u>	<u>BOS District</u>	<u>Project Cost</u>	<u>Priority Rank</u>
Rillito River Bridge replacements	R		1,3,4	\$ 1,175,000	1
Rillito River Underpass widening project	R		1,3,4	\$ 2,000,000	2
SCR underpass program: Speedway, St Mary's, Congress & Ina Camino del Cerro to Ina	SCR		1,3,5	\$ 2,250,000	3
(Future El Corazon River Park) (east bank)	SCR	S12	1	\$ 4,050,000	4
SCR Pavement Improvement Program:	SCR		1,3,5	\$ 2,000,000	5
Broadway to 5th Street Wash (west bank)	P	P7	4	\$ 895,000	6
5th Street Wash to Speedway (west bank)	P	P8	4	\$ 449,000	7
Kenyon to Broadway (west bank)	P	P6	2	\$ 230,000	8
Magee to Ina (south bank)	CDO	C7	1	\$ 1,180,500	9
Dodge to Country Club (south bank)	R	R5	3	\$ 1,915,000	10
N. boundary Continental Ranch to Avra Valley Road (west bank)	SCR	S15	3	\$ 444,000	11
Country Club to KERP Outlet	J/ TDC	J7	2	\$ 740,000	12
KERP Outlet to Campbell (west bank)	J/ TDC	J8	2	\$ 1,110,000	13
Twin Peaks to Avra Valley Road (east bank)	SCR	S15	3	\$ 1,987,500	14
Avra Valley Road to Tangerine (east bank)	SCR	S16	3	\$ 3,003,000	15
Drexel to Irvington (east bank)	SCR	S2	5	\$ 4,150,000	16
Tanque Verde to Craycroft (south/west bank)	P	P10	4	\$ 5,710,000	17
Harrison Connection: Valencia to Irvington	P	P1.5	2,4	\$ 1,300,000	18
River Park Enhancement Overall Total				\$34,589,000	

Benefits: The intent of this project is to bring all segments of the river park to current standards and assuring connectivity with employment centers, parks, schools, neighborhoods, open space preserves, shopping areas and more located along these main wash corridors. This project shall make it possible to utilize the linear park system for a broad range of recreational uses while providing alternate modes of transportation.

Costs: \$20,000,000

Bond Funding: \$20,000,000

Other Funding: Potential of receiving grants as a supplement to bond funding.

Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date: TBD

Project Management Jurisdiction: Pima County

Future Operating and Maintenance Costs: TBD

Regional Benefits: This project shall make it possible to utilize the linear park system for a broad range of recreational, wellness, and tourism-related activities while providing alternate modes of transportation on a regional basis. For every dollar spent on the Loop, the community receives a 9.4 return on investment.

Supervisor District of Project Location: All BOS Districts

For Internal Use only:

Specific County Administrator Contemporary Issue being addressed with expenditure:

Department: Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation

Attachment I
2013 Bond Survey Open-Ended Comments

2013 Pima County Bond Preference Survey – Open ended comments – Project and Category counts

Historic, Cultural and Natural Area Conservation				
Total	Positive	Negative	Survey rank	
12	12	0	1	Habitat Protection Priorities & Associated Lands
179	163	16	2	Community Open Space
17	16	1	3	Floodprone and Riparian Land Acquisition
14	13	1	4	Mission San Xavier East Tower Restoration
4	4	0	5	Performing Arts Center Rehabilitation
17	17	0	6	Historic Ft. Lowell Park Master Plan Implementation
2	2	0	7	Archaeological Site Acquisitions: Marana Mounds and/or Cocoraque Butte
2	2	0	8	Repair and Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings on County-Owned Ranches
1	1	0	9	Altar Valley Watershed Restoration Project
8	6	2	10	Site Interpretation/Preservation of County-owned Cultural Resource Sites
1	1	0	11	Dunbar School Rehabilitation
0	0	0	12	Honey Bee Village Site Interpretation and Preservation
0	0	0	13	Vail Area Historic Sites
0	0	0	14	Canoa Ranch Historic Interpretive Center
4	2	2	15	Steam Pump Ranch Rehabilitation
1	1	0	16	Ajo Curley School Gym & Town Plaza

* Note - many may gave vague descriptions of the protecting open space or protecting habitat, but referred to it as open space

Public Health, Flood Control, Neighborhood Reinvestment and Government Facilities				
Total	Positive	Negative	Survey rank	
335	335	0	1	Pima County Animal Care Center Improvements
13	13	0	2	Pedestrian Safety and Walkability Improvements
41	41	0	3	Affordable Housing Program
20	20	0	4	Neighborhood Reinvestment Program
1	1	0	5	Pima County Forensic Science Center Expansion & Remodel
2	0	2	6	Santa Cruz River: Rillito and Canada del Oro Confluence
8	5	3	7	Elections Equipment
2	2	0	8	Theresa Lee Clinic Relocation
2	2	0	9	Marana Health Center Expansion
13	13	0	10	Downtown Legal Services Building Asbestos Abatement & Fire Sprinklers
1	1	0	11	Desert Senita Community Health Center Facility Improvement
0	0	0	12	Lower Santa Cruz Levee Extension
0	0	0	13	40th Street Drainage
0	0	0	14	South 7th Avenue Between West 28th and 20th Streets Drainage
0	0	0	15	Marana Affordable Housing Land Acquisition, Entitlement and Improvement Fund
0	0	0	16	East 32nd 1/2 Street Drainage
0	0	0	17	Green Valley Government Center Parking & Access Improvements
0	0	0	18	Green Valley Courthouse Expansion
0	0	0	19	Marana Neighborhood Reinvestment Housing Stock Retention Fund

* Note - many gave general comments about pedestrian needs

Libraries, Community Facilities and Museums

Total	Positive	Negative	Survey rank	
33	30	3	1	Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum-Exhibits and Facility Expansion
46	40	6	2	Reid Park Zoo Hippo Exhibit
12	10	2	3	Tucson Children's Museum
128	121	7	4	Loft Cinema Renewal and Expansion
58	56	2	5	Tucson Wildlife Center, Inc. - Acquisition and Expansion
24	22	2	6	Pima Air and Space Museum Cold War Hangar and Theater
3	3	0	7	Colossal Cave Mountain Park Improvements
26	24	2	8	Downtown Stravenue/Wilde Way Pedestrian and Art Corridor
20	19	1	9	Sahuarita Food Bank and Multi-Agency Community Service Facility
25	24	1	10	Art of the American West - Tucson Art Museum
17	15	2	11	YMCA Community Center at the UA Science and Tech Park
1	1	0	12	Tumamoc Hill Area Regional Visitors Center
4	4	0	13	Sahuarita Branch Library
7	6	1	14	County Fairgrounds Building & Infrastructure Improvements
2	2	0	15	Flowing Wells Branch Library Expansion
2	2	0	16	West Valencia Branch Library
1	1	0	17	Joyner-Green Valley Library Expansion & Heating/Air conditioning Replacement
0	0	0	18	River Bend Conservation Education Center at Brandi Fenton Memorial Park
14	13	1	19	New Tucson Girl's and Boy's Chorus Building
1	1	0	20	Quincie Douglas Branch Library Expansion
0	0	0	21	El Pueblo Center Improvements
0	0	0	22	Marana Regional Library
3	3	0	23	Southeast Regional Community Branch Library at UA Science and Tech Park
2	2	0	24	Clements Senior Center Expansion
4	4	0	25	Southeast Government/Community Center, Sheriff Substation - And Library
1	1	0	26	Yaqui Park Community Center
0	0	0	27	County Fairgrounds Conference Center and Banquet Hall
1	1	0	28	North Marana Library and Community Center
0	0	0	29	Canoa Ranch New Museum/Orientation Center
1	0	1	30	Pima County Southeast Regional Park (Fairgrounds) - Horse Racing Facility
1	1	0	31	Quincie Douglas Center Expansion
4	4	0	32	Picture Rocks Community Center Expansion
0	0	0	33	County Fairgrounds RV Park and Infrastructure Improvements
0	0	0	34	Marana Regional Performing Arts Center
0	0	0	35	South Marana Multi-Generational Center
0	0	0	36	Southeast Government/Community Center, Sheriff Substation - No Library

Job Growth, Education and Workforce Training

Total	Positive	Negative	Survey rank	
82	81	1	1	Literacy Connects and Job Path Programs Facility
0	0	0	2	Pima County One Stop Career Center
3	3	0	3	Pima County Community College Health Education Campus
0	0	0	4	Freedom Park Adult Learning Center
3	3	0	5	Pima County Small Business Entrepreneur and Academic Center
21	20	1	6	Sonoran Corridor Highway Improvements between I-10 and I-19
3	2	1	7	Pima County Small Business Incubator
0	0	0	8	Science Park Drive - Rita Road to Pantano Road Improvements
1	1	0	9	South 12th Ave Cultural and Culinary Corridor
0	0	0	10	Business Neighborhood Stabilization Program
4	1	3	11	Residential Noise Attenuation Program for DMAFB
0	0	0	12	City of South Tucson Economic Development Land Bank
1	1	0	13	Business Façade/Public Infrastructure Improvement Project
1	1	0	14	Oro Valley Business Accelerator
0	0	0	15	Marana Cultural and Heritage Park - Economic Development
1	0	1	16	Town of Sahuarita Business Center

Parks and Recreation

Total	Positive	Negative	Survey rank	
14	13	1	1	Reid Park Improvements
1	1	0	2	Swimming Pool Renovations
9	8	1	3	Public Natural Park Trailheads
6	6	0	4	Udall Park Expansion
64	64	0	5	River Park Acquisitions and Development Countywide
29	25	4	6	Kino Sports Complex Soccer and Multi-Use Sport Improvements
8	8	0	7	Urban Greenways City of Tucson
6	4	2	8	School District Partnerships
0	0	0	9	City of Tucson Sports Fields and Lighting
0	0	0	10	Sentinel Park - A Mountain Park Improvement Project
21	21	0	11	County-wide Splash Pad Program
126	18	108	12	Rillito Race Track Conversion
5	1	4	13	CAP Trail Program
15	11	4	14	Shooting Sports Program Site Improvements
0	0	0	15	Oro Valley and Linda Vista Trailheads
2	2	0	16	Canada Del Oro River Park Corridor
13	13	0	17	Purple Heart Park Expansion
0	0	0	18	Sahuarita Pool and Recreation Complex /YMCA
6	6	0	19	Adaptive Recreation Center Expansion
1	1	0	20	Pima County Softball Tournament and Recreation Park at Sports Park
31	26	5	21	Model Airplane Parks
1	1	0	22	Flowing Wells Park Skateboard Park and Improvements
0	0	0	23	Jacobs Park Recreation Center
2	2	0	24	Kennedy Park Improvements and Expansion
0	0	0	25	36th Street Natural Resource Park
29	26	3	26	Arizona Velodrome Center - Kino Campus
1	1	0	27	Pima Prickly Park
4	4	0	28	Lincoln Park Improvements
0	0	0	29	Mary Henderson Desert Center - Phase I Trailhead
1	1	0	30	Silverlake Park Expansion
4	4	0	31	Oury Pool Renovations
0	0	0	32	Freedom Center Expansion and Pool Improvements
1	1	0	33	George Mehl Family Foothills Park
0	0	0	34	El Paso Southwestern Greenway Construction
1	1	0	35	Marana Cultural and Heritage Park - Recreational Facilities
0	0	0	36	Flowing Wells District Park Expansion
2	2	0	37	BAJA Seniors Sports Complex
3	3	0	38	Ted Walker Park Sporting Dog Training Site
11	11	0	39	Murrieta Park Improvements
3	3	0	40	Esmond Station Regional Park
0	0	0	41	North Santa Cruz Park - Phase II
1	1	0	42	Quail Creek - Veterans Municipal Park Phase II
5	5	0	43	Kory Laos Freestyle Memorial BMX Park
2	1	1	44	James D. Kriegh Park Upgrades
4	4	0	45	Naranja Park Improvements
0	0	0	46	Benson Highway Park Development & Land Acquisition
1	1	0	47	Lawrence Community Center and Swimming Pool
0	0	0	48	Bureau of Reclamation Sports Park
0	0	0	49	Oury Park Festival Area
0	0	0	50	Ajo Detention Basin Park
0	0	0	51	El Casino Park
1	1	0	52	JVYC/Ochoa Gym
1	1	0	53	Barnett Linear Park and Flood Control Channel
2	1	1	54	Robles Community Park
8	7	1	55	Ajo Community Golf Course Improvements
0	0	0	56	Lawrence Park Improvements
0	0	0	57	Lawrence Hiaki Pathway

* Note many of the parks and rec comments were vague and were thus coded to the general parks and rec category

Non-project specific comments

Total	Category
350	General comment/Miscellaneous
115	General comment (positive)
109	General comment (negative)
263	Suggested project not on list
319	No bonds/anti-tax/no spend/keep to budget
560	Transportation/fix roads (general)
222	Specific transportation project
202	Parks/Rec/Sports (general)
212	Specific parks/rec/sports
219	Economic development/job creation
176	Pedestrian/Bicycle
158	Geographic area specific
134	Education
94	Environment/Wild life
90	Libraries
78	Disabled/Disadvantaged
77	Arts/Music/Culture
76	Children/Families
64	Health
50	Flooding/drainage
41	Public safety/fire/police
35	Defense/DM/Raytheon
26	Housing
25	Beautification
18	Seniors
185	Survey - Positive comment
62	Survey - Negative comment

Attachment J

Public Comments



September 3, 2013

Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
c/o **Deseret Romero**
Pima County Administration
130 W. Congress, 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

SUBJECT: S. 12th Avenue Cultural & Culinary Corridor

Dear Committee Members:

As Principal of Pueblo Magnet High School located on 12th Avenue just north of Ajo, I am writing to express my support for the S. 12th Avenue Cultural & Culinary Corridor project.

12th Avenue is a special place in Tucson. The area is a cultural and culinary destination with great restaurants, small businesses, great schools with a long tradition of producing successful graduates, and a strong community. Funding this project will improve the area and enhance its character, attracting visitors and locals to our businesses and our schools.

The area has been lacking investment for years. We are missing sidewalks all along the roadway, bus shelters, trees with shade, and the roadway has not been maintained. This creates a serious safety issue as well as an unattractive and unwelcoming appearance.

Investing in improvements along 12th Avenue will bring new business to the area and students to Pueblo High School. I believe that this project will provide a much needed enhancement to our community and hope that we can all work together to 'get it done.'

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vivi Watt". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Vivi P. Watt, Principal

CC: **Ramon Valadez** - Chairman, Pima County Board of Supervisors
Richard Elias – Supervisor, Pima County, District 5
Regina Romero - Council Member, City of Tucson, Ward 1

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee,

I appreciate your continued efforts in determining which projects will be the recipients of the 2014 Pima County bond, and it is my honor to write a letter in support and appreciation for Literacy Connects. I have been born, raised, educated, and employed in Tucson, which gives me a unique perspective on the educational and professional situation in Tucson today.

Undeniably, there is a strong correlation in Tucson between wealth and academic success—students from affluent families consistently outperform the low-income students in school, and later on, in the workplace. I am passionate about educational equity and rewriting the equation of opportunity. Young people's demographics should not determine their destiny. But in order for this dream to become a reality, we, as a community, need to support organizations like Literacy Connects.

Each year Literacy Connects provides students of all age brackets the opportunity to gain an appreciation for literacy and the arts that otherwise may not be available. Many of the programs they offer were developed in conjunction with classroom teachers over several years. Their long-standing relationship with Tucson schools enables them to offer holistic programming that aligns with Common Core Standards in English Language Arts, preparing students to thrive in the 21st Century workplace. As part of its continued efforts, Literacy Connects gives students the tools they need to yield results, transforming at-risk students into achievers.

Funding of this project is an investment in the future. With a permanent home, Literacy Connects will continue to help close the achievement gap in Tucson, elevating the income status of individuals and families. This in turn will serve the entire community through decreased crime rates and increased revenue.

Please consider a facility for Literacy Connects and JobPath in the 2014 bond package. I am grateful for such a program in Tucson, and I hope you will also see its value. I also encourage you to support Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands, programs that also strengthen the quality of life in Tucson.

I am excited to vote in the 2014 bond election and will inform others about its importance. Thank you very much for all your hard work in this process.

Respectfully,



Shannon Rzucidlo
420 S. 6th Avenue #103
Tucson, AZ 85701



Ms. Suzanne Shields, P.E., Director
Pima County Regional Flood Control District
97 E. Congress, 3rd Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

August 9, 2013

RE: Corazon de los Tres Rios del Norte

Dear Ms. Shields,

Catalina Radio Control Modelers (CRCM) Club herein requests and maintains an interest in partnering with Pima County as a stakeholder in the **Corazon de los Tres Rios del Norte Plan**. As such, this letter provides an overview of CRCM.

CRCM has operated a radio control club and maintained facilities within the proposed Tres Rios del Norte plan boundaries since 1992 under a lease agreement with Pima County. The Club provides a location for safe operation of radio controlled (RC) model airplanes, model helicopters and model cars and currently has approximately 80 members in good standing. The Club's goal and philosophy are to enjoy model aviation, learn and teach aviation skills, particularly to youth, in a friendly and safe environment open to all walks of life, income levels and age groups. Our mission is to promote, develop, educate, advance, and safeguard radio controlled modeling activities.

The CRCM Club typically organizes 3-5 events per year that are open to the public. These events include Fun-Flys, Scale Plane demonstrations at Davis Monthan, Pot Luck Dinners, Night Flys, Aerobatic Competitions sanctioned by the International Miniature Aerobatic Club (IMAC), and Mall Shows with flight simulators available for young and old. The CRCM county leased field has also used as a practice site for the Tucson Aerobatic Shootout. The Tucson Aerobatic Shootout is an international annual competition attracting hundreds of visitors from around the world including Australia, Austria, France, Mexico, and Puerto Rico. Prizes for this event exceed \$140,000. Additionally, aeronautical engineering students from the U of A utilize our field to test fly their radio controlled aircraft class projects. The Club has also hosted engineering students from Daniel Webster College in Nashua NH, Rice University in Texas, and Technion - Israel Institute of Technology, Israel.

