

September 17, 2014

Honorable Mayor and Council
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Honorable Mayor and Council:

This month, the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee has recommenced its meetings to consider project proposals in preparation for a proposed 2015 Pima County Bond Election.

At our August 20 and September 10, 2014 meetings, we were presented with four new projects and one has now been incorporated into our priority ranking, the Jesse Owens Park. Below is an updated, prioritized list of thirty recommended projects totaling \$139 million. City residents represent 52.7% of the County's population, contributing approximately 43% of the Pima County tax base. In addition, 81% of the business licenses in Pima County are issued within the City of Tucson. For this reason, the BPAC supports the complete funding of the City's bond projects so that its constituents and taxpayers receive their fair share of the Pima County bond allocations.

1. PR-35 Sports Fields & Lighting - \$11.2M, Tentatively approved
2. Downtown Community Theaters and Historic Cultural Landscape - \$28M, New Project
3. PR-34 Urban Greenways - \$15 M, Tentatively approved
4. N-13 Reid Park Zoo Hippo Exhibit - \$3.75M, Tentatively approved with proposed scope change
5. N-16 Historic Miracle Mile - \$2M, New Project
6. South 12th Avenue Cultural & Culinary Corridor - \$3.1M, New Project
7. PR-220 Adaptive Recreation Center Expansion - \$12M, Tentatively approved
8. Public Safety Training Academy: Judgmental Firearms Training Facility - \$4.1M, New project
9. PR-20 Reid Park Improvements - \$2M, Tentatively approved
10. Public Safety Training Academy: Multi-Purpose Training Facility - \$11.7M, New project
11. N-17 Sunshine Mile Commercial District - \$2M, New Project
12. Public Safety Training Academy: Driver Training Facility - \$3M, New project
13. PR-267 Sentinel Peak – A Mountain Improvements - \$2.5M, Tentatively approved
14. PR-5 Jacobs Park Recreation Center - \$4M, Tentatively approved
15. PR-46 Kennedy Park Improvements/ Expansion - \$2.5M, Resubmittal
16. Murrieta Park Improvements - \$5M, New Project

17. PR-18 El Pueblo Center Improvements - \$2.5M, Tentatively approved with proposed changes
18. Jesse Owens Improvements - \$1M, Resubmittal
19. PR-4 Udall Park Expansion - \$4M, Tentatively approved
20. PR-42 Quincie Douglas Center Expansion - \$1M, Resubmittal
21. PR-11 Clements Senior Center Expansion - \$4.5M, Resubmittal
22. PR-14 Silverlake Park Expansion - \$2.3M, Resubmittal
23. PR-29 Purple Heart Park - \$1.5M, Tentatively approved
24. Temple of Music and Art Rehabilitation - \$900,000, New project
25. PR-28 Lincoln Park Improvements - \$1.5M, Tentatively approved with proposed scope change
26. PR-19 Freedom Center Expansion - \$2.5M, Tentatively approved with proposed scope change
27. PR-44 Oury Park Cultural Festival Area - \$1.5M, Resubmittal
28. PR-201 Oury Pool Renovation - \$1.5M, Tentatively approved with proposed changes
29. HP-126 Dunbar School Rehabilitation - \$1.5M, Tentatively approved
30. HP-128 Performing Arts Center Rehabilitation - \$1M, Tentatively approved

TOTAL \$139M

We are also including this list broken down by the County's established categories:

Community Facilities

1. PR-18 El Pueblo Center Improvements - \$2.5M, Tentatively approved with proposed changes
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Museums and Tourism

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Historic and Cultural Resources

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2. N-17 Sunshine Mile Commercial District - \$2M, New Project
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Parks and Recreation

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Neighborhood Reinvestment and Affordable Housing

1. South 12th Avenue Cultural & Culinary Corridor - \$3.1M, New Project

Justice and Law Enforcement Facilities

1. Public Safety Training Academy: Judgmental Firearms Training Facility - \$4.1M, New project
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Projects with Broad Regional Impact:

The committee recommends the following projects as County projects as these projects are regional in nature:

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BPAC Comment on Pedestrian Safety and Walkability Improvements:

The BPAC fully supports the Living Streets Alliance (LSA) bond proposal and recommends its inclusion in the Pima County Bond package. LSA and the City of Tucson Department of Transportation staff have worked closely to develop comprehensive project lists and can continue this relationship during actual project implementation. In addition, the BPAC believes that this proposal has

strong community support as indicated in the County's public survey where pedestrian safety and walkability improvements were the second highest scoring category.

BPAC Support for Historic Fort Lowell Park – Master Plan Implementation:

The BPAC believes that the completion of Zones 2 and 3 should be added to HP 115 - Historic Fort Lowell Park - Master Plan Implementation, which would increase the total budget to \$10M. This \$5M increase would complete the majority of this well-conceived and community supported Master Plan. This project is listed in the historic category but BPAC believes that it has positive tourism and economic impacts as well.

BPAC Comment on City of Tucson Drainage Projects:

The BPAC was presented 6 drainage projects by the Department of Transportation, totaling \$28.81 M. Due to an existing mechanism to fund flood control (Pima County Flood Control District), the BPAC has recommended that these projects not be included in the Pima County Bond package. However, the BPAC recommends that the City of Tucson begin discussions with Pima County Flood Control to ensure that these projects are funded and programmed for completion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Liz Rangel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "L" and "R".

Liz Rangel
Bond Project Advisory Committee Chair