



**Planning Commission
Capital Improvement Program Committee
APPROVED MINUTES
Monday, April 30, 2012**

The Planning Commission CIP Committee convened in a regular meeting on Monday, April 30, 2012 at 301 W. 2nd Street, City Hall, Room #1029, in Austin, Texas.

Chair Hatfield called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Subcommittee Members in Attendance:

Dave Anderson Richard Hatfield Alfonso Hernandez Dave Sullivan

City Staff in Attendance:

Mike Trimble, Capital Planning Office Kimberly Springer, Capital Planning Office
Justin Golbabai, Planning and Development Review

1) Citizen Communication

1. Scott Way – Requested funding for the East 12th Street project and provided the Commissioners copies of a resolution in support of the project from the Austin Neighborhoods Council and a letter/petition from project stakeholders indicating their support for the project and request for \$20 million in funding.

2. Malcolm Yeatts – Mr. Yeatts agreed to speak when the Commissioners reached item 4a on the agenda.

3. Sean Garretson – Chestnut Neighborhood resident requested funding for the East 12th Street project.

2) Approval of minutes for April 2, 2012.

The minutes for April 2, 2012 were approved with a motion made by Commissioner Dave Anderson and Commissioner Alfonso Hernandez's second on a vote of 4-0.

3) Old Business – Discussion and Action Items

a) Bond Process Update

Commissioner Hernandez and Mike Trimble noted several upcoming meetings for the bond process. Two community forums are scheduled for May 2 at Akins High School and May 3 at Lanier High School, both at 6:30pm. The Bond Election Advisory Task Force will hold a work session on May 10 to further discuss the committee recommendations. The Bond Election Advisory Task Force recommendation is expected to be presented to City Council in early June.

4) New Business – Discussion and Action Items

a) Community input on capital project requests

Malcolm Yeatts from the East Riverside/Oltorf area spoke about the Country Club Creek Trail. He noted a minor additional investment by the City of Austin will leverage previous improvements made by the City and the neighborhood. He also stated the trail would complete a connection between Mabel Davis and Guerrero Parks and that the trail would serve as a conduit for all of southeast Austin by providing a connection between numerous areas. Funding request for approximately \$1.2 million would serve the trail from Oltorf to Riverside.

Lou O’Hanlon of the University Hills neighborhood supports the project to address erosion issues on Little Walnut Creek. She requested funding for streambank erosion mitigation.

Commissioners discussed if how it has reviewed the neighborhood plan project requests in the past is still the best method. Commissioner Sullivan noted the neighborhood plan project lists serve to education them about what kinds of issues exist throughout the city. Commissioner Anderson expressed concern with ongoing review and ranking of the neighborhood projects relative to the rest of the capital program.

Commissioner Anderson made a motion that the Capital Improvement Program and neighborhood project requests be reviewed through the lens of Imagine Austin to develop comments and/or recommendations. Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion and it passed on a vote of 4-0.

5) Staff briefings

a) Presentation, discussion, and possible action – Draft Fiscal Year 2013 Capital Improvements Program Five-Year Plan

Kimberly Springer (Capital Planning Office presented the Draft Fiscal Year 2013 Capital Improvements Program Five-Year Plan. She provided an overview of how Imagine Austin and the recent needs assessment were incorporated into the plan and noted a common theme from departments for the need to invest in existing infrastructure through rehabilitation and renovation. No formal action was taken.

6) Future agenda items

a) The May 7, 2012 meeting agenda will include an update on the bond process, additional discussion and comments related to the neighborhood plan project requests, discussion and potential action on the draft Fiscal Year 2013 Capital Improvements Program Five-Year Plan, and a report from Budget Office staff on the alternative capital funding sources and uses request from the Commissioners.
No formal action was taken.

Chair Hatfield adjourned the meeting at 7:13 p.m. without objection.