The CRCM Club is a Charter Member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). The AMA is the Chartering Organization for more than 2,500 model airplane clubs across the country. The AMA provides leadership, organization, competition, communication, protection, representation, recognition, education, and scientific/technical development to modelers. Additionally the AMA offers its chartered clubs official contest sanction, insurance, and assistance in obtaining and maintaining flying sites.

CRCM Provides Various Community Benefits, Including:

- Public recreation
- Youth education
- Remotely piloted vehicle (RPV) skill development and training
- Community economic benefit from events and competitions

As a stakeholder in the Corazon de los Tres Rios del Norte Plan, CRCM will:

- Provide guidance and input to Pima County during planning stages regarding design, construction and operation of a model airplane park
- Operate and manage the upgraded model airplane park to ensure a enjoyable and safe modeling experience
- Supervise public events and competitions
- Host educational programs for U of A and other Universities

The CRCM Club and our membership look forward to working with the County on this project to reach common goals. Please do not hesitate contacting us if you have any comments, questions or to schedule any planning meetings.

Sincerely yours,



Warren Wilderson
President
Catalina RC Modelers
(520) 749-5421



Mark W. Kuhn
Public Affairs Liaison
Catalina RC Modelers
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PIMA COUNTY BOND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Survey Response

Response of the Joaquin Murrieta Park Renovation Supporters

Valerie Chandler, Representative
August 9, 2013

Thank you for allowing this coalition of Pima County residents to submit responses through our representative. Ms. Valerie M. Chandler has worked on this project for many years. She has assured that our interests were protected throughout this period. The documents we submit today reflect the input we have provided to her regarding the above project for the duration of our involvement with this endeavor. We hope you will agree with our conclusions and thank you again for allowing us to submit our opinions regarding this worthy project.

Joaquin Murrieta Park Renovation Supporters

Bond Advisory Committee Members,

My son, Emil J. S. Davis, died at Joaquin Murrieta Park on August 7, 2009. Emil had been suffering with mental illness for many years before his death. Though he successfully controlled his illness for the most part, there were times when impulse overcame him and trouble found him. On that fateful day, weeks without medication, a realization that his friends were maturing, his deep depression and a gun, all combined to turn his last impulse into a terrible tragedy. He struggled for hours to do no harm, but was not able to fight back his decision to stop being ill. Emil walked out of our home, went over to Murrieta Park and fired one bullet into his head.

I was waiting at my front door for help to arrive when the shot rang out. I begged Jehovah God to decide if I would stand up and deal with this or fall down and give up. His spirit answered immediately: Stand up, stay up, keep going! I accepted what happened, but now I had to allow God's comforters to help me remain strong.

Comfort came quickly and from all directions. From first responders who treated Emil's body tenderly, spoke to his family respectfully, and showed tremendous compassion as they tried to soften the graveness of his injuries. From friends and coworkers who arranged for a memorial service giving financial and material contributions to cover the services costs. From my family and congregation who took care of me, my home and the coordinating for that special day when over 200 community members came to pay honor to my precious Emil. These expressions of love bind us together for a lifetime.

How can one ever repay such loving kindness? Every effort on my part seemed inadequate until the opportunity arose to work on a plan to renovate Joaquin Murrieta Park. I jumped at the opportunity to give a lasting gift to the citizens who had given me so much and have worked to accomplish this endeavor since January 2011. After numerous twists and turns there finally is a beautiful-City approved-Master Plan! It is understood that Minor changes will occur along the way since no plan is ever 100%, but this one is darn close. But how will these renovations be funded? I have always believed that this project should and would be funded by Pima County.

Pima County is a staunch advocate for public space. You strive to balance the needs of business and local enterprise with those of voters and residents. You manage to succeed at the most important duty entrusted to a government entity: fine stewardship of the monies, properties, and constituencies assigned to you by the citizens. Your goal is to fund projects which will give maximum benefit to a majority of that citizenry.

For the reasons listed above I request today that you fund the renovations at Joaquin Murrieta Park. I am humbled to speak on behalf of the hundreds of Pima County residents who have approached me about this project. When I listen to them I hear disappointment over years of perceived neglect, but still they hope that maybe, just once, the promises broken by City administration will become dreams fulfilled, thanks to the stewardship of Pima County. They have waited many years to see the fruits of this particular endeavor realized.

The people who support this project come from every corner of the County and beyond. If you build it, they will come to the newly renovated Joaquin Murrieta Park to celebrate this wonderful joint effort of City and County.

The economy in Pima County is on the upswing. Many new businesses and potential residents have begun to check us out. The proximity of the Westside to downtown and the interstate make it ripe for development. The consultants for the Master Plan sought to understand the needs of both government and the residents. They have given us a park to serve as a recreational hub not just of Westside residents, but for all of Pima County. I am certain you will agree and will work to secure funding for the renovation of Joaquin Murrieta Park as quickly as possible.

I have included comments from County residents expressing what they envision from a park since they are the ones who will benefit from this fulfilled dream.

Thanks for reviewing this survey submission.



Valerie M. Chandler, Representative:
Joaquin Murrieta Park Renovation Supporters

RESPONSES FROM CITIZENS TO THE QUESTIONS BELOW

Questions:

What types of things do you use a park for?

How do parks improve life for you and those you know?

Answers:

A.S.

I use parks for soccer practice, birthday parties, and walks. They improve live for me because they bring people together, and they help me relieve stress when I take walks or do other activities there.

I.K.

Birthday parties, exercise (walk around the park), take my son to toss the football around or play basketball. It is good to be outside away from the television or just laying around. You can get some exercise without it being a chore.

N.A.

We use the walking path, Ramada's for parties and picnics and go swimming at our park.

L.L.

That is the weirdest/randomness questions ever. But I would say for #1-parks are good for gatherings, exercising, and recreational activities. #2-Parks improve people's lives because they are relaxing and offer a friendly outside environment.

B.P.

Take my grandkids there to play, parties, take walks, walk/run the dog(s), sit and read a book or newspaper on pleasant days. Get a chance to get out together and have a good healthy time like the good old days. (Away from television and video games).

M. C.

Kids playing...playground, softball, etc... Having picnics and walking.

F.L.

Park use: walking and relaxing; picnics. Charity events such as NAMI 2 years ago. My park doesn't have sports facilities, so no games. Parks are great for kids to run around and see nature and animals.

Sorry, no profound ideas about the function of parks.

M.V.

Birthday parties. Walking Dog, walking (for exercise) and photography.

L. H.

Lately I don't use parks much, but in the past I usually used them for exercise, a place for my kid to play, parties, picnics, and attending events that are held at parks, such as concerts, etc.

Parks improve life for everyone in the community because they provide space for the above-listed activities, making people healthier and happier!

Deseret Romero

From: notification@pima.gov
Sent: Tuesday, August 06, 2013 7:41 AM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Feedback Form 2013-08-06 07:40 AM Submission Notification

Feedback Form 2013-08-06 07:40 AM was submitted by Guest on 8/6/2013 7:40:34 AM (GMT-07:00)
US/Mountain

Name	Value
First Name	Albert
Last Name	Lannon
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Address	13141 W. Camino de Conejo
City	Tucson
State	AZ
Zipcode	85743

Message Subject I-11 link imperils bonds

I generally vote for bond issues, and participated in the survey. I support many of the proposed funding choices. However, the inclusion of funding -- now set at \$90 million -- for a link to a proposed new Avra Valley highway, I-11, will force my neighbors and myself to vote against the entire measure. I-11 is a "poison pill" that can doom all your work, and should be removed. The reasons for that are below in a Guest Opinion I have just submitted to the Arizona Daily Star; I hope it will be shared with the full Committee. Guest Opinion: SAVE THE AVRA VALLEY !! By Albert Vetere Lannon The Star has published front-page stories about a proposed new 56-mile-long freeway, Interstate 11, through the Avra Valley as part of a trade corridor linking Canada, the U.S. and Mexico. Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry supports I-11, despite a Pima County Board of Supervisor's 2007 resolution in opposition. Huckelberry stated, "We cannot be left out of this." Exactly who "we" are is unclear. No discussions were held with residents and property owners who will be affected, and none of the 47 families — Huckelberry's numbers — whose homes would be taken for the freeway were contacted. The I-11 Avra

Comment Valley route is the same as that of the I-10 Bypass, a proposal designed for trucks and hazardous cargo to bypass Tucson. In 2008 the State Transportation Board's then-chairman, real estate attorney Si Schorr, jammed through a vote without hearing from any of the 100 people present opposing the Bypass. An audience uproar resulted in five opponents being heard, even though the vote was over. It's worth repeating what was said then: Bruce Ellis, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation: "(You would be) setting up certain future conflict with Reclamation and the Department of the Interior." (The Bureau of Reclamation oversees a wildlife mitigation corridor just south of Saguaro National Park that was established when the CAP canal was built. I-11 faces the same problem of squeezing between the mitigation corridor and the Tohono O'odham Reservation. Sandario Road has an 80-foot right-of-way while I-11 needs at least 300 feet. One proposed "solution" is to use Sandario as a base for an elevated freeway between the Reservation and the Corridor.) Sarah Craighead, then Superintendent, Saguaro National Park: "An I-10 Bypass that lies immediately west of the Park is inconsistent with the purposes for which the Park and the wilderness areas were established." John Windes,

Habitat Specialist, Arizona Game and Fish Department: "The Department does not find the I-10 Bypass proposal to be consistent with smart, thorough, and sustainable planning principles." Pima County Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 2007-343 : "...the Pima County Board of Supervisors opposes the construction of any new highways in or around the County that have the stated purpose of bypassing the existing Interstate 10 as it is believed that the environmental, historic, archaeological, and urban form impacts could not be adequately mitigated." ADOT staff said then that double-decking just six miles of the present I-10 could solve future transportation problems, but that it cost too much, \$700-900 million. While the cost-per-mile would be more than I-11's, the total cost of double-decking I-10 would be about ten percent of the cost of building the Bypass, according to ADOT's numbers. ADOT staff also said that double-decking I-10 would cause "visual impact, as well as increased air and noise pollution." It is unfair and immoral to impose that risk on us. It is unfair and immoral to run trucks with hazardous cargo just a mile from two schools and a community center. It is unfair and immoral to pollute our air, destroy our viewshed, and bring freeway noise to our quiet community. Huckelberry's plans include funding an I-11 link with money from the bond proposal currently being crafted, thus imperiling many worthwhile projects. Many of us will campaign and vote against any bond issue with I-11 money in it. My neighbors and I want to protect our valley, our desert and its multitude of wild things, for future generations. People have lived here peacefully for more than 10,000 years. The bureaucrats will not destroy our community. We won't let them. Poet and historian Albert Vetere Lannon lives in Picture Rocks where he has worked to deliver good drinking water, chronicled local news, done environmental education and monitored archaeological sites; he can be reached at albertlannon@powerc.net.

Response requested Yes

Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

I have been following the news about the 2014 Pima County bond and would like to say a few words about projects that I think are really important. I have been a volunteer with Literacy Volunteers of Tucson, one of the partners of Literacy Connects, for almost 7 years. We have an English Language Acquisition component but I volunteer on the Basic Literacy side. I tutor adults who have a desire to help their children with homework, or read to their grandchildren, order from a menu, cook something new from a recipe, read what's in the mail for themselves, read the words under the pictures in the newspaper, or in the balloons over the comic page characters, take a trip on their own, use a computer, for email, to fill out a job application, or even a Pima County bond survey.

One of the dreams of volunteers and students is one day to have a center where families can come together and participate at whatever literacy level they need or desire. Imagine a community that is 100% literate. We do! We took a step closer to that dream with the formation of Literacy Connects. We are now involved with life-long literacy. Our collaboration with JobPath added a direct connection to the workforce. We have dedicated staff and 100's of passionate volunteers, as well as tremendous community support for our programs. What we do not have are the resources to bring us all together in one place with room to grow.

I hope that you appreciate the contributions of Literacy Connects and JobPath to the economic and cultural health of our community and will include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Facility in the 2014 bond package. Our diverse programs are known and appreciated throughout the community. I am sure that our facility in the bond package would be a positive step toward its passage.

Other projects that I hope you will support are: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands.

As a 48 year resident of Pima County, a retired businessman and a volunteer in the community, I appreciate the work that you have agreed to do, sorting from all of the needs of our county. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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July 26, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
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Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee

I am writing in regards to the 2014 Pima County Bond. I am the president of the advisory board for Reach out and Read Southern Arizona which is a program of Literacy Connects. Our mission at Reach out and Read is to promote early literacy by having pediatricians provide new books to children at their routine well child visits from age 6 months to 5 years. We also provide guidance to the parents regarding early literacy. Along with the other programs of Literacy Connects our programs help children succeed in school and adults succeed in the job market. Thousand of children and families are helped by these programs yearly.

Literacy Connects is currently located in a space that was originally planned only for Literacy Volunteers. As we have expanded to include five different programs the space has become too small and is limited our capacity to help families in Pima County. I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and Job Path Facility in the 2014 bond package.

With this project included in the 2014 Pima county bond I will vote for the levy and encourage my friends and colleagues to do the same.

Thank you for your consideration and for the work you do to review the bond projects.

Sincerely yours,



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Larry Hecker, Chair
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Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee Members,

As a board member of Literacy Connects and a founder of Reach Out and Read Southern Arizona, I hope that you will support the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs facility in the 2014 bond package. Literacy Connects supports both adults and children with research based programs to improve literacy skills. These programs help kids to succeed in school and adults to have a second chance at improving their lives. In turn these successes will improve our workforce and drive our economy forward. JobPath and Literacy Connects have already been working together to help families move out of poverty and into training for productive employment. Both of these programs are not able to reach their full potential because they are currently limited by their space. Two of the four programs in Literacy Connects operate out of their directors' homes because we do not have office space for them. More clients could also be served and new programs started with increased classroom space.

I know that there are many projects proposed for the upcoming bond election. (I did my survey!)_ and supported other areas such as affordable housing, neighborhood reinvestment and some of the environmental issues. All of these will help Pima County move forward in the next decade.

It will be easy to support the bond when these types of programs are included. It will also be easy to advocate for them with other members of the community. As chair of the Advocacy Committee at Literacy Connects, I will rally as many of our friends as possible to support this bond.

I know that all of you are volunteers and that to vet all of the current proposals involves a huge amount of work. I am grateful for your time and effort. Together Pima County's next bond will both improve our infrastructure and improve the lives of our citizens.

Thank you,



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July 26, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
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Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

Thank you the opportunity to communicate our thoughts on priorities for Tucson as you consider the 2014 Pima County bond.

We are supporters and volunteers of Literacy Connects, particularly its Literacy Volunteers program for adults and Reading Seed for children in our schools. We understand the difference our programs make to individuals, their families and the entire community. We believe literacy is one of the core economic problems of our community (and country), and a problem we can alleviate, if we have the will to invest. We have looked at the research-based data over the life of the various components of Literacy Connects, and there is no doubt that their programs help people, who would otherwise fail, succeed in our community. These successful programs need to be expanded; their capacity to reach those that sit on waiting lists for help needs to grow; their staff and volunteers need facilities and space to breathe.

JobPath has worked collaboratively with Literacy Connects for several years. They help hundreds of families every year to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce. Both of these organizations are being constrained by their limited space. Both work for the betterment of Pima County.

Please include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

Other community initiatives, such as Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands work to improve Tucson. They deserve consideration, as well.

Should these organizations be included in the 2014 Pima County bond considered, not only will we vote for its successful passage, we will work toward making it happen.

Thank you for the work you do to help our Pima County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects, and thanks for the opportunity to make our voice known to the Commission. With your help, Pima County will have a bond levy that not only improves the County's infrastructure, but also helps improve lives.

Sincerely,



Harriet Kronman



Len Kronman

TO: PIMA COUNTY BOND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FROM: JANET FRAKES

I am writing to urge you to support the the proposal of Literacy Connects for funding for a shared facility for adult education programs in Tucson.

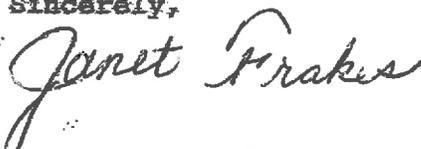
Since 2002, I have worked as a volunteer teacher in Literacy Volunteers English Acquisition classes. In addition, I have served two-terms as president of the Literacy Volunteers Board of Directors. Working in both these capacities, I have seen both the great accomplishments which have been made--and also am aware of the even greater potential for the future.

The merger of Literacy Volunteers with a number of agencies with related goals certainly will strengthen the efforts to better the lives of adult learners in many ways. But, space for these agencies is a great barrier. While we work in many community sites, there is clearly a need for a centralized core space which would not only unify these agencies, but which would save money which could be used to expand programs.

After 11 years, I am still working with LVT (now Literacy Connects), and I feel that we are making strong contributions both to the individuals in our programs and to the community at large. I urge you to support our request for funding to help us expand our work.

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me if you would like any further information. (I'm enclosing my card.)

Sincerely,



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July 29, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 West Congress Street, 10th Floor
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Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee,

As a volunteer and donor for Literacy Connects, I appreciate the opportunity to provide input about the inclusion of projects in the 2014 bond levy. I know you have many deserving projects to consider, but I urge you to put the Literacy Connects and JobPath Facility at the top of the list.

As a former county employee and now, as a full-time volunteer, I feel I have a unique perspective on the needs of Pima County residents. As a public health nurse for 35 years, I experienced first-hand the struggles of families and communities who were burdened with the effects of low literacy and its impact on health status, employment and community engagement. I vowed that upon retirement I would volunteer with programs that addressed these issues. Since 2008, I've been privileged to volunteer as a basic literacy tutor and trainer with Literacy Volunteers of Tucson, and as a reading coach with Reading Seed, both programs of Literacy Connects. The excellent initial and on-going training provided to volunteers is research/evidenced-based and this transfers to the instruction we provide to our students.

