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Minutes
Forney Bond Committee
Tuesday, July 13, 2021
6:00 p.m. Meeting
City Hall, 101 Main Street, Forney, Texas 75126

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mario Luna, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Present were Chairman Mario Luna, Vice Chairman Nate Dettmer, Council Member Jason Roberson, Clayton Haughey, Brandi Westmoreland, Chad Carpenter, Mandy Hood, Cory McGee. Council Member Robbie Powers arrived at 6:10 p.m. Lisa King arrived at 6:18 p.m. Not present were JD Ferguson and Michael Rudowski.

New Committee Members Council Member Jason Roberson, Cory McGee and Lisa King were welcomed to the Committee.

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II. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

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1. Approval of Minutes from May 11, 2021 Meeting.

Vice Chairman Nate Dettmer made the motion to approve the minutes as they were presented. Mandy Hood seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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2. Discussion on public outreach/survey.

3. Discussion on Streets/Transportation, Parks and City Facilities Project.

4. Open Discussion on the Bond Program.

Neil Cardwell, Deputy City Manager, reintroduced members from WRA who are assisting the City in developing a Facilities assessment for the City and conducting the public outreach/survey.

WRA provided a quick summary of some of the facilities concepts that they have formulated to address the City's needs. These include the following:

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New Central Fire Station – Estimated project cost \$16.5 Million

Upgrades to Fire Station #2 – Estimated project cost \$6.8 Million

Library – Estimated project cost \$14.8 Million

City Hall – Estimated project cost of \$17.9 Million

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The Committee had some discussion about the purpose for a Library facility. Several items were provided to give staff and WRA some direction as to the nature of such a facility. These items included being a place to entertain children, provide public meeting space, educational programming for various age groups, flexible event space, provide quiet individual space, story time for children, and a place to check out physical books and materials.

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WRA presented a draft of the public survey. The Committee provided feedback and direction to staff and WRA on the survey. The survey would be published and made available through different avenues for the residents of the City to respond. Responses would be collected and provided at an upcoming meeting of the Committee.

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Kyle Rouvaldt, Parks and Recreation Director, provided the Committee with an update of the concepts for the Northside Park and Phase 2 of the Community Park. The Parks and Recreation

54 Board provided a recommendation to staff about the park improvements at the two parks. This
55 was to propose a standard level of improvements from the concept for Northside Park. The
56 estimated cost for the improvements would be approximately \$40 Million. Additionally, the
57 recommendation proposes a standard level of improvements from the concept for Phase 2 of
58 Community Park, excluding a recreation center. The estimated cost for these improvements was
59 also an approximate \$40 Million.

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61 **5. Future Agenda Items and Meeting Schedule.**

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63 The next Committee meeting will potentially be held on July 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Staff may make
64 the decision to postpone any additional meetings until WRA is able to collect the responses from
65 the public outreach/survey.

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67 **III. ADJOURNMENT**

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69 There being no further business or discussion by the Bond Committee, Vice Chairman Nate
70 Dettmer made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mandy Hood seconded the motion. The motion
71 passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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