

**Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
Meeting**

**Manning House
450 West Paseo Redondo
Friday March 28, 2008
8:00 a.m.**

SUMMARY OF MEETING

The following is a summary of the March 28, 2008 meeting.

Committee Members Present

Larry Hecker, Chair
Pat Benchik
Pete Delgado
Gary Davidson
Paul Diaz
Rene Gastelum
Jesus Gomez
Byron Howard
Terri Hutts
Wade McLean
Rick Myers
John Neis
Ted Prezelski
Chris Sheafe
Thomas Six
Dan Sullivan
Tom Warne
Greg Wexler

Committee Members Absent

Peter Backus
Carolyn Campbell, Vice Chair
Robert Davis
Kelly Gomez
David Lyons
A.C. Marriotti
Patty Richardson

1. Welcome

Meeting began at 8:05 a.m. with a quorum.

2. Approval of Meeting Summary

The meeting summary from the March 7, 2008 meeting was approved 16-0.

3. Future Bond Election: Presentations, Questions from Committee, and Public Comment

A. Community and Administrative Facilities

Gary Campbell, Pima County Facilities Management, presented information on the following bond project proposals.

FM	1	One Stop Career Center	\$4,500,000
FM	6	Las Artes Dust Control and Fire Suppression System	\$500,000
FM	87	Kino Teen Center Service Coordination and Expansion	\$775,000
FM	86	Kino Sports Complex North Side Maintenance Facility	\$550,000
FM	88	Amado Food Bank/Community Building Expansion	\$550,000
PR	235	Freedom Park Adult Learning Center	\$3,600,000
PR	75	Green Valley Performing Arts/Learning Center III	\$20,000,000
FM	100	Picture Rocks Community Center Expansion	\$1,600,000
FM	103	Expansion of Catalina Community Services Center	\$750,000
FM	254	Southeast Govt/Comm Ctr, library, pool, park, Sheriff	\$21,800,000
FM	9	Green Valley Govt Ctr Master Plan Implementation	\$8,000,000
FM	34	LSB - Asbestos Abatement and Fire Sprinklers	\$8,197,000
FM	62	New Facility for Fleet Services Department	\$8,660,000
FM	18	Replacement of County's Financial Mgmt System	\$15,000,000
		Total	\$94,482,000

The following County staff and users of the programs also contributed to the presentations: Dorothee Harmon-Community Services, Danny Chavez – Las Artes, and Tom Burke – County Finance Director.

The following audience members spoke in support of Green Valley Performing Arts facility: Al Saterback, and Dr. Manuel Valenzuela.

B. Neighborhood Reinvestment Program

Al Skorupski, Chairman of the Neighborhood Reinvestment Oversight Committee spoke about the successes of the 1997 and 2004 bond programs, continuing needs, and proposals for the continuation of the County's Neighborhood Reinvestment Program. The presentation is available for viewing on the County's bond web site www.bonds.pima.gov.

CD	2	Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Pima County's Request)	\$ 30,000,000
CD	5	Neighborhood Housing Stock Retention Fund (Marana's Request)	\$ 750,000
CD	8	Targeted Neighborhood Reinvestment (South Tucson's Request)	\$ 1,000,000
		Total	\$ 31,750,000

Byron Howard asked whether staff or the committee keep track of requests from neighborhoods that are denied. Mr. Skorupski replied that staff works closely with applicants so that applications have a high chance of success. Terri Hutts asked for clarification on why Marana and South Tucson have targeted funding requests in addition to the County-wide program. Mr. Skorupski replied that those communities have unique needs, that they will still have to work closely with Pima County staff and to bring applications through the County's oversight committee, and that this would give those communities greater ownership and responsibility for the projects.

The following members of the audience spoke in support of the proposals: Enrique Serna, City Manager City of South Tucson, T Van Hook, Town of Marana, Rick Wisinski, Amphi Neighborhood Association, Jesus Duran, Bravo Park Neighborhood, and former County Supervisor Dan Eckstrom.

C. Affordable Housing Program

Frank Thompson, member of the County's Housing Commission, spoke about the status of the 1997 and 2004 bond programs, continuing needs, and proposals for the continuation of the County's Affordable Housing Program. The presentation is available for viewing on the County's bond web site www.bonds.pima.gov.

CD	1	Affordable Housing Program (Pima County's Request)	\$30,000,000
CD	3	Pima County Comprehensive Housing Center	\$ 1,350,000
CD	4	Affordable Housing (Marana's Request)	\$ 1,250,000
CD	7	Affordable Housing (South Tucson's Request)	<u>\$ 5,000,000</u>
		Total	\$37,600,000

Pat Benchik questioned whether the proposal should be for more than \$37.6 million because of great need. Mr. Thompson replied that need is much larger but the Commission is trying to be modest while other County programs get underway. Chris Sheaf clarified that there have been significant improvements to the program and described the social and economical benefits of owning a home. Byron Howard asked if a foundation had been set up to establish an endowment of the program. Mr. Thompson replied that a subcommittee of the Commission was currently considering this option, as well as another subcommittee that is looking at all of the regulatory costs that are applied to homes.

The following members of the audience spoke in support of the proposals: Danny Knee, Deputy Director for Habitat for Humanity, Alberto Hernandez, homeowner via Habitat for Humanity, Terri Gallegan, Old Pueblo Community Foundation, and Jeff Hael, Community Service of Southern Arizona.

4. Report from County Administrator on Rillito Racetrack and Park

The report was emailed to the Committee. Mr. Huckelberry stated that additional reports would be forthcoming. Chris Sheaf asked whether the cost to bring the current racetrack facility up to par would be greater than the cost to construct a new facility. Mr. Huckelberry responded yes, probably costs twice as much. Ted Prezelski asked whether the land at Roger Road Waste Water Treatment Facility was available for soccer. Mr. Huckelberry said that it would not be available for soccer before 2016 because the wastewater has to be moved first. Gary Davidson also noted that the Roger Road facility is 12 to 14 miles away from the residents that reside around the Rillito facility, and contains unknown archaeological costs.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for April 25th and the topic will be Parks and Recreation bond project proposals.

6. Call to the Audience

No one in the audience spoke at this time.

7. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting Adjourned at 10:50 pm.