I'm not exaggerating when I say these programs are life-changing, both for volunteers and students, but there is much more to be done. The lack of space and the multiple locations of the partner programs limits volunteer training and program services. If we could all be united in one facility, services could be broadened, fragmentation could be reduced, and more lives could be impacted.

Thank you for your careful consideration of the inclusion of the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs facility in the bond package. I know your job is difficult. You all have my gratitude for answering the call to service for Pima County.

With the hope and conviction that together we can make our world a better place for all,


Betty Ord

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

Each year as I write my checks for year end giving and throughout the year when I am asked for donations I stop and dream about a society where education and the environment are top priorities. When I listen to the news and become disheartened after hearing more statistics linking crime, domestic violence and abuse to lack of education/literacy I have to stop and wonder how we really value human life.

Every time I write a check to Literacy Connects I say to myself, if only everyone could read I wouldn't need to support all of these organizations. If everyone could read we as a society could solve many of our every day problems it really is as simple as that.

As you work to determine the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I want you to really think about projects that I believe are priorities for our community. I am a donor of Literacy Connects and have seen firsthand the impact their research-based programs have on both children and adults. In both cases our current and future workforce and economy are improved. JobPath has worked collaboratively with Literacy Connects for several years. They help hundreds of families every year to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce. Both of these organizations are being constrained by their limited space. Both work for the betterment of Pima County.

I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

In addition, I strongly support other projects that, in my opinion, work for the greater good and improve Pima County. I encourage you to also support: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. To me, each of these projects is vital to improving the vibrancy and health of our community. I live in a middle to low income neighborhood. We are the working poor. I see the negative effects of illiteracy every day. Our neighborhood has been the recipient of Neighborhood Reinvestment dollars in the past. The benefit of these dollars is seen daily as neighbors can walk along a nice sidewalk to and from the grocery store instead of walking in the street. Our small pocket park is used daily by young people leaving a cramped house or apartment, enjoying the quite beauty of the park with friends or just a place to be alone. If we give up all our lands to developers Tucsonans will have a diminished quality of life.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy. Furthermore, I will spread the word to my colleagues and friends to also support the levy.

Mr. Larry Hecker, Chair, and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 West Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ, 85701

July 27, 2013

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee,

We are writing regarding the list of proposed projects for the 2014 Pima County Bond. The list is impressive and prioritizing among the topics is a challenge. Each one would enhance the living standards of the citizens of Pima County. Having lived here since 1949, and watched our community grow and develop, we are impressed with the awareness and thoughtfulness of those who submitted their views of how to make Pima County an even better place to live.

We have made an effort to consider the projects that will raise the living standards of our citizenry through provisions for education, job training, upward mobility, recreation and conservation, and pride in community. In submitting our preferences we urge the committee to attend particularly to such projects.

As long time volunteers and donors to Literacy Connects, and volunteers to Job Path, we have seen the resulting successes of students. Approval of this bond coalition, Literacy Connects and Job Path, will be a step up in opportunity for the many people these groups serve, enabling them to overcome fear and shame of failure. Those served realize satisfaction in personal learning accomplishments. They are able to contribute more economically and socially to the community of Pima County. They help to break the chain of illiteracy that reaches from one generation to the next as they participate in their childrens' learning.

We also want to support the projects for environmental preservation, neighborhood reinvestment and affordable housing. They also improve and enhance our community, bringing pride and appreciation; a feeling of good fortune to live in Pima County.

We thank you for your service, your time, your thoughtfulness, as you make recommendations for the future of Pima County.

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July 29, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
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Re: 2014 Pima County Bond Inclusion of Literacy Connects & JobPath Programs

Dear Mr. Hecker et al:

I am a volunteer and donor for Literacy Connects. I have seen firsthand the impact their research-based programs have on children and adults. Tucson and Pima County benefit when kids are helped to succeed in school and adults are helped to have a second chance. JobPath and Literacy Connects have worked collaboratively for several years, but, at this point, both of these groups are being constrained by their limited space.

I also strongly support other projects that work for the common good to improve Pima County. Particularly, I encourage you to also support: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. These projects also have the ability to improve the health and vibrancy of our community.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County Bond, I will vote for the levy. What's more, I will spread the word to my friends to support the levy.

Thank you for your work in helping the Pima County Commissioners to look at all of the proposed bond projects. I appreciate, too, the opportunity to give you my opinion about this.

Sincerely,

Karen M. Wilkison

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Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th Floor
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Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee,

I thank you for considering the views of the citizens of Tucson in determining choices to be included in the upcoming Pima County Bond Project. As a retired librarian and first generation American, I have a personal, as well as community interest in this process. One of my most touching memories comes from an old black and white photo of my newly arrived mother in a night school class, along with other adult students from many countries, attempting to become literate in English...and this after working at a menial job all day. Literacy has been a driving force in my life and I experienced first hand how it opened doors for me and others in my generation to have a better life. I would wish these opportunities for others.

I strongly believe that Literacy Connects provides this open door for those seeking to become literate. I have witnessed many testimonials over the years which have never failed to bring tears to the eyes of listeners, as to how lives were changed by this great gift bestowed by volunteers of Literacy Connects. I would hope the citizens of Tucson will bestow the great gift of a building, with more space and availability of physical resources, to accommodate more would-be learners.

Although I know very little about JobPath, the concept of collaboration with Literacy Connects and their ultimate goal of lifting people out of poverty seems like an excellent symbiotic working partnership. A larger building would seem the fine choice for accommodating these two non-profit organizations.

I will most definitely and enthusiastically vote for these bond projects and will encourage all my personal and professional friends and neighbors to do so, as well. Thank you for all the work you do to make our community strong, viable and a place in which we are proud to live.

Sincerely,



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July 30, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
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Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee,

With regard to the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I believe there are priorities for our community. I am a volunteer and supporter of Literacy Connects and have seen firsthand the impact of their programs on children and adults. Our entire community benefits as a result of programs that help kids succeed in school and adults gain literacy skills. In both cases our current and future workforce and economy are improved.

JobPath has worked collaboratively with Literacy Connects for several years. They help hundreds of families every year to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce. Both of these organizations are being constrained by their limited space. Both work for the betterment of Pima County.

I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

I strongly support other projects that, in my opinion, work for the common good and improve Pima County. I encourage you to also support: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. To me, each of these projects is vital to improving the vibrancy and health of our community.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy. Furthermore, I will spread the word to my colleagues and friends to also support the levy.

Thank you for the work you do to help our Pima County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects. With your help, Pima County will have a bond levy that not only improves the County's infrastructure, but also helps improve lives.

Respectfully,

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July 30, 2013

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With regard to the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I believe there are priorities for our community. I am a Board Member of Literacy Connects and have seen firsthand the impact of their programs on children and adults. Our entire community benefits as a result of programs that help kids succeed in school and adults gain literacy skills. In both cases our current and future workforce and economy are improved.

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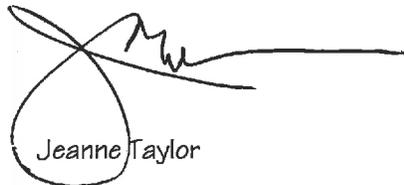
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With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy. Furthermore, I will spread the word to my colleagues and friends to also support the levy.

Thank you for the work you do to help our Pima County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects. With your help, Pima County will have a bond levy that not only improves the County's infrastructure, but also helps improve lives.

Respectfully,



Jeanne Taylor

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

July 29, 2014

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

I am the director of Reach Out and Read southern Arizona. I work with pediatricians to make early childhood literacy a part of every well child visit they conduct for children under 6 years old. At each visit our doctors give a brand new book to the baby and advise the parents on the importance of books sharing daily with their children. We know that children that are read to love books and children that love books have a running start on school.

I am writing you today to support the 2014 bond. I want to see literacy for all ages supported. While my effort focuses on early childhood, I am pleased to be part of Literacy Connects. With my partners we are able to impact children and adults. I also am pleased to support JobPath and the work that they do. Helping families move out of poverty and into the work force is good for everyone. This work takes many hands and many different kinds of efforts. Our challenges coordinating our efforts are compounded by having several different locations. Simply put we all need one space to work more effectively together and to provide more unified services for the families we serve.

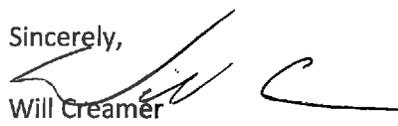
I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

Likewise, I strongly support other projects that work for the common good and improve Pima County. I encourage you to also support: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. Each of these projects is vital to improving the vibrancy and health of our community.

I am working with my RORSA Advisory Council, which is made up of pediatricians in our community to talk among their peers and build support for this bond. Over 55 pediatric clinics in southern Arizona practice Reach Out and Read. They distribute over 55,000 books to primarily low income families. These doctors know that good health is far more than medicine. Good health involves feeling hopeful about one's future. Nothing gives one more hope than becoming literate and getting on the right path for a job.

Thank you for the work you do to help our Pima County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects. With your help, Pima County will have a bond levy that not only improves the County's infrastructure, but also helps improve the lives of those we serve.

Sincerely,


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Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
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July 26, 2013

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

The greatest challenge I face as a small business owner is recruiting and retaining qualified talent for the dozens of great-paying, knowledge worker jobs our business will create in the next five years. For the past five years, I have seen a steady decline in the quality and quantity of candidates, particularly with regard to their reading and writing skills. I am greatly concerned about our region's capacity to continually supply a strong workforce unless we invest in literacy and job skills programs.

As you work to determine the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I wanted to express to you my opinions for projects that I believe are priorities for our community. I am a believer in Literacy Connects and have seen firsthand the impact their research-based programs have on both children and adults. Our entire community benefits as their programs help kids to succeed in school and help adults to have a second chance. In both cases our current and future workforce and economy are improved. JobPath has worked collaboratively with Literacy Connects for several years. They help hundreds of families every year to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce. Both of these organizations are being constrained by their limited space. Both work for the betterment of Pima County.

I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy. Furthermore, I will spread the word to my colleagues and friends to also support the levy.

I sincerely appreciate the effort the committee has invested to further this process and want to commend you all for your personal commitment to Tucson. In turn, I will pledge to do my part to continue to contribute to our economic engine through the success of our small business.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Larry Hecker, Chair
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Dear Mr. Hecker and Members of the Advisory Committee,

In reading the projects listed in the Pima County (PC) Bond Survey, one can be overwhelmed by the sheer number of the projects submitted by the various PC community organizations and jurisdictions. How much more so must be the Herculean task of the Advisory Committee to choose projects that satisfy the diverse interests of so many Pima County communities.

Yet, in narrowing down the projects, the Advisory Committee may find guidance in the research of economists and sociologists whose independent findings supported what the Bureau of Labor Statistics also reported, namely, that "illiteracy is one of the major causes of poverty and is a devastating drag on the economic development of communities."

Literacy Connects is a Pima-wide literacy movement comprised of five programs of all volunteer tutoring effort, each focusing on different age groups from young children to adults. The tutoring services are free for the asking to those who struggle to read or write English, who thus cannot fill out an employment application, read a prescription label on a medication bottle, register to vote, or follow job related written instructions, among other activities.

Job Path serves Pima County by providing low-income adults with training, skills development and education, bridging them with the needs of county technology and business enterprises. However, Job Path's effort is directed at those who are mostly literate. Thus, amalgamating the efforts of both LC and JP under one roof would provide a center of concentrated focus on literacy and jobs.

Clearly, in the PC Bond Survey, under Job Growth, Education and Work Force Training, the Bond project listed as LITERACY CONNECTS AND JOB PATH PROGRAMS FACILITY recommends itself for Pima County-wide economic development.

One should be ever mindful of kindling hope with communities' desirable needs, in order to to gain a favorable vote on the Bond. Therefore, in my view it is advisable to meet at

least some additional community needs. May I suggest the Committee tap common community interests in the bond package; in particular, Affordable Housing; and Community Open Space.

Trusting that the Committee will find Literacy Connects and Job Path Programs Facility, as well as the above-mentioned additional projects worthy of including in the PC Bond, I remain

Respectfully yours,


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July 31, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair, and Members of Committee
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress St., 10th Floor
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Re: Selection of Projects for 2014 Bond Package

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee Members,

Many thanks for serving on this important committee. I salute you all for your willinness to do this work for the good of the residents of Pima County.

I am writing to ask the committee to include **Literacy Connects Job Path Programs Facility** in the 2014 bond package.

Both Literacy Connects and Job Path provide or support job preparation and help families move out of poverty, with large economic payoff to the county. As a donor and former board member of Literacy Connects, I know that LC helps tens of thousands of children, adults and families every year acquire literacy skills and improve their ability to succeed in life. Literacy Connects prepares children to enter and succeed in school, and adults to earn their GED's, and then get jobs, leading to economic benefit to the county in the form of workers' increased spending, increased taxes paid, and reduced public welfare payments.

Job Path likewise helps hundreds of adults every year move off public assistance, into job training and then into jobs. An independent 2010 impact study found that, as a result of increased wages of its graduates, Job Path created an economic impact on Pima County ranging from \$4.8 million to \$8.3 million per year over a five-year period. This was a return on investment of \$2.41 in new wages for every \$1 in program cost.

Literacy Connects and Job Path have worked together for years and both are painfully constrained by limited space. Both organizations work for economic development and improved quality of life in Pima County. **The Literacy Connects Job Path Programs Facility** deserves to be included in the 2014 bond package.

Additionally, I would urge the committee to include these four additional projects that will significantly improve quality of life for the residents of Pima County:

1) Affordable Housing; 2) Neighborhood Reinvestment; 3) Community Open Space; and 4) Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands.

I would gladly support and vote for a bond issue containing these five specific projects and would work to get it passed.

Respectfully,



Anne Bradford Stericker, PhD

July 30, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee,

I am writing to you today to urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package. These projects are very important and should be high priority projects for our community.

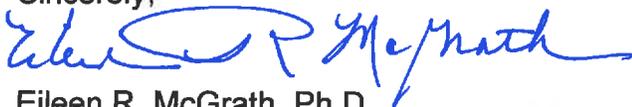
As a donor and supporter of Literacy Connects I have seen the immediate impact that their research-based programs have on both children and adults. Our entire community benefits as their programs help children succeed in school and help adults attain needed skills to be more successful in the workforce. In both cases, our current and future workforce and economy are strengthened and improved.

JobPath has worked collaboratively with Literacy Connects for a number of years helping hundreds of families to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce each year; however, both of these organizations are being constrained by their limited space. Together they work for the betterment of Pima County. It is time that the county supports these critical efforts. Additionally, I encourage you to support: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space & Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. Each of these projects is vital to improving the vibrancy and health of our community.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy and will encourage my colleagues and friends to also support it as well.

Thank you for the work you do to help our Pima County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects. With your help, Pima County will have a bond levy that not only improves the County's infrastructure, but also helps to improve the lives of our citizens.

Sincerely,



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July 31, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 West Congress Street, 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for your work on the upcoming Bond Election. As volunteers and supporters of Literacy Connects, we are writing this letter to urge you to include the proposal from Literacy Connects and JobPath for a new or renovated Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package. These organizations are a lifeline for thousands of individuals and families living in Pima County.

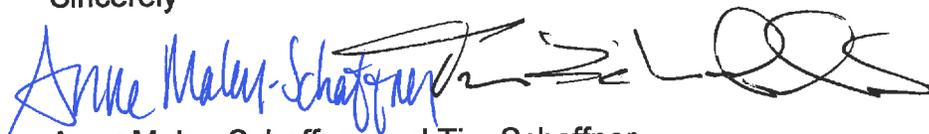
Pima County benefits from the programs run by Literacy Connects and JobPath as their literacy programs give children, young adults and adults a second chance to be part of the workforce which helps improve the local economy. For the past several years these organizations have been working collaboratively to move families out of poverty and into training and to become fully functional members of the community. They are, however, limited by their current offices, which are inadequate and do not meet the needs of their students. As you know, sharing offices will reduce the overhead and administrative costs of running two nonprofits.

In addition, we ask that you support other projects in the bond package which include Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat protection Priorities and Associated Lands. These projects are also vital to improving the health of our community.

You can rest assured that we will vote for the Pima County Bond and tell our friends and colleagues to vote as well.

Thank you for your support and thoughtful consideration of our request to support programs which will enhance the quality of life for our community.

Sincerely



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July 31, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and Members of the Committee,

As you work to determine the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I wanted to express to you my opinion about the projects that I believe should be priorities for our community. I am a volunteer and donor for Literacy Connects and have seen firsthand the impact their research-based programs have on both children and adults. Our entire community benefits as their programs have positive outcomes with children and youth succeeding in school and adults reaching a higher potential. In both cases our current and future workforce and economy are improved. JobPath has worked collaboratively with Literacy Connects for several years. They help hundreds of families every year to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce. Both of these organizations are being constrained by their limited space. Both are having impact on the success of Pima County.

I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

As I shared in the online poll regarding the bond, I also strongly support other projects that, in my opinion, work for the common good and improve Pima County. I encourage you to also support: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. The projects in these categories are vital to improving the vibrancy and health of our community.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy. Furthermore, I will spread the word to my colleagues and friends to also support the levy.

Thank you for the work you do to help our Pima County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects. With your help, Pima County will have a bond levy that not only improves the County's infrastructure, but also helps improve lives.

Sincerely,



Lisa Wade Humenik

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July 29, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chairman
Committee Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 West Congress, 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Chairman Hecker and Committee Members:

As you work to determine the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I want to tell you my opinions about projects that I believe are priorities for our community.

I am a volunteer tutor at and donor to Literacy Connects. I have seen firsthand the impact their research-based programs have on both children and adults. Our entire community benefits as their programs help children succeed in school and adults have a second chance at improving basic literacy skills and securing better jobs. In both cases our current and future workforce and economy are improved. Education strengthens our families and their futures.

JobPath has worked collaboratively with Literacy Connects for several years. They help hundreds of families every year move out of poverty and into training and the workforce. You can see the compelling connection between Literacy Connects and JobPath.

Both of these programs are constrained by their limited space. Both work for the betterment of the whole of Pima County. I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

I also support other projects that work for our common good in Pima County, such as Neighborhood Reinvestment and Affordable Housing. Both of these projects are vital to improving the vibrancy and health of our community.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond program, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy. Furthermore, I will spread the word to my colleagues and friends to support the levy.

Thank you for your work in helping the County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects. Through your work, Pima County will have a bond levy that improves the county's infrastructure and enriches the lives of our citizens.

Sincerely,



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July 31, 2013

Mr. Larry Hecker, Chair and
Other Members of the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee Members:

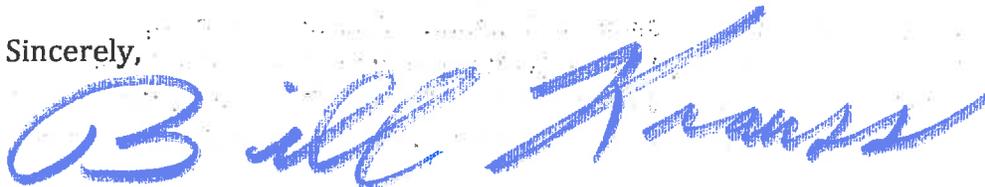
I made my living as a CEO coach/consultant—centered on the CEO Roundtable. (Larry, I think we visited on this many years ago.)

About 7 years ago I started doing similar coaching, *pro bono*, for the Executive Directors of small nonprofits on the premise that they do much with little. During the years I have worked closely with about two dozen small nonprofits including organizations like Casa de los Niños, Interfaith Community Services, Ben's Bells, Native Seed Search, Old Pueblo Community Services, The Community Foundation for Southern Arizona, and many others.

Several years ago I was approached by Social Venture Partners and asked to work for one of their "investees," **Literacy Volunteers of Tucson**. I declined stating I wanted my *pro bono* efforts used to help alleviate the conditions of those with the greatest problems in our community—poverty, homelessness, abuse, and hunger. Fortunately Social Venture Partners prevailed in educating me that raising literacy of all—especially those on the bottom rungs—helps solve all of our community's problems. In business terms, it attacks **both** the revenue and cost sides by raising revenue (jobs, tax collections, etc.) while lowering expense (crime, homelessness, unemployment, underemployment.)

I have given the bulk of my time and money, outside of the Executive Directors Roundtable, for the past many years to Literacy Connects. I know this organization is a **leverage point** that helps us with our community's many, many challenges. I understand the proposed County bond levee is considering funding a building for **Literacy Connects** and a partner, **Job Paths**. Please accept this communication as a strong endorsement for this choice—as well as a commitment to work long and hard to see that any subsequent bond issue is passed.

Sincerely,



William L. Krauss

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July 31, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

I am writing in support of funding for the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility. As a supporter and advocate for literacy for all children and adults in the Greater Tucson area, I am well aware of the tremendous benefits our community receives because of the tireless work of the Literacy Connects staff and volunteers. We need strong programs that enable adults to learn to read and to gain better jobs; we need strong programs that reach out to children and youth. AND we need links between those who enhance literacy and those who can get people into the workforce.

A building that would provide much needed space for JobPath and Literacy Connects would enable both organizations to establish an even closer working relationship than they now enjoy. I realize that every request for funding competes with every other request, but in this case funding would enable collaboration, synergy, and success in supporting those in our community who very much need our support.

Please consider and approve including this building in the 2014 Pima County bond. I will not only vote for the levy, I will campaign for others' votes. Thank you for considering my request and thank you for serving our community as Pima County Commissioners.

Sincerely,



Renée T. Clift



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Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

July 30, 2013

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

Through the upcoming 2014 Pima County Bond, our community has the chance to work towards projects which would positively impact our quality of life. We are writing to express our support for the inclusion of the Literacy Connects and Job Path Programs Facility in the 2014 Pima County Bond.

As Executive Director and Board Chair of a nonprofit funding and capacity building organization, we have worked very closely with Literacy Connects and their program Reading Seed. Our organization, Social Venture Partners (SVP), selected Reading Seed for investment for many reasons: they have measurable impact on student literacy in Tucson, they have a collaborative spirit, and they are eager to do more. But, what stood out most, what is a *core value* of our partnership of philanthropists, is the impact that Literacy Connects has in solving a root cause of poverty in our community.

SVP funds organizations which support the acquisition of life skills for our fellow Tucsonans. Our Partners then volunteer their professional skills to build the capacity of the organization to serve more people with greater quality. Our Partners were instrumental in forming the LC merger of 5 organizations, including Reading Seed and Literacy Volunteers of Tucson, and continue to work hard because they believe in the model, the vision, the people, and the potential for positive community impact.

Under one roof, Literacy Connects and Job Path will work towards alleviating a root cause of poverty for people of all ages in our community through programs which empower children and adults with the life skills to be successful, healthy and happy. That's where it starts.

It ends with making it a priority. An accessible, collaborative workspace for clients and staff would enable both Literacy Connects and Job Path, which have worked in successful collaboration for several years already, to benefit more citizens who need and desire the training and skills to survive, provide, and thrive.

We encourage you to also support: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. These projects likewise protect the public good and affirm the development of an environment which promotes community engagement and a higher quality of life.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, we will enthusiastically vote for the levy. Furthermore, we will spread the word to our partnership, colleagues and friends to also support the levy. Thank you for the time and effort that you have invested in serving our community through this committee and your efforts to make our city better.

Sincerely,



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July 30, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

I am writing today to express my support for the inclusion of the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package. Both Literacy Connects and JobPath provide education services that many Pima County residents (both adults and children) need to either avoid poverty or to move from poverty to a more sustainable financial situation.

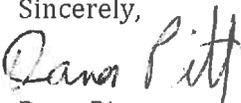
Pima County is a great place to live. However, our lack of a well educated work force creates a negative loop: an inadequate work force leads to a lack of employers offering good jobs, which leads to an inadequate tax and charitable giving base, which leads to a poorer, less educated community, which leads to a lack of a well educated work force. This loop threatens to irrevocably damage our home. Literacy Connects and JobPath, working together, can help break the cycle. And, Literacy Connects provides not only basic literacy programs, but also enrichment programs that can touch the lives of everyone in Pima County, regardless of one's education level. Literacy Connects and JobPath need more, better and more permanent space. The inclusion of a facility for these programs in the 2014 bond package would help ensure that everyone in our community has access to the education tools needed to build a successful and secure life.

In addition, I would like to voice support for the following potential 2014 bond projects: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. Education is a key to our well being, but we also must have vibrant, livable neighborhoods, good housing for all and appropriate care for and protection of our wonderful natural resources.

I would be proud to vote for and support a bond package that includes the projects discussed above.

Finally, I know that you have put in many, many hours of work on the bond committee. I know that there are too many worthy projects and not enough dollars, which will require you to make difficult decisions. I am sure it can be a thankless job. So, thank you for your efforts to make Pima County a better place for all of us.

Sincerely,



Dana Pitt

Support for the Literacy Connects and Job Path project

July 29, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

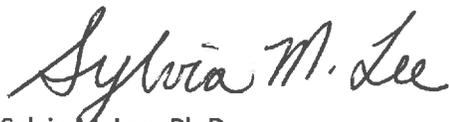
Dear Mr. Hecker and members of the Pima County Bond Advisory committee,

As a native Tucsonan, I know firsthand the poverty that has plagued Pima County as far back as I remember. A proposed bond project that will help two proven non-profit organizations that directly improve the lives of our county residents is the joint Literacy Connects and Job Path project. I am on the Board of Directors for Literacy Connects and I know that every year, hundreds of children and adults are helped by the Literacy Connects' research-based programs. Our entire community benefits as Literacy Connects helps kids succeed in school and helps adults improve literacy skills so they can get better jobs and their families can have a better quality of life. Job Path helps hundreds of families every year to move out of poverty and into workforce training and get a good job in our community. Job Path and Literacy Connects have worked collaboratively for several years. Both of these organizations fit well working together and both are being constrained by their very limited space. Literacy Connects is utilizing multiple rental facilities to house its programs because of space limitations and Job Path has the same issues in rented office space.

Another bond project that I support is the **Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands**. Each of these projects is vital to improving the vibrancy and health of our community.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy. Furthermore, I will spread the word to my colleagues and friends to also support the levy. Thank you for the work you do to help determine which of the proposed bond projects will be most beneficial to our community. With your help, Pima County will have a bond levy that not only improves the County's infrastructure, but also helps improve lives. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

As you work to determine the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I wanted to express to you my opinions for projects that I believe are priorities for our community. I am a volunteer, donor, and board member of Literacy Connects and have seen firsthand the impact their research-based programs have on both children and adults. Our entire community benefits as their programs help kids to succeed in school and help adults to have a second chance. All adults and children who seek assistance from Literacy Connects greatly desire to learn and become more involved in our community leading to improvements to both our workforce and economy. The community is a large supporter of Literacy Connects in that Literacy Connects also has over 1,000 volunteers – it is truly a grass roots effort to improve the education and condition of those in need in Tucson. JobPath has worked collaboratively with Literacy Connects for several years. They help hundreds of families every year to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce. Both of these organizations are being constrained by their limited space.

I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

Likewise, I strongly support other projects that, in my opinion, work for the common good and improve Pima County. I encourage you to also support: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. To me, each of these projects is vital to improving the vibrancy and health of our community.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy. Furthermore, I will spread the word to my colleagues and friends to also support the levy.

Thank you for the work you do to help our Pima County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects. With your help, Pima County will have a bond levy that not only improves the County's infrastructure, but also helps improve lives.

Sincerely,



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August 1, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

Since you are now considering the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I would like to express my opinion on the project that I believe is most important to our community. I am a volunteer with and donor to Literacy Connects and have volunteered with the joint program Literacy Connects has with Job Path. I have seen first hand the successes the students in this joint project have achieved, and as these individuals grow and develop our entire community benefits. We need a citizenship which can function successfully in the workforce and participate intelligently in the civic activities of our society. And an informed citizenship requires a citizenship which is literate.

But both of these organizations are being constrained by their limited space. I encourage you to include the Literacy Connects and Job Path Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

I also support other projects that work for the common good of our community. I encourage you to support Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands.

With these projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will vote for the levy and encourage my colleagues and friend to do the same.

Thank you for the work you do to help our Pima County Commissioners.

Sincerely,



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Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
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Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

As you work to determine the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I wanted to share with you my support for projects that my family and I believe are critically important to our community.

I am a supporter of Literacy Connects and a parent with school-aged children in public school. I have seen firsthand how their research-based programs have helped struggling and emergent readers succeed in school. As a member of the Literacy Connects' Advocacy Committee, I have also had the great fortune to work with adults who have been given a second chance at a promising future because of the programs and people this organization rally together. As a public education supporter and advocate, my work has enabled me to learn more about JobPath, which has worked collaboratively with Literacy Connects for several years. They help hundreds of families every year to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce. The vital work of these successful organizations is being constrained by their limited space. The collaborative work of both of these programs is critically important to ensure a strong and educated workforce, which will enhance and strengthen Pima County's economic sustainability.

I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

As a Tucson resident and property owner, I strongly support other projects that, in my opinion, work for the common good and improve Pima County. I encourage you to also support: Neighborhood Reinvestment, Affordable Housing, Community Open Space and Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. To me, each of these projects is vital to improving the vibrancy and health of our community and makes this a place I'm proud to raise my family.

With the above projects included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically advocate for this community enriching opportunity. I look forward to the opportunity to vote for the levy.

Thank you for the work you do to help our Pima County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects. Your oversight ensures Pima County will have a bond levy that not only improves the County's infrastructure and economic sustainability, but also helps improve lives.

Sincerely,



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Larry Hecker, Chair and Members

Pima County Bond Advisory Committee

130 W. Congress, 10th floor

Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee,

Thank you for all the time and effort you are expending in your work to determine which projects should be included in the 2014 Pima County bond. I serve on the board of Literacy Connects and have been involved for years in literacy programs for infants and families. The programs offered by Literacy Connects provide literacy services across the entire life spectrum and enable all of our clients to improve their lives by education. Most of our clients come to us looking for help and we, as an organization, should not turn them away. Our current working environment is terribly cramped and we cannot serve all who come to us and need our services. JobPath is in a similar situation in that their clients come to them for help, looking for work and skills to attain work. Our organizations have worked together in a collaborative manner for year to help individuals and families gain the skills they need to succeed and move forward in school and in the work force. These two organizations do an incredible job to help those who most need and want help in our county.

Please consider the proposed Literacy Connects and JobPath program facility in the 2014 bond levy. We are currently doing all we can to promote literacy and job skills for those in need in Pima County. We could do more, but need more space to do so.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "ME Cochran, M.D." in a cursive style.

Mary E. Cochran, M.D., M.P.H.

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, CAZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and committee:

As you plan upcoming projects for the 2014 Pima County bond, I just wanted to inform you of my views that I believe are important priorities in our community. I have attended Literacy Connects for 2 years and they have changed my life. I am now a tutor helping other students. I have benefited greatly from the help given to me by Literacy Connects and I believe our community benefits as well as their programs help kids to succeed in school and give adults a second chance to learn to read and get their GED. JobPath, who has worked with Literacy Connects for several years, has helped hundreds of families to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce every year. Both organizations work to help improve Pima County and both of these organizations are confined by their limited space.

I implore you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

There are many other projects that are also necessary to improving the vitality and health of our community that I support. In addition I encourage you to support the following: Affordable Housing, Neighborhood Reinvestment, Community Open Space, Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands. I believe these projects also work for the common good and help to improve Pima County.

Not only will I eagerly vote for the 2014 Pima County Bond levy with the above projects included, but I will actively extend the word to my friends, family, and associates to also support the levy.

In closing, I would like to thank each of you for the hard work that you do in assisting our Pima County Commissioners evaluate all of the proposed bond projects. With your support, Pima County will have a bond levy that will help improve lives, and improve the County's infrastructure.

Sincerely,
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August 1, 2013

Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 West Congress, 10th Fl.
Tucson AZ 85701

Atte: Larry Hecker, Chair
Re: Priorities

Dear Larry:

Looking for the best bang for the buck, Literacy Connects is at the top of my list of local projects worthy of your consideration for funding. That entity tackles this Community's greatest need head on---harnessing the people of this County to live up to their maximum potential. Literacy Connects and Job Path, jointly, will return ten fold.

I look forward to getting behind the 2014 bond drive and hope that you will include the funding requests for both Literacy Connects and Job Path.

Having recently retired from my law practice, I have a renewed respect for the work that you do to make our community alive and vital. Thank you.

Cordially,


Kate McMillan

P.O. Box 733

Tucson AZ 85702

August 1, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee,

As you work to determine the projects to be included in the 2014 Pima County bond, I would like to take this opportunity to express to you my opinions for projects that I feel that would be beneficial to our community and respectfully ask that you and your committee consider these projects as priorities in your decision-making. I am a volunteer and donor of Literacy Connects. It has been so inspiring to see up close Literacy Connects' well run operation and the impact their research-based programs have on both children and adults. These programs help children to succeed in school and help adults to have a second chance. This of course will benefit our community with improved human resources required to support our current and future workforce and improve our economic growth. Additionally, to help this journey to improve our community, JobPath and Literacy Connects has worked collaboratively for several years, to help hundreds of families every year to move out of poverty and into training and the workforce. Sadly, both of these organizations are being constrained by their limited space. These organizations are committed to working for the betterment of Pima County and I urge you to include the Literacy Connects and JobPath Programs Facility in the 2014 bond package.

In addition to the above, there are many other projects that I support and strongly believe will work for the common good to help improve Pima County. Therefore I encourage you to also support the following projects that I feel are crucial for our community's sustainability and health:

- Neighborhood Reinvestment
- Affordable Housing
- Community Open Space
- Habitat Protection Priorities and Associated Lands

With the inclusion of these important projects in the 2014 Pima County bond, I will enthusiastically vote for the levy and ask that my associates and friends also support the levy.

I would like to thank you and your committee for giving your valuable time as volunteers to help our Pima County Commissioners vet all of the proposed bond projects. I am confident that your efforts will result in Pima County having a bond levy that will improve the County and the lives of its citizens as well.

Sincerely,



Lillian Brantley
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August 2, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Re: 2014 Pima County Bond

Dear Larry and Committee:

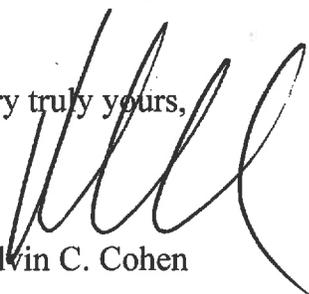
I write in support of the request by Literacy Connects for the 2014 Pima County Bonds. For many years I have been involved with and supported Reading Seed, now Literacy Connects. Literacy Connects has over 1000 volunteers who act to positively change our community's future. In order to have a viable workforce, that workforce needs to be educated. Literacy Connects has proven successful in improving child and adult literacy.

Literacy Connects delivers services through a wide range of neighborhood facilities, but needs its own home.

I request that the committee support providing a home for Literacy Connects and the Job Path programs on the 2014 Bond package.

Should you desire any information about Literacy Connects and Job Path, we would be happy to oblige.

Very truly yours,


Melvin C. Cohen

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c: Betty Stauffer

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REMEMBERING
January 8th
"Together we thrive"

June 10, 2013

Mr. Lawrence Hecker
Chairman, Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
Hecker & Muehlebach
405 W Franklin
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Chairman Hecker,

January 8, 2011 is a day etched into the consciousness of all Pima County residents. It is a day we all remember, a day of unbearable sadness and senseless tragedy. We also remember our community's amazing response to what happened that day, the spontaneous memorials and the countless expressions of solidarity. The shooting that took place two and a half years ago at Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords' "Congress on Your Corner" broke our hearts. The outpouring of good will that followed it reminded us how fortunate we are to live in a community like ours.

The January 8 Memorial Foundation was created in March 2012 with representatives from the first responders, the University Medical Center, community organizations, family members who lost loved ones, former members of Congresswoman Giffords' staff and victims of the shooting. We are a non-profit 501c3 organization whose primary mission is to develop a permanent memorial to what happened on January 8, 2011 and our community's response to those events.

Since the Foundation was formed, we have conducted planning workshops for survivors, facilitated anniversary activities, maintained the memorial archives and held monthly work sessions to discuss memorial planning concepts. This process has shaped our vision for a memorial – a vision that begins with the fundamental obligation to remember the six people killed and 13 people shot and on January 8. We strongly believe, however, that an enduring tribute to the lives altered and lost must also:

- Acknowledge the incredible community response;
- Honor the first-responders and medical professionals;
- Collect and exhibit photographs and other memorabilia;
- Create a place for civic dialogue and healing events; and
- Celebrate the democratic principles at the root of the "Congress on Your Corner"

Mindful of these objectives, we have been working with Pima County and the City of Tucson to explore potential site locations for a January 8 permanent memorial. We are particularly excited by a possibility that was recently introduced to us: the Old Pima County Courthouse. Our Foundation can think of no better place for a memorial to a historic event that tore at the heart of our community than this iconic structure that symbolizes the historic heart of Tucson.

For 84 years, the Old Courthouse has stood as a gracious symbol of our representative democracy. The voices of elected leaders and ordinary citizens alike have for generations resonated within its famous pink walls. In many ways, the Old Courthouse serves as a gateway to our local governments. Our Foundation believes that locating a January 8 memorial in such a building would be a fitting way to recognize the constitutional rights of free speech and assembly that compelled our neighbors to attend Congresswoman Giffords' "Congress on Your Corner."

The historic Old County Courthouse could be a place that can transcend the tragedy of January 8 in a setting that celebrates our local democratic ideals and unites our local governmental institutions. We envision creating a setting that would create a new opportunity for citizens to engage in civic discourse and visit exhibit space that would tell the story of how a community was affected and how citizens responded to the events of January 8. Some of these exhibits could include:

- Video displays of stories told by survivors, first responders and medical personnel;
- Photos of the temporary memorial sites and other photos;
- Six biographical memorials to honor those who lost their lives;
- Some of the more prominent artifacts and artistic pieces being stored in archives; and
- Public art and landscape design inspired by the memorial items.

We want to start a dialogue with your committee to help define a vision for our community and to explore partnerships to support our vision. Pima County Bonds could be one funding opportunity, but our Board will also pursue other funding partners including federal appropriations and private donations.

On behalf of our Foundation Board, we look forward to continuing this dialogue and to your suggestions for realizing the important task of creating a January 8 memorial for all of Pima County.

Sincerely,



Stephen Brigham
President of the January 8 Memorial Foundation Board of Directors
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Tucson, AZ 85717-0355
<http://tucsonj8.org/>

CC:

Chuck Huckelberry, Pima County Administrator
Nicole Fyffe, Executive Assistant to the County Administrator



**PIMA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND
NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT**

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June 14, 2013

Larry Hecker
Chairman
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
C/o Nicole Fyffe
County Administrator's Office
130 W. Congress, 10th Floor
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Re: Support for Committee's original \$30 million recommendation for affordable housing

Dear Mr. Hecker and Members of the Bond Advisory Committee:

On behalf of the Pima County Housing Commission, I am requesting that the Bond Advisory Committee not reduce the original \$30M recommendation for affordable housing bonds in Pima County's next general obligation bond election.

The Pima County Housing Commission was created in 2004 to oversee the voter-approved bonds for affordable housing as well as to assist the Board of Supervisors in developing and implementing policies that increase homeownership and improve the quality of housing for residents of Pima County. We take our job very seriously, and the majority of us have worked together with county staff to ensure the success of this program.

We believe the full amount is needed to meet the housing needs of low and moderate-income families of Pima County. Although the housing market is starting to show signs of recovering, we still have a long way to go. Housing is an essential component to the slow but steady economic recovery.

One good example of this is Habitat for Humanity's Corazon Del Pueblo subdivision of 393 entry-level or affordable homes for working-class families. A mixed-income environmentally-friendly neighborhood of both market-rate and subsidized homes – with such amenities as three neighborhood parks, walking paths, and a bike-path – Corazon del Pueblo was built-out in partnership with 5 local for-profit homebuilders and Habitat. The \$1.1 million dollars in General Obligation bonds not only ensured the build-out of

common-area infrastructure in the neighborhood, it also helped to leverage an additional \$45 million in capital to build-out the neighborhood and the homes.

That capital came from a variety of sources, including the local private sector, the philanthropic sector, and millions of dollars in Federal grants that might just as easily have gone to another community. Additionally, the build-out of the subdivision created an estimated 552 construction jobs, and an estimated 100 post-construction jobs across the community.

The 2011-2012 Pima County Housing Bond Program Annual Report describes how the 1997 and 2004 bond authorizations totaling \$15M have been successful in providing significant capital for improving, preserving, and expanding affordable housing opportunities throughout Pima County while providing jobs that are vital to our economic recovery. The Bond Performance Audit you recently received for our program will illustrate the property tax revenue generated on the new developments using the General Obligation Bond Funds for Affordable Housing program.

The need for affordable housing remains strong, as affordable housing is a foundational human service with a solid record of accomplishment of beneficial economic impact in our local community. The HOME federal funds received by Pima County and used for affordable housing have been cut by 45% since 2010. Public investment in our community's housing infrastructure leverages other financial investment from other sectors of the economy and creates jobs, while also providing hard-working families with the opportunity to pursue the American dream and contribute to the health and well-being of their local economy.

At a pre- application meeting held Monday, June 12, 2013 to explain a new funding availability notice totaling \$750,000.00 for new bond projects, there were 21 potential applicants attendance. This is a good indicator of the need and demand for affordable housing in Pima County.

In conclusion, the Pima County Housing Commission strongly supports keeping the approved amount of \$30M for housing on the proposed 2014 Pima County General Obligation Bond Election that will continue to stimulate our local affordable housing market, attract additional capital, and create much-needed jobs in our community.

Respectfully,

Frank Thomson
Pima County Housing Commissioner, on behalf of the entire Housing Commission.

Cc: Hank Atha, Deputy County Administrator
Margaret Kish, Director
Betty Villegas, Housing Program Manager

Deseret Romero

From: Carol Shinsky <cashinsky@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2013 8:36 PM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Open Space Bond Program

One of the most important aspects of Pima County government is the open space bond program.

Pima County's Conservation Acquisition Commission has recommended \$285 million on the next bond package vote and I support their recommendation.

I have resided in this county for over 40 years. I work and play in an area that has set a high standard for quality living. Going forward with a positive agenda promoting open space, eco-tourism and vibrant clean industry is a standard worth supporting.

I have been dedicating all my time for the last seven years to stopping the Rosemont Copper project. A plan will be formulated to acquire the Rosemont property and develop the Santa Rita Regional Park system.

Funds will be needed for a myriad of recreational sites and open space preservation. The voters of southern Arizona, and Pima County specifically have been very supportive of these bond packages. I urge you to support a fully funded bond package. The citizens of this county deserve no less.

Thank you.

Gregory C. Shinsky
Board of Directors
Save the Scenic Santa Ritas

Deseret Romero

From: Carol Shinsky <cashinsky@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2013 4:33 PM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Open Space Bond Program

Please count me as a voice in support of a fully funded open space bond program. Our Sonoran Desert is a rare and greatly endangered ecosystem. It is also the reason for the millions of dollars that tourism brings in to our county and local businesses. I applaud Pima County and the City of Tucson for past efforts to preserve our open spaces and the 2004 Open Space Bond Program that was overwhelmingly approved by voters shows that the majority of citizens are in support of these efforts.

There is so much more that needs to be done and I encourage this committee to fully fund the open space bond program so that Pima County continues to grow while preserving what makes this such an exceptional place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,
Carol Shinsky
15791 E. Hillton Ranch Road
Vail, Arizona 85641

June 13, 2013

Larry Hecker, Chair
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th floor
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee members:

I am writing to urge the maximum bond funding for Habitat Protection Priorities and Community Open Space. The Pima County Conservation Acquisition Committee recommended \$285 million in bond funding to secure open space lands and I urge you to support that recommendation.

There are economic advantages to preserving open space and protecting natural areas. The November 2012 report by Headwaters Economics, *West is Best, How Public Lands in the West Create a Competitive Economic Advantage*, states "Entrepreneurs and talented workers are choosing to work where they can enjoy outdoor recreation and natural landscapes." Our county, state and federal protected lands are some of our most valuable assets.

In addition, open space lands provide climate change mitigation as the soils and plants absorb carbon every day. With Arizona heating up every year, maintaining a zone of protected open space land around the metropolitan area is very important.

A number of areas are high priority to purchase with bond funds. These include parcels in the Santa Catalina – Tortolita wildlife corridor, the Rosemont Ranch property, property adjacent to Catalina State Park, land in the Upper Santa Cruz river area and south Altar valley and the Painted Hills property. Timing is everything, and once a piece of land is bladed and degraded, it cannot be restored.

Pima County residents have a deep appreciation for the Sonoran Desert, the Sky Island mountain ranges, the river valleys and the oak woodlands that surround us. We vote for conservation time and again.

Again, I urge that the Committee adopt the recommendation of the Pima County Conservation Acquisition Committee and fully fund the \$285 million bond fund request.

Sincerely,

Melanie Mizell
Consultant
4225 E. Fairmount St.
Tucson, AZ 85712

Deseret Romero

From: john decoville <john_decoville@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2013 10:34 AM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Bond funds for Open Space preservation

Dear Bobnd Study committee:

What is up for preservation through purchase?

Are the potential lands listed on the County's website?

I intend to participate and would like to know the scope of this enterprise both for lands and for the marshalled financial resources.

Thank you very much,

John R. deCOVILLE
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Larry Hecker
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee Chairman
County Administrator's Office
130 West Congress, 10th Floor
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Dear Chairman Hecker,

My name is Laura Acosta and I am a 15 year resident of Sahuarita and a Commissioner on the Parks and Recreation Commission for the Town of Sahuarita. I will be unable to attend the rescheduled Bond meeting as I will be out of town, however I did want to share my thoughts on the importance of using the bond funds (which my family voted for) to enhance the needs of our community.

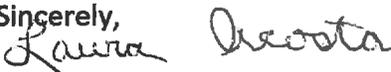
I moved to Sahuarita when it was a population of 3,000, little did we know this town would explode with homes and population today of approximately 26,000. As a result, we have not been able to keep up with the needs of this community, especially in the Parks and Recreation area. We are in desperate need of lighted sports fields and enhancements of Quail Creek – Veterans Municipal Park and North Santa Cruz Park.

I have sat through numerous meeting with our community sports organizations in attendance complaining they do not have the appropriate fields to have their expanding organizations practice. It's a constant battle trying to accommodate all their needs, which unfortunately cannot be accommodated, due to lack of facilities.

I am an original member of the Commission and was actively involved in the needs of the expansion of Anamax Park. I must tell you that this community is in desperate need of the Anamax expansion, which includes a recreational swimming pool and indoor gymnasium.

As a Commissioner and resident I continue to receive many complaints and concerns from our residents about the lack of sports fields (lighted) and fitness and swimming pool. Due to the diversity of our community these amenities are greatly needed.

I thank you for your time and anticipate that our needs will be heard and supported.

Sincerely,


Laura Acosta
Town of Sahuarita Parks and Recreation Commissioner
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Larry Hecker, Chairman, and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress, 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Pima County Bond Advisory Committee Members:

Reid Park Zoological Society is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting, advocating for and enhancing the value of Reid Park Zoo for the community. We strongly support the Reid Park Zoo Hippo Exhibit which was submitted by the City of Tucson as one of Parks and Recreation Department's proposed projects. It is part of the updated Master Plan approved by Mayor and Council. This project meets the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee's established priorities.

Pima County residents make the most of the educational and recreational features of Reid Park Zoo. This project is vital to Pima County bond funding because it supports the high quality visitor and education experiences that our community deserves in its Zoo. It will reach a wide cross-section of the community and will provide educational experiences to children and adults of all ages as they learn about conservation and connect with wildlife.

The Reid Park Zoo and the Nile Hippo Exhibit is supported by the public in Pima County.

Reid Park Zoological Society has presented this project to the Zoo's constituents through multiple channels including e-mail, social media, website, print magazine, public meetings and individual meetings with potential donors. As we have participated in this process, we have received very supportive comments and pledges of support. Here are some statistics that demonstrate the public's support:

- Reid Park Zoo had a record over 607,000 visitors last year.
- Reid Park Zoological Society has over 12,000 member households representing approximately 75,000 members.
- Reid Park Zoo has over 20,000 followers on social media.
- Reid Park Zoo's website has up to 100,000 pageviews monthly.

Reid Park Zoo is enjoyed by residents throughout Pima County

Reid Park Zoo serves primarily Pima County although we also serve outlying areas such as Sierra Vista and Nogales. A survey of our membership households shows that 90% of our memberships are with Pima County residents with approximately two-thirds of those located within the limits of the City of Tucson and one-third outside City limits. School visits are from throughout Pima County including Marana, Oro Valley, Vail, and Sahuarita. Reid Park Zoo is truly a regional attraction.

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Reid Park Zoological Society is committed to leveraging bond funds to make this project a success

Reid Park Zoological Society has demonstrated success in fundraising for the Conservation Learning Center and Expedition Tanzania, the new elephant habitat, raising over \$7 million for these projects. The Society has a proven fundraising track record and has a dedicated board and professional staff backing the fundraising for this project. This combination of public funding and private funding from the Zoo's strong donor base will make this a success.



The capital campaign committee of the Reid Park Zoological Society has begun the development of case statements, meeting with potential major funders and development of timelines to be met for fundraising. A professional marketing campaign will be in place for the public phase which will bring the entire community across the County together to complete this exhibit. Bond funding will be key to make this happen.

Reid Park Zoo is a key resource for educators and students.

Over 24,000 students visited Reid Park Zoo as part of a field trip. Teachers take part in workshops learning how to use the Zoo as a science resource with grants offered to include a curriculum developed with teachers and a trip to the Zoo with hands-on learning experiences. The Nile Hippo exhibit will feature extensive educational exhibits to engage students to learn scientific skills in observation, science and conservation.

Our mission is conservation.

A key part of the Zoo's mission is to educate the public about conservation and sustainability. We set an example with our Conservation Learning Center, rated LEED platinum and our solar powered Elephant Center. As a part of the educational exhibits in the Nile Hippo exhibit, a key component will be conservation education both in the wild and what can be done at home.

The Hippo Exhibit is part of Reid Park Zoo's Updated Master Plan.

This is part of a carefully phased, planned capital improvement to continue to provide the best Zoo for Pima County. Located approximately where the old elephant exhibit was, this will be completed as one of the first phases along with the Animal Health Center for which we are seeking private funding. Construction will begin as Pima County Bond support and other resources are secured.

Support for Operations and Maintenance for a major exhibit.

The City of Tucson provides support for Operations and Maintenance. Increased attendance from a major exhibit such as this will provide a funding source. Reid Park Zoological Society will continue to provide support to meet Zoo goals through creative partnering.

Thank you for your consideration of this exciting new exhibit for the residents of Pima County.

Sincerely,


Denice Shepherd
Capital Campaign Chair


Nancy Schlegel
President

Deseret Romero

From: Sloane Haywood <sloane.haywood@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 06, 2013 6:12 AM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Open Space Bond Support

Larry Hecker, Chair
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W Congress St., 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Chairman Hecker,

I'm writing to advocate for a fully-funded open space bond program. This is a project that supports a higher-quality of life for all species.

Thank you for including my view in your decision.

Sincerely,
Sloane Haywood
707 S. 6th Ave
Tucson, AZ 85701

Larry Hecker, Chair
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W Congress St., 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701
[electronic submission to bondinfo@pima.gov]

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee Members,

I support a fully funded open space bond program, including the maximum funding for *Habitat Protection Priorities* and *Community Open Space*. Our community supports open space preservation. The 2004 Open Space Bond Program was approved by Pima County voters by an overwhelming 2-to-1 margin. The approval and diligent use of these funds has protected saguaro studded hillsides in the Tucson Mountains, canyon lands in the Tortolita Mountains, unique riparian lands near Cienega Creek and the Brawley Wash, desert grasslands in the southeast area of the County, the rolling hills of the Altar Valley, and much more.

More needs to be done, as our region continues to grow and open space continues to disappear. We know that vast tracts of biologically valuable open space in Pima County *still need protection*. Pima County's Conservation Acquisition Commission, the body responsible for recommending purchases of open space, recommended that **\$285 million** be allocated in the next bond package to purchase important habitat.

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Protecting critical open space from development preserves the values of the Sonoran Desert that attract people and industries to our region and provides residents with quality lives. Protecting strategic open spaces and habitat reduces community costs because undeveloped land does not require expensive public services and infrastructure such as police, firemen, schools, utilities, and roads. Protected open space is critical to the landmark Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan; open space is essential for wildlife habitat, for the region's biological diversity, for wildlife connections between habitat areas, and for quality drinking water.

I respectfully encourage you to support a fully funded open space bond program. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Rich and Diana Spiegel
Pima County Residents

Deseret Romero

From: Bettina Bickel <bbickel08@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 05, 2013 2:27 PM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Please protect Pima County open space

Larry Hecker, Chair

Pima County Bond Advisory Committee

130 W Congress St., 10th Floor

Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee Members,

As a visitor to Pima County and someone who cares about the Sonoran desert and its unique wildlife, I believe Pima County's open space is one of its greatest assets and urge you to support a fully funded open space bond program, including the maximum funding for *Habitat Protection Priorities* and *Community Open Space*. Pima County residents support open space preservation. The 2004 Open Space Bond Program was approved by Pima County voters by an overwhelming 2-to-1 margin. The approval and diligent use of these funds has protected saguaro studded hillsides in the Tucson Mountains, canyon lands in the Tortolita Mountains, unique riparian lands near Cienega Creek and the Brawley Wash, desert grasslands in the southeast area of the County, the rolling hills of the Altar Valley, and much more.

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Sincerely,
Bettina Bickel
9218 N. 51st Dr.
Glendale, AZ 85302

Deseret Romero

From: Bob Gilby <bgilby@cox.net>
Sent: Wednesday, June 05, 2013 6:47 PM
To: bondinfo
Subject: I support a fully funded open space bond program

Larry Hecker, Chair

Pima County Bond Advisory Committee

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Tucson, AZ 85701

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I respectfully encourage you to support a fully funded open space bond program.

Sincerely,

Bob Gilby

Deseret Romero

From: Thomas Wiewandt <tom@wildhorizons.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 06, 2013 11:36 PM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Funding for the Open Space Bond Program

Larry Hecker, Chair
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W Congress St., 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee Members,

I'm pleased to live in a community that adamantly embraces the preservation of desert lands as open space. Please help us by backing a fully funded open space bond program, with maximum funding for Habitat Protection Priorities and Community Open Space. As you know, the Open Space Bond Program was enthusiastically approved by Pima Co. voters in 2004, and I'm impressed by how wisely these funds have been spent for habitat protection in our area. But this is not enough.

Vast tracts of biologically precious open space in Pima County remain unprotected; and pressures from population growth will continue to rise in the months/years ahead. The economy is recovering, and we must act NOW. Our county's Conservation Acquisition Commission, the key oversight group, has determined that \$285 million should be allocated in the next bond package to purchase unprotected habitat essential for the aesthetic and recreational integrity of our community and the well-being of native flora & fauna.

Some areas of critical importance are already "standing in line" for acquisition. These include open space in the Upper Santa Cruz and Southern Altar Valley Reserve, the completion of Santa Catalina-Tortolita wildlife corridor north of Oro Valley, the Rosemont ranch property, the Painted Hills tract between West Speedway and Anklam Rd., and an expansion for Catalina State Park. Yet, the total amount now included in the Community Open Space bond program is only \$10 million, a tiny share of what our current needs require.

We need a fully funded open space bond program. Waiting will make the necessary land acquisitions impossible or prohibitively expensive in the years ahead. Being proactive now will allow us to protect the quality of life that we enjoy in Pima County. Encouraging development will simply increase costly demands for better roads and public services. Our natural wonders enrich the lives of those of us who reside here and help to attract high caliber people and clean industries. And protecting open space will allow our nationally acclaimed Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan to fulfill its mission, e.g. to provide open space for our region's biodiversity, to provide wildlife corridors between important habitat areas, and to help manage our water resources wisely.

Please support a fully funded open space bond program.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas

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I respectfully encourage you to support a fully funded open space bond program.

Sincerely,
Mary Sheeley
Oro Valley, AZ

Thank you!

Deseret Romero

From: David P. Kelly <davidpkelly@earthlink.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 08, 2013 3:05 PM
To: bondinfo
Cc: Carolyn Campbell
Subject: Saving open space

Dear Pima County Bond Advisory Committee,

I am writing to request that you fully fund the open space bond program. I am well aware that money is tight and you have many people and causes tugging at your sleeves saying "Pick me! Pick me!" but I think that open space deserves first crack at the resources available.

All your other constituencies are worthy causes but the Sonoran desert habitat is the only one that will last forever. Buy it, preserve it, you're done. It'll never need to be repaved or renovated. The environment is also different from the others in that it is the only cause that cannot fund itself. The desert can't hold a bake sale.

But the desert does create money for others. I'm sure you're all aware of the studies that point out that a solid majority of all political factions support environmental preservation and protection.

We Arizonans, including newbies like myself, love our desert and its critters. So do seekers of recreation and solitude and hummingbirds who come from far and wide. And they bring money. Lots of it - which can help fund your other constituencies.

One recent study states that 91% of westerners believe that public lands are an essential part of their state's economy. So my plea is this - fund open space - preserve everything. The extremists will rant and rave but their children will thank you later. The rest of us will thank you now. So "Thank you" in advance.

The best thing about conserving the natural environment is that all we have to do is - not screw it up.

David P Kelly

**8201 E Placita Del Oso
Tucson, AZ,m 85750
520-722-1541**

June 12, 2013

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee Members,

Tucson Mountains Association strongly urges the Committee to support a fully funded open space bond program, including the maximum funding for *Habitat Protection Priorities* and *Community Open Space*.

As our region continues to grow, protection of open space becomes more urgent. Pima County's Conservation Acquisition Commission has recommended that **\$285 million** be allocated in the next bond package to purchase important habitat. We understand that this amount of funding may not be attainable in this upcoming bond, and that there are many competing needs for a \$600 million total bond package. However, it is clear that the need is substantial. Purchasing natural open space is always a smart investment: you only have to buy it once, and do not have to upgrade and renovate it every few years!

Tucson Mountains Association does substantial outreach to our more than 400 members on issues related to conservation and sustainable land use, and has been very active in helping to ensure passage of the bonds. As you know, the open space bond was the highest vote getter among General Obligation bonds in the 2004 bond election.

There are many areas that require protection. As the residents association of record in the Tucson Mountains, we are particularly concerned about protection of important riparian areas, wildlife habitat, and community open space, such as Painted Hills and expansion of Catalina State Park, and completion of the Santa Catalina-Tortolita wildlife corridor north of Oro Valley.

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Our community needs and deserves a fully funded open space bond program.

Preserving and protecting the fragile ecosystem of our Sonoran Desert is part of the mission of the Tucson Mountains Association, and is a value shared by the great majority of Pima County residents.

We respectfully encourage you to support a fully funded open space bond program.

Sincerely,

Ivy Schwartz
President, Tucson Mountains Association

Deseret Romero

From: Ken Bierman <kbierman1@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2013 2:50 PM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Open Space Bond Program

DATE: June 12, 2013

TO: Larry Hecker, Chair, Pima County Bond Advisory Committee

FROM: Kenneth & JoAnn Bierman, 2926 N. Mountain Creek Way, Tucson AZ 85745-7004
Phone: 520-882-2708 Email: kbierman1@gmail.com

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee Members,

We support a fully funded open space bond program, including the maximum funding for Habitat Protection Priorities and Community Open Space. Tucson supports open space preservation as a high priority as demonstrated by the overwhelming passage of the 2004 Open Space Bond Program.

While much has been accomplished, so much more needs to be done. Protecting critical open space from development preserves the values of the Sonoran Desert that attract people and industries to our region and helps provide residents with quality lives.

We respectfully encourage you to support a fully funded open space bond program.

Sincerely,

Ken and JoAnn Bierman

Deseret Romero

From: keith kleber <kekleb@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2013 9:43 AM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Habitat Protection Priorities & Community Open Space

Larry Hecker, Chair
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W Congress St., 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701
[electronic submission to bondinfo@pima.gov]

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I respectfully encourage you to support a fully funded open space bond program.

Sincerely,

Keith Kleber
8935 N Scenic Dr
Tucson, AZ 85743

Deseret Romero

From: Jan Johnson <jancntry@triconet.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2013 11:50 AM
To: bondinfo
Subject: Open Space Properties For Inclusion in Future Bond Package

Larry Hecker, Chair
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W. Congress St. 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Re: Open Space Properties For Inclusion in Future Bond Package

Dear Chair Hecker and Committee Members:

Your meeting, to be held June 14, 2013, is important for Pima County's future. One of the most important items is "Open Space"—parcels to surround our communities and be included within our County. This fact has already been shown by many comments of people who have come to reside in our County because of the "natural openness" due to preservation of "Open Space". That is from the Human level. The mute response is seen by the natural plants and vegetation and "critters" who live among us and are appreciated by most of our population. To keep the uniqueness of Pima County (as opposed to other densely populated areas), it is imperative to have "Open Space" throughout our County.

It is important to have fully funded the Open Space Bond Package that you have in your possession. The Pima County Conservation Acquisition Commission spent many hours choosing and putting together parcels from willing sellers that are important to preserve. The parcels that contain Habitat Protection along with Open Space that were chosen by the above CAC some time ago, would amount to approximately \$285 million, the amount of the Package mentioned above. Since that time, other parcels of land that WILL be very important to preserve for the benefit of Pima County are parcels in the Upper Santa Cruz and Southern Altar Valley, Santa Catalina/Tortolita Wildlife Corridor, Rosemont Ranch, Painted Hills, and possible expansion of Catalina State Park, a very valuable asset to Pima County.

Remember, "undeveloped land" does not require extensive or expensive public services and infrastructure. Also, having Open Space is critical to Pima County's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan.

It also helps with giving all of us some good drinking water.

Sincerely,

Jan Johnson
Chair, Pima County Parks and Recreation Commission
Vice-chair, Pima County Conservation Acquisition Commission

Larry Hecker, Chair
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 W Congress St., 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

bondinfo@pima.gov

Dear Mr. Hecker and Committee Members,

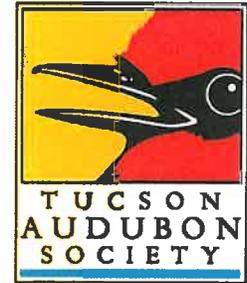
On behalf of Tucson Audubon, a 501(c)(3) non-profit established in Tucson in 1949 and representing around 5000 active supporters, we ask you to provide our community with a fully-funded Open Space Bond Program. We would like to see the maximum possible funding for *Habitat Protection Priorities* and *Community Open Space*.

As you know, our County's residents strongly support the preservation of open space, as evidenced by the fact that Pima County voters approved the 2004 Open Space Bond Program by a decisive margin of two to one. For Tucson Audubon, this has led to critical protection of riparian areas around Cienega Creek and the Brawley Wash, the desert grasslands to the southeast, the canyons of the Tortolitas, and those amazing saguaro vistas of the Tucson Mountains, to name just a few.

What is alarming is that so much more land needs protection. We know that as more areas come up for development, we lose more and more open space, the special nature of which attracts people here, and is an important part of the economic development that comes from wildlife recreation (details at end).

I understand that Pima County's Conservation Acquisition Commission, the body responsible for recommending purchases of open space, recommends that **\$285 million** be allocated in the next bond package to purchase important habitat.

- We need **\$80 million** to acquire important open space in the Upper Santa Cruz and Southern Altar Valley Reserve.
- We need **\$10 million** to complete the Santa Catalina-Tortolita wildlife corridor north of Oro Valley.
- The community intends to preserve the Rosemont ranch property, which sold for more than **\$20 million** in 2005



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- Important riparian areas, wildlife habitat, and community open space including Painted Hills (appraised value up to \$14 million) and an expansion for Catalina State Park need to be acquired.

I understand that the funds included in the *Community Open Space* bond program are just \$10 million. So Painted Hills could become the only community open space parcel that could be acquired over the next 10–15 years.

Pima County deserves a fully funded open space bond program because protecting open space from development is the only way to preserve the unique character of the Sonoran Desert that attracts people and industries to our region and provides residents with a certain quality of life.

We all know and understand that undeveloped land does not require expensive public services and infrastructure such as police, fire services, schools, utilities, and roads, and so protecting carefully planned and selected natural open spaces our community costs are reduced.

Open space under permanent protection is essential to many programs in our region, including the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, in which Tucson Audubon has been and remains a key player. Such preservation, as would be supported by the Open Space Bond Program, will retain threatened wildlife habitat, improve our region's biological diversity, provide linkages for several important species, and contribute to our economy.

New data reported this month in the new Arizona analysis of 2011 US Fish & Wildlife Service data, commissioned by Tucson Audubon, (*Economic Contributions of Wildlife Viewing to the Arizona Economy: A County-Level Analysis, Southwick Associates, June 2013*) reveal that wildlife recreation in Pima County, for which open space is an essential first component, had a total economic impact of \$215 million. It contributed more than \$14 million in local taxes, and supported nearly 2000 jobs in the county.

If we want to grow this sustainable Golden Goose, a fully funded open space bond program is worthy of your support.

Sincerely,



Dr Paul Green
Executive Director | Tucson Audubon



Christina McVie
Conservation Chair | Tucson Audubon

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September 2, 2013

To: Supervisor Bronson, Pima County Board of Supervisors;
Members of the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee; and
Mr. Chuck Huckelberry, Pima County Administrator

Regarding: **Proposed Bond Project -- Altar Valley Watershed Restoration Project (PR 262)**

We are writing today to urge your continued support of the Altar Valley Watershed Restoration Project (PR 262) as an integral component of the next Pima County bond proposal. This project is a unique and valuable public works project for our region that integrates flood control measures with environmental restoration. The project would occur on and adjacent to Pima County Conservation Land System holdings that are critical for meeting the needs of both the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan (SDCP) and the Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP).

The Altar Valley Watershed Restoration Project (PR 262) would develop a comprehensive watershed restoration plan, and provide start-up construction funding, for restoration of the highly eroded Altar Wash. The project area encompasses the headwaters of the Altar Watershed, just north of the border near Sasabe, Arizona, and heads north about 45 miles to the intersection of the Altar Wash and Highway 86 (Ajo Highway), just west of Three Points. The Altar Wash and many of its tributaries are deeply incised in numerous areas, such that the flood plain has been lost or degraded. Water thus races downstream, carrying soil and water resources to locations where they become a nuisance, rather than holding them farther upstream where they are a vital resource. The general purpose of this project is to begin rebuilding the natural floodplain characteristics of the Altar Wash watershed to maximize watershed stability and wildlife habitat potential in the headwaters of this river system. This upstream watershed work will decrease the intensity and volume of downstream water flows and associated flood potential in developed areas such as Marana, where the Altar /Avra drainages join the Santa Cruz River.

Altar Valley landowners and public partners have championed this project concept dating back to the 1970s. Several phases of planning and attempts to gather funding have occurred over the years. Many partners have become involved, including the US Natural Resources Conservation Service, Arizona Department of Transportation and the US Army Corps of Engineers. Tackling the restoration of the main stem of the Altar Wash will be complex and expensive. To date, the right combination of stable funding and institutional commitment have not aligned. PR 262 was designed by Pima County Regional Flood Control District (RFCD) and Pima County Natural Resources Parks and Recreation (NRPR) specifically to remedy this situation. The aim is to accomplish state-of-the-art restoration planning, analysis and permitting necessary to launch the project, and then have construction funding available to begin work and leverage other funding sources.

In the mean time, the Altar Valley Conservation Alliance, working collaboratively with dozens of partners, has tackled watershed restoration in the tributaries at a variety of scales and continually works to bring top-notch resource management, restoration, scientific, and regulatory expertise to the watershed community. Over 15 years of dedicated work has created an effective collaborative environment necessary to do the work. A major source of financial and institutional support, such as the Pima County bond program, would launch Altar Valley watershed work to the larger scale that is essential for success throughout the watershed.

Positive economic benefits include both cost reduction and the generation of additional sources of conservation revenue for the region.

- Bond funding would have a multiplying effect, as it would be used to catalyze other funding sources. This process is already at work in the Altar Valley, where a \$50,000 from Freeport-McMoRan Copper and Gold Foundation was leveraged into a \$200,000 plus watershed restoration project. Similarly, two National Fish and Wildlife Foundation grants using previous SDCP Bond land acquisition as in-kind match are at work in the Altar Valley, each of which more than doubles the value of the original grant.
- Similarly, Pima County institutional support, in combination with the wide range of private and public sector partners already working in the Altar Valley, can accomplish far more working together than any one entity can do alone.
- Public infrastructure maintenance costs for County and State maintained roads, the Ajo Highway bridge west of Three Points, and downstream areas affected by flooding would be decreased.

This project builds on Pima County residents' strong support for open space acquisition and the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan. ***The Altar Valley Watershed Restoration Project is a unique public works project that adds conservation infrastructure to implement SDCP goals.*** Over 200,000 acres of the Altar Valley is now owned or leased by Pima County as part of the Conservation Land System. This project will enhance the value of Pima County's acquisitions by increasing the conservation value of Pima County land as well as adjacent lands. All together, the combined effect results in enhanced conservation of an over 600,000 working landscape and open space resource – a true Sonoran desert conservation jewel that can be a source of continued and enhanced pride for the residents of Pima County.

We believe that Pima County's regional investment in sound land use planning and conservation planning, as evidenced by the SDCP and MSHCP, in concert with ongoing watershed work in the Altar Valley, make this the right time to seriously commit resources and energy to Altar Wash restoration. Thank you for your support for the Altar Valley Restoration Project, PR 262, thus far. We hope that your commitment remains steady as you work through planning for the next bond election.

Sincerely,



Patricia King
President,
Altar Valley Conservation Alliance



Mary Miller
Vice-President - Programs
Altar Valley Conservation Alliance

CC: Ms. Nicole Fyffe, Pima County
Ms. Diana Durazo, Pima County
Ms. Carolyn Campbell, Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection

Attachment K

Jurisdictional Priorities

MARANA RESOLUTION NO. 2013-011

RELATING TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING TOWN STAFF TO SUBMIT THE TOWN OF MARANA'S LIST OF PROPOSED BOND PROJECTS TO THE PIMA COUNTY BOND ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR INCLUSION IN FUTURE PIMA COUNTY GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ELECTIONS

WHEREAS the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee evaluates submissions from Pima County and the incorporated jurisdictions within Pima County in order to recommend a package of projects for inclusion in general obligation bond elections; and

WHEREAS on October 27, 2009, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. 2009-185 approving projects to be submitted to the Bond Committee for a Special Bond Election; and

WHEREAS the Mayor and Council of the Town of Marana find it is in the best interests of its citizens to submit an updated list of proposed projects to the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee.

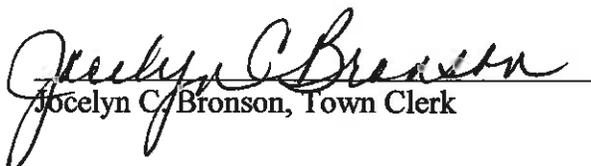
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MARANA, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Town of Marana's list of proposed bond projects attached to and incorporated by this reference in this resolution as Exhibit A is hereby approved, and Town staff is hereby authorized and directed to submit the list to the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee for and on behalf of the Town of Marana.

SECTION 2. The Town's Manager and staff are hereby directed and authorized to undertake all other and further tasks required or beneficial to carry out the terms, obligations, and objectives of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MARANA, ARIZONA, this 12th day of February, 2013.

ATTEST:


Jocelyn C. Bronson, Town Clerk


Mayor Ed Honea

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

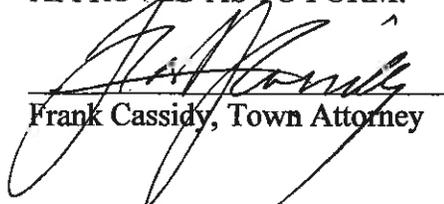

Frank Cassidy, Town Attorney



Exhibit A - Resolution Number 2013-011

Ranking	Project	Request	Updated Request
1	PR213 Marana Cultural & Heritage Park	10,000,000	17,800,000
2	FC8 Barnett Linear Channel	6,000,000	6,000,000
3	FC9 Lower Santa Cruz River Levee	7,000,000	7,000,000
4	CD4 Affordable Housing (Marana)	1,250,000	1,500,000
5	CD5 Neighborhood Housing Stock Retention Fund	750,000	1,000,000
6	FM39 North Marana Library & Multi-Generational Community Center	16,700,000	16,700,000
7	PR210 Bureau of Reclamation Sports Park	17,500,000	17,500,000
8	PR211 Southern Marana Multi-Generational Community Center	5,400,000	5,400,000
Project Removed			
	FC10 Twin Peaks Drainage	1,000,000	-
	FC11 Camino Martin Drainage	1,000,000	-
Partner Project			
	FM84 Marana Health Center Expansion	4,000,000	
	New Project to be Submitted 03-2013		
	Marana Performing Arts/Community Center	5,000,000	5,000,000

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Office of the Town Manager

April 12, 2013

Chairman and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
130 West Congress
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Re: Town of Oro Valley Funding Request for 2014 Pima County Bond Election

Chairman and Members:

The Town of Oro Valley is pleased to submit our revised request for project funding as part of the anticipated 2014 Pima County Bond Election. As shown in the following table, we are requesting a total of \$38,000,000 for seven high-priority projects within the Town, including an exciting new economic development project, the proposed Oro Valley Business Accelerator.

Priority	Town of Oro Valley Project Category & Number		2014 Town of Oro Valley Request
Open Space, Historic & Cultural Conservation			
6	HP108	Honey Bee Village Site Interpretation/Preservation	\$ 400,000
2	HP111	Steam Pump Ranch Master Plan Implementation	\$ 4,000,000
Parks & Recreation			
1	PR217	James D. Kriegh Park Upgrades	\$ 3,000,000
4	PR278	River Park Acquisition & Development	\$ 6,000,000
5	PR281	Public Natural Park Trail Access	\$ 600,000
3	PR	Naranja Park Improvements	\$ 9,000,000
Economic Development			
1	ED	Oro Valley Business Accelerator	\$ 15,000,000
Total Value of Projects Requested by Oro Valley			\$ 38,000,000

In cooperation with Tucson Regional Economic Opportunities (TREO), the University of Arizona Bio5 Institute, the Town is proposing the development of a Business Accelerator on Town-owned property in Innovation Park. The Accelerator will help small bioscience and high-tech companies, that have made it through the start-up phase, scale-up to compete in the national and international market. This resource will play a crucial role in growing the bioscience sector in Southern Arizona and creating high-paying jobs.

In addition to the Accelerator, the Town has revised a number of previously approved projects to reflect the changing needs of our community. Our highest priority projects are facility enhancements to James D. Kriegh Park, full Implementation of the Steam Pump Ranch Master Plan, and basic infrastructure improvements at the 214-acre Naranja Regional Park; however,

we respectfully request due consideration of each of our proposed projects, which are described in greater detail in the attached document.

A memorandum from the County Administrator, dated January 7, 2013, showed that Town of Oro Valley property owners represent more than 7% of the total Pima County Net Assessed Value (NAV), while making up only 4% of the total population. The Bond Advisory Committee has played a vital role in financing public infrastructure to meet the diverse needs of our community, and in doing so, has maintained an equitable balance between the distribution of bond funded projects and the proportional financial burden of servicing regional debt. The Town of Oro Valley expects jurisdictional benefit to continue to be a primary factor in determining the composition of the next regional bond package.

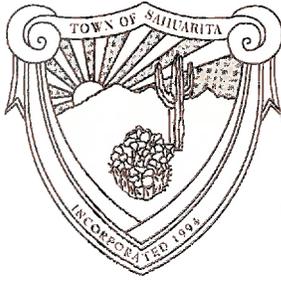
Projects and land acquisitions completed with regional bond funds have made a significant contribution to our residents' quality of life and built upon our commitment to protecting our natural resources. We look forward to continued partnership with our neighboring municipalities and the county as we develop a new slate of bond funded projects for voter approval in 2014.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Greg Caton', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Greg Caton
Town Manager

c: Oro Valley Town Council
Ally Miller, Pima County Supervisor
C.H. Huckelberry, Pima County Administrator
Don Chatfield, Pima County Bond Advisory Committee Member



Town of Sahuarita

Office of the Town Manager

July 11, 2013

Mr. Chuck Huckelberry
County Administrator
130 West Congress Street, 10th Floor
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Re: Town of Sahuarita County Bond project proposals - Request to Prioritize and Application of Criteria

To: Pima County Bond Advisory Committee Chairman Hecker and County Administrator, Chuck Huckelberry

Dear Mr. Huckelberry and Chairman Hecker:

At the Sahuarita Town Council meeting held July 8, 2013, the Council unanimously voted on **the prioritization of the Town's three park projects** and has included the project applications of criteria with this letter.

- 1- PR 181- Sahuarita Pool and Recreation Complex
- 2 - Quail Creek-Veterans Municipal Park
- 3 - North Santa Cruz Park

Town Council members understand and know the Sahuarita Pool and Recreation Complex at Anamax Park has been fully vetted by the Pima County Parks & Recreation Bond Sub-Committee as well as the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee since 2007. This has been ranked as a Tier 1 priority by the Committee for several years. This project included wide public support over many years and the public supported it again when the Town commissioned a Program Study to complete a more specific concept plan in 2009-10. We have since reduced the scope to one recreational pool, not a second competitive pool because the Sahuarita Unified School District constructed a competitive pool. The YMCA of greater Tucson continues to strongly support this project as a partner in the future operational expenses and programming needs. Several members of the public spoke to the Town Council members last night to voice their ongoing support for this project, including Dane Woll from the YMCA. There is no significant indoor community recreation facility the public can utilize on a consistent basis in this area of the County. There is no public, multi-use pool (recreational) in the Town or the surrounding area at this time. Construction of this project would benefit youth, adults, seniors and families of the Town of Sahuarita, as well as residents in the region surrounding the Town limits by addressing their currently unmet needs. Anamax Park already draws from all over the County including south to Tubac, Rio Rico, Arivaca and Amado and west to Vail. Staff estimate approximately 35,000 to 40,000 people use the park annually.

The second park project is the Quail Creek-Veterans Municipal Park, Phase II. The Town already owns the land at Quail Creek-Veterans Municipal Park and has completed Phase I of the Master Plan for the park including some of the infrastructure to accommodate this future Phase. Adding these facilities will assist in the County wide youth sports field deficit which will provide a local and regional community benefit. There are no public parks or sports facilities in this section of Town so providing these facilities will address unmet needs. This park is also made possible by the development of a CFD. The CFD taxes will support ongoing operations and maintenance of this park in perpetuity.

The third is North Santa Cruz Park, Phase II. The park land is not yet owned by the Town, the developer has promised to donate the land whenever necessary. The Town currently has another public park in this area with three sports fields. Staff estimated approximately 13,860 people used this park from January 2013 through June 2013 so it is a heavily used facility and in very close proximity to the Rancho Sahuarita community with several thousand people living in the area. Sports facility rentals from the public have increase 10% over last fiscal year. The fields are beginning to deteriorate due to heavier use and shortened maintenance periods.

We have also submitted an Economic Development Project to be considered as part of the County's economic development allocation to jurisdictions.

As there is currently no vacant office or employment space in the Town, construction of a 10,000 square foot Business Center on Town owned property would give small and locally owned businesses the opportunity to locate in Sahuarita, paying market rates for leases. Many of Sahuarita's locally owned businesses could be classified as start-ups. Over the last 2 years the Town has surveyed and quantified the number of these businesses that want to grow as large as they can and locate in office space within the Town. There is currently no space available for them and none in the planning stages. Over time, as Sahuarita's local economy continues to grow and prosper, a planned exit for these businesses would be orchestrated so that the Town could eventually utilize the space for its own planned growth. Once a critical mass of locally small businesses is established, other landowners will see value in constructing office space at the appropriate return on investment and make this space available to Sahuarita businesses.

Thank you for your consideration of our requests for funding these projects through the County Bond program.

Sincerely,



L. Kelly Udall, Town Manager

Bond Project Prioritization List- City of South Tucson

- A1. East 32nd Street Drainage Project
- A2. 40th Street Drainage Project
- A3. El Paso Southwestern Greenway Construction (South Tucson portion)
- A4. South 7th Avenue between West 28th and 29th Streets Drainage Project
- B1. Economic Development Land Bank
- B2. JVYC/Ochoa Gym
- B3. El Casino Park

Attachment L
New Projects Received Since August 5, 2013 Report
to Bond Advisory Committee

Department:
Date:

2014 Bond Election Proposed Projects Template

Project Name: Elephant Head Volunteer Fire Station

Location: Amado, Arizona

Scope:

The project is to purchase the lot adjacent to the County owned buildings located in Amado, near the Food Bank and Health Clinic and to construct fire house for the Volunteer fire Department.

Benefits:

In 1994, a few conscientious and concerned members of your community formed the Elephant Head Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., a tax-exempt, non-profit, all volunteer, corporation. This entity would serve approximately 5,800 residents living and visiting the communities of Arivaca Junction, Lakewood, Half-way Trailer Park, and Elephant Head. EHVFD has 33 volunteers serving in various roles. We have 14 Fire Fighters trained in structure fires; 10 Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs); 5 first responders trained in basic life-saving techniques and 7 support personnel who are board members, fundraisers, mechanics, etc.



EHVFD volunteers respond to an average of about 1,500 calls per year, including structure fires, brush fires, vehicle fires and accidents, medical emergencies and more. Our Volunteers find themselves responding to calls along interstate-19, made by border patrol and the Sherriff's department.

Costs: \$450,000.00

Bond Funding: \$300,000

Potential for receiving funding from USDA Rural development, The Green Valley White Elephant Organization, Neighborhood Reinvestment funds and Pima county CDBG.

Other Funding: (List other funding by type and amount, or "None identified at this time".)

USDA Rural Development Funds \$50,000.00 not yet approved.
Pima County CDBG in the 2014-2015 allocation \$50,000.00 not yet applied for
Green Valley White Elephant \$50,000.00 not yet approved

Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date: (Provide estimated Fiscal Year for project start and finish date.)

As soon as funding becomes available: with final completion in 6 to 9 months.

Project Management Jurisdiction: (Provide the jurisdiction that will manage the project development.)

It would be our preference to have this project become a 1) Pima County land Acquisition project and then B) become Pima county CDBG/CIP Project.

Future Operating and Maintenance Costs: (Provide information on O&M impact. Estimate an annual amount. If O&M will be paid by other jurisdiction, include the jurisdiction.)

As a 501 C (3) EHVFD would bring this project into their annual operational budget and begin fundraising and grant writing for the expenses associated with O & M

Regional Benefits: (If project has regional benefits, it will help to justify it as a future bond project.)

Our Mission Statement

Our mission is to protect and preserve life and property and minimize the threat to life and property cause by fire, medical or any other emergency through professional and prompt response supported by thorough preparedness and exceptional training.

EHVFD has members who are wildland fire certified, generally are first responders to fires and accidents on interstate -19 working firectly with the Sheriff's department between Amado, Arizona and the I-19 rest area, work directly with 911 dispatches, are joint participants in Pima County Homeland Security events and excercises, have agreements with the Tubac Fire Department, Arivaca Fire department and Rural Metro in an effort to offer complete fire and safety protection in the region.

Supervisor District of Project Location: Supervisor's Sharon Bronson and Ray Carroll

Application of Criteria for Pima County Bond Project Proposals

Project Name: Elephant Head Volunteer Fire Station

1. Broad Demonstrated Support by Public:

This entity would serve approximately 5,800 residents living and visiting the communities of Arivaca Junction, Lakewood, Half-way Trailer Park, and Elephant Head. EHVPD has 33 volunteers serving in various roles. We have 14 Fire Fighters trained in structure fires; 10 Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs); 5 first responders trained in basic life-saving techniques and 7 support personnel who are board members, fundraisers, mechanics, etc.



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2. Has Regional Public Benefit: .

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Not to mention the time we donate to the community through many providing education and blood pressure checks at community events and the local school.

3. Other Funding Sources or Matches:

We are working with USDA at this time for additional capital funding, looking at a potential homeland security grant, the green Valley White elephant and prayer. The fire Department has brought on a grant writer to help with Operational dollars.

4. Education and Workforce Training:

Fire fighters are one of the professions where ongoing training is required and all of our volunteers are eligible to receive that training. If they complete the wildlands fire training they can fight fires in wildland areas and make a fairly decent living outside of the volunteer system.

5. Advances Board Adopted Principles of Sustainability and Conservation:

The Station can be built in a green manner, and sustainability is a bit more difficult, but better training and the addition of a fire house would allow for sustainability as we would have a place to store our equipment, be visible to the community in non emergency times.

6. Previously Authorized Large-scale Bond Projects or Programs that are Now Short of Funding:

Not applicable.

7. Phasing of Large Projects:

This may apply based on federal funding and the requirement of Davis Bacon wages for the federal pieces.

8. Impact on Operating and Maintenance Costs for Governments and Commitment to Fund These Ongoing Costs:

Not applicable

9. Project or Program is a Capital Improvement, Not a Repair or Maintenance Project:

Purchasing land and building or constructing a fire house is a large capital improvement project for this area.

Department/Organization: Facilities

Date: August 9, 2013

2014 Bond Election Proposed Projects Template

Project Name: Arizona Sonora Western Heritage Foundation (ASWHF) Expansion of Facilities and New Exhibits At Old Tucson

Location: Old Tucson 201 S. Kinney Road, Tucson AZ 85735 (a Pima County Leased Property)

Scope: ASWHF will construct themed exhibit structures and infrastructure that will transition a portion of Old Tucson from a family themed Western Town to an Arizona Sonoran Western Heritage Culture Center. The exhibit additions will require the construction of 20,000 square feet of temperature controlled appropriately themed buildings and outdoor design elements for seasonal interpretive educational programs. This is an all inclusive proposal for design and construction of buildings, fixtures and exterior elements. Additionally existing County Owned buildings will be modified to meet the requirements of the new educational programs that will be implemented. These include structures 17, 27 and 64 which are shown on the Old Tucson Site Plan. (See Attached Site Plan)

Benefits:

There will be both educational and economic development benefits. Geotourism incorporates the concept of sustainable tourism—that destinations should remain unspoiled for future generations—while allowing for ways to protect a place's character. Geotourism also takes a principle from its ecotourism cousin,—that tourism revenue should promote conservation—and extends it to culture and history as well, that is, all distinctive assets of a place. Old Tucson will become a complementary attraction to the Arizona Sonoran Desert Museum and a sustainable educational resource for the people of Pima County.

Costs: \$14M

Bond Funding: \$10M

Other Funding: \$4M match funding that will be used for design and development of programs for the cultural center.

Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date: 2015 - 2017

Project Management Jurisdiction: ASWHF and Old Tucson Company wish to develop, manage, and bid this project with the oversight of Pima County Facilities and Economic Development and Tourism Departments..

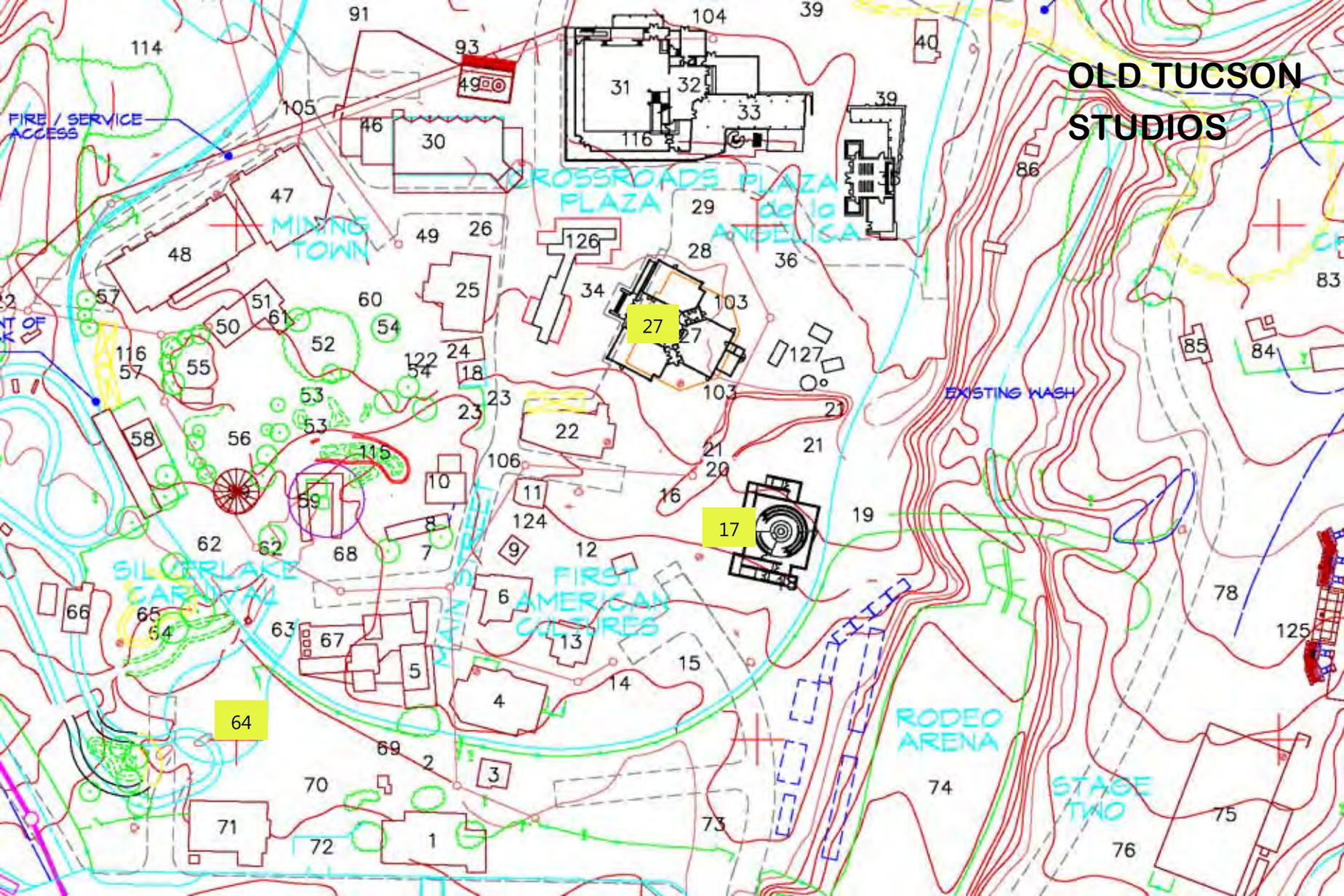
Future Operating and Maintenance Costs: It is expected that the O & M will be approx. \$200,000 per year and ASWHF will be responsible for the costs.

Regional Benefits: There is no multi-cultural center in Southern Arizona. Old Tucson is an ideal educational backdrop for authentic experiences and exhibits that showcase Southern Arizona which would include the Native American, Mexican, African American, Chinese and European's that pioneered Southern Arizona.

Supervisor District of Project Location: The Old Tucson leased property is in both District 3 and 5.

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Application of Criteria for Pima County Bond Project Proposals

Project Name: Arizona Sonora Western Heritage Foundation (ASWHF) Expansion of Facilities and New Exhibits to be Located at Old Tucson

Broad Demonstrated Support by Public: Since its beginnings Pima County has been a center for historic and western-themed cultural activity for residents and visitors to Arizona's Sonoran Desert. In response to this, for the past several years, the management of Old Tucson has created a series of living history attractions that tell the stories of work, family and community traditions and culture of Southwestern Arizona. With a growing population, substantial tourism, and a strong existing base of cultural activity, we envision an opportunity to create a Multi-Cultural Heritage Center that reflects the diversity of traditions and influences which have formed our region and expands and responds to visitors' desire to "Experience the Sonoran West."

The new Center will complement the steady, good stewardship that other community groups have exercised in the various forms and shapes of the "heritage" field to date -- such as Birth of Tucson, Presidio, Mission Gardens, the Santa Cruz Valley Heritage Alliance, Native Seeds, Tucson Meet Yourself and the neighborhood associations that have been the frontline of historic preservation and economic development.

Old Tucson Company ownership has approved the creation of an educationally based Western Heritage Foundation and with the support of the University of Arizona and Arizona State Museum. While this has been in formation since 2010, the Arizona Sonoran Western Heritage Foundation was officially incorporated June 27, 2013 and will have full non-profit status by late November 2013. Support for this project has been given by Pima County Elected Officials; Dr. Joaquin Ruiz, Dean of University of Arizona College of Science, Dr. Patrick Lyons, Director Arizona State Museum and Brent DeRaad, CEO of Visit Tucson along with other stake holders in community.

Has Regional Public Benefit: Old Tucson has been a Pima County Attraction for over 75 years and in its heyday was the second most attended attraction in the State of Arizona second only to Grand Canyon National Park. Created originally as a movie set in 1939, Old Tucson has been the backdrop for over 300 major motion pictures, episodic television, commercials and photo-shoots. The movie business and the Westerns have moved on leaving Old Tucson as a historic landmark of yesteryear. In conjunction with being a movie venue, Old Tucson has been committed to remaining relevant to a broad demographic, beyond just Western Movie enthusiasts, given that older demographic and the current lack of feature films being produced in Arizona. In 2010, Old Tucson began expanding its strategic community partnerships, increasing its commitment to the compatibility of Geotourism with an emphasis on the diversity of our historic "Sense of Place" in Southern Arizona.

Old Tucson's history is rooted in the production of movies about the "Old West" – a movie genre so distinctive that it is simply known as "The Western." This movie genre has captured the imaginations of people around the globe and created a powerful narrative about life in the Old West. For people fascinated with the Old West and with "The Western," Old Tucson is a premier global destination. However, the Old West was much more complicated than typically portrayed in The Western. People in that time and place experienced everyday life differently depending in large part on age, gender, culture, social status, and racial background. While honoring the importance of The Western in shaping popular imagination, we would like to delve

deeper and offer visitors the opportunity to experience the complexity and “messiness” of life in the Old West, particularly focusing on the borderlands from 1850-1890. For this reason, Old Tucson is proposing the development of a Multi-Cultural Heritage Center, which would provide interactive exhibit space to educate visitors about the everyday lives of real people who lived in our region at that time through stories passed down to us through historical documents (e.g., maps, newspaper articles, photographs, and personal journals) as well as folklore (e.g., oral tradition, rituals, art, music, food, and cultural artifacts). A Multi-Cultural Heritage Center would also honor those who still practice the ranching and folk traditions of our region from that time period (e.g., branding, roping, saddle-making, tortilla-making, cooking cholla buds, ballet folklorico, writing corridos, basket-making, adobe brick-making) by giving them opportunities to share their knowledge and skills with others. As such, a Multi-Cultural Heritage Center at Old Tucson would develop greater awareness of the cultural diversity and heritage of our region and complement the existing and planned attractions that highlight our region’s cultural heritage, such as the Heritage Park, Canoa Ranch, Tumacacori, and Empire Ranch. Because Old Tucson is already a major destination (and because of its proximity to the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum) a Multi-Cultural Heritage Center there would be well positioned to provide an additional geo-tourism attraction.

Partnerships: Partnerships and support have been committed by the University Of Arizona College Of Social and Behavioral Science and the Arizona State Museum.

Other Funding Sources or Matches: The bond funding requested is \$10m with a \$4M matching contribution. Total expenditure for capital improvement is \$10M. The additional \$4M of matching funds will be used for Design and Exhibits development that are done in the form of grants to the University of Arizona and/or other relevant resources.

Education and Workforce Training: The new facility will offer both undergraduate and graduate students from the U of A an opportunity to gain practical experience in anthropological and archeological aspects of the Arizona Sonora region. Programs that focus on Arizona History will be made available that will meet the standards of the State of Arizona curriculum for K-12 students.

Advances Board Adopted Principles of Sustainability and Conservation: The new facility is planned to be constructed to achieve LEED certification, Living History program content will be developed in conjunction with Pima County Dept. of Conservation and Sustainability and Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation consistent with the Sustainability Resolution adopted by the Pima County BOS.

Previously Authorized Large-scale Bond Projects or Programs that are Now Short of Funding: None – Not applicable.

Phasing of Large Projects: FY 2015 – 16: Design and Program Development, FY 2016 – 17. Construction

Impact on Operating and Maintenance Costs for Governments and Commitment to Fund These Ongoing Costs: All operational and maintenance costs will be the responsibility of ASWHF.

Project or Program is a Capital Improvement, Not a Repair or Maintenance Project: This project is a new capital improvement to Old Tucson a County owned facility.

Department: Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation
Date: August, 2013

2014 Bond Election Proposed Projects Template

Project Name: Agua Caliente Park Pond Restoration

Location: Roy P. Drachman Agua Caliente Park

Scope: This project will address the failure of the natural spring at Agua Caliente Park and inability of supplemental well water to maintain the water level in the historic Pond one. The project will include the draining, dredging and contouring of Pond one to reduce its overall footprint to approximately 2 acres from the current 3.5 acres. Most of the pond will be deepened to remove built up sediments and invasive cattail infestations will be reduced to a more manageable size. Wildlife loafing islands will be added inside the pond. The pond will have a liner installed to eliminate water loss through the sides and bottom. The existing well system will be upgraded and water piped to additional locations in the park including the spring area and Pond two for smaller dependable wildlife waters. Access to the historic Island will be restored with an ADA accessible pathway. The landscaping will be renovated to reduce over-population of some trees and the addition of new native species of trees, shrubs and aquatic plants. Pond two will get additional plantings of wildlife-friendly native plants

Benefits: Agua Caliente Park is one of the most unique of the Pima County parks. Well over 150,000 visitors enjoy the park on an annual basis. It has been a favorite community park for decades because of its water features, lush vegetation, historical buildings and abundant wildlife. Its historic importance in the Tucson region is also well documented and the site is on the National Register of Historic Places. For more than a decade of continuing drought, the natural water source for the ponds has been declining. Natural flows dropped from 120+ gallons a minute in 2000 to the point now where the spring has dried up and does not flow for a good part of the year. Significant supplemental well water additions cannot keep even Pond one filled within the capabilities of the water system and water rights available at the park. Well over 40% of the surface of Pond one is now unsightly exposed mud flats. The aged pond system needs to be renovated now and a new water budget consistent with existing water resources is established for the site that will maintain the character of the ponds, provide diverse wildlife habitat and the lush environment visitors have come to expect when visiting the park. Such renovations will be necessary in the very near future or we can expect water quality or quantity issues that could severely impact the fish and amphibians in the pond and plants around the pond. The project will give new life to the pond system at Agua Caliente Park for decades to come and restore the site to a favorite place for local residents to visit, walk and enjoy a slower paced and natural environment experience.

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Costs: \$1,000,000

Bond Funding: \$1,000,000

Other Funding: (List other funding by type and amount, or “None identified at this time”.)

None identified at this time

Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date: Fiscal Year 2015/16 start and completion

Project Management Jurisdiction: (Provide the jurisdiction that will manage the project development.)

The project will be managed and maintained by Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation

Future Operating and Maintenance Costs: (Provide information on O&M impact. Estimate an annual amount. If O&M will be paid by other jurisdiction, include the jurisdiction.)

It is anticipated that the annual maintenance costs will initially run approximately \$30,000. This includes utility costs and staff labor costs. These costs will be covered by Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation because NRPR already has responsibility for maintenance of Agua Caliente Park system and base funding already has been allocated to the site for that purpose

Regional Benefits: (If project has regional benefits, it will help to justify it as a future bond project.)

This project will positively impact users from across the Tucson metro area and visitors from around the country. Park visitors routinely come from all parts of town. This iconic park is considered by many as a community treasure and is recognized nationally for its historic roots. To let the system die as many have known it for a lifetime when capital improvement options exist seems to be a valid Bond project justification.

Supervisor District of Project Location: District 2

Application of Criteria for Pima County Bond Project Proposals

Project Name: Agua Caliente Park Pond Restoration Project

1. Broad Demonstrated Support by Public: This project need has been a topic of community discussion for several years. Numerous media stories annually continue to outline the challenges to maintain water levels in the historic ponds and have tracked the declining water resources available due to failure of the natural spring source. Agua Caliente gets over 150,000 visitors on an annual basis. The park is recognized as a unique community resource for its water features, lush vegetation, historic character and diverse wildlife habitats. The park draws diverse users from families to retiree groups, arts groups to bird watchers. The project has the support of the Friends of Agua Caliente a not-for-profit membership group established to support the park and helps conserve its historic and ecological values. Agua Caliente is listed in numerous books and resource guides as one of the top 10 watchable wildlife sites in the Tucson region. The site is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
2. Has Regional Public Benefit: This project will provide life back to a pond system that has been a central focus of the site for well over 100 years. Agua Caliente has been a well-known and unique resource in the Tucson area. The mix of local history dating back to prehistoric times and the presence of water surrounded by lush riparian vegetation make it a truly rare public resource in the Tucson basin. No other public park brings all of these features together in the same way. This is also why the community came together back in 1984 to pressure the county into protecting the site from residential development plans. The ecological importance of the aquatic systems surrounded by desert habitat in the region is also unique and extremely limited. It is a one-of-a-kind urban habitat that the residents and visitors to Tucson have embraced for decades and have come to expect an environment that has a very consistent look and feel. The proposed rehabilitation project will give the Agua Caliente water features a new stable life that should protect them for many years to come.
3. Partnerships: The project has already involved a number of organizations and agencies in looking at the scope of the challenges to the aquatic system on the park and options to address the various problems. Those discussions have framed the conceptual basis of the proposed Bond project. As the project moves forward, additional partnerships will be possible. Additional funding will be pursued with other organizations to help add enhancements to the renovation scope and long-term protection of the park resources. Key partners will include The Friends of Agua Caliente Park, Pima County Parklands Foundation, Arizona Game and Fish Department, US Fish and Wildlife, Tucson Audubon Society and The Nature Conservancy.
4. Other Funding Sources or Matches: If the project gets Bond funding, matching grants will be pursued. Sources would include the Arizona Game and Fish Heritage program, US Fish and Wildlife Partners in Wildlife grants, private donations and community foundation grants. We think that a number of organizations and companies will step forward to support the

project and augment Bond funds because of the diverse support groups that have already voiced support for the project concept.

5. Education and Workforce Training: This project is focused on passive recreational use, historical resource protection and maintaining the ecological function of the previously Bond acquired site. This is more of a quality of life project than economic driver. However, we do know that local watchable wildlife visitation is high at the site and includes tours and individuals from outside the region. There is already an active public education presence at the park. Everything from bird walks to arts training to connections to school curriculum areas using the park as an outdoor learning laboratory will continue.
6. Advances Board Adopted Principles of Sustainability and Conservation: This project will implement a number of the County Sustainability program principles and outcomes especially in the area of conservation. It falls within the implementation vision of the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan set for county activities. Actual site development techniques and strategies will be sustainable and integrate energy/water use efficiency. The site will be able to take advantage of new water harvesting techniques and will have the opportunity to demonstrate how to integrate native plants into local landscapes. Maintaining and enhancing the value of the site as an urban wildlife habitat is a primary objective of the overall pond restoration project.
7. Previously Authorized Large-scale Bond Projects or Programs that are Now Short of Funding: Not applicable to this project.
8. Phasing of Large Projects: This is a medium sized project that can and should be constructed at one time and would not require phases.
9. Impact on Operating and Maintenance Costs for Governments and Commitment to Fund These Ongoing Costs: Once constructed, the pond restoration outcome will be maintained in the most natural state and should not require intense operational and maintenance support. A small supplemental allocation could allow the park to comfortably add project enhancements into the existing NRPR O&M program at Agua Caliente Park.
10. Project or Program is a Capital Improvement, Not a Repair or Maintenance Project: The site is currently developed as a historic pond feature but is currently in a failing crisis condition. The nature of the required restoration far exceeds a maintenance project and calls for a full restoration of the historic features, new public use enhancements and updating of associated infrastructure. The project will take several years to fully complete and will require extensive heavy equipment construction activities, land disturbance and new native plant landscaping.

Attachment M

M1: No Future Authorization Debt Retirement

M2: Maintaining Tax Rate of 0.8150 Scenario

M3: Increasing Tax Rate Above 0.8150 Scenario

No Future Authorization Debt Retirement

Pima County, Arizona General Obligation Bonding Program

Fiscal Year	Projected Secondary Assessed Value ⁽¹⁾	Debt Service Payments ⁽²⁾		Actual Tax Rate	Projected Tax Rate	Bond Sales ⁽²⁾		Outstanding Cumulative Debt
		Principal	Interest			Prior Auth	New Bond Sales	
2007 - 08	8,220,395,935	\$ 41,255,000	\$ 13,725,824	\$0.6850	0.758	\$ 100,000,000	\$ 100,000,000	\$ 348,335,000
2008 - 09	9,594,861,519	36,490,000	20,108,454	\$0.6050	0.746	75,000,000	75,000,000	386,845,000
2009 - 10	9,860,980,900	59,285,000	18,540,559	\$0.7100	0.674	90,000,000	90,000,000	417,995,000
2010 - 11	9,342,561,193	40,245,000	16,173,681	\$0.7500	0.677	75,000,000	75,000,000	452,750,000
2011 - 12	8,448,281,586	56,980,000	17,010,752	\$0.7800	0.622	60,000,000	60,000,000	456,145,000
2012 - 13	8,171,211,922	49,175,000	16,238,869	\$0.7800	0.547	50,000,000	50,000,000	456,970,000
2013 - 14	7,623,691,280	44,765,000	14,577,094	\$0.7800	0.532	20,000,000	20,000,000	432,185,000
2014 - 15	7,569,070,615	41,565,000	15,798,931		0.758	8,681,000	8,681,000	399,301,000
2015 - 16	7,532,565,774	43,075,000	14,761,747		0.746	-	-	356,226,000
2016 - 17	7,716,589,926	44,230,000	13,337,146		0.674	-	-	311,996,000
2017 - 18	7,972,732,734	41,855,000	11,868,821		0.677	-	-	270,141,000
2018 - 19	8,211,914,716	45,285,000	10,328,296		0.622	-	-	224,856,000
2019 - 20	8,458,272,158	43,915,000	8,732,309		0.547	-	-	180,941,000
2020 - 21	8,712,020,322	40,460,000	7,191,834		0.532	-	-	140,481,000
2021 - 22	8,973,380,932	42,075,000	5,680,609		0.368	-	-	98,406,000
2022 - 23	9,244,582,360	29,986,000	4,009,759		0.251	-	-	68,410,000
2023 - 24	9,519,859,831	21,120,000	2,791,763		0.163	-	-	47,290,000
2024 - 25	9,805,455,626	14,050,000	1,939,863		0.158	-	-	33,240,000
2025 - 26	10,099,619,294	14,575,000	1,333,413			-	-	18,665,000
		1,030,000				\$ 450,000,000	\$ 28,681,000	\$ 478,681,000

(1) Secondary Assessed Value (SAV) for FY 2007/08 - 2013/14 are actuals. For FY 2015/16 through 2017/18, estimates were provided by the Finance and Risk Management Department and for each year thereafter, SAV is assumed to grow at 3% annually.

(2) Debt Service Payments and Bonds Sales for FY 2007/08 - 2012/13 are actuals. Source: applicable Report of Indebtedness Made to the Arizona Department of Revenue.

