



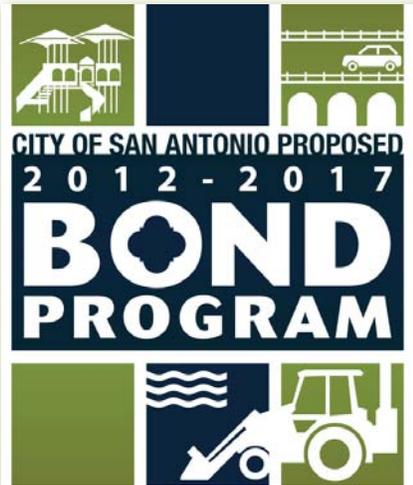
Bond Committees get to work on proposed 2012-2017 program

Community members appointed to four committees for the proposed 2012-2017 Bond Program have pored over staff-recommended projects at public-input meetings in October and November.

The committees' last meetings are scheduled for 6 p.m. December 5-8 at the Cliff Morton Development & Business Services Center at 1901 S. Alamo. The four committees will visit some of their respective projects during a tour Saturday, December 3.

The proposed Bond Program is planned for \$596 million with no property tax increase. The election is slated for May 2012.

The propositions would include Streets/Bridges/



Sidewalks - \$340 million; Drainage - \$130 million; Parks - \$65 million; and Facilities/Community Initiatives - \$61 million.

The Committee format consists of co-chairs for each committee appointed by Mayor Julián Castro and 30 members per committee with each City Council Member appointing three of the members for each committee. Mayor Castro appointed Lila Cockrell, Carri Baker Wells and Tessa Martinez Pollack as tri-chairs for the proposed Bond Program.

The committees will approve final project recommendations at the December meetings and make their recommendations to City Council in January.

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Jeff Kauffmann named new City Architect

Capital Program Manager **Jeff Kauffmann** is the new City Architect after a nationwide search.

Kauffmann will oversee the Vertical Division, including management of the City's Vertical projects.

He has worn several hats since joining CIMS in October 2010 - helping develop the proposed 2012-2017 Bond Program, overseeing Airport projects, and serving as Interim City Architect.

Kauffmann, who is a Registered Architect in Texas, has a bachelor's degree in Architecture from Arizona State University and has completed graduate work in Landscape Architecture/Planning.

Prior to coming to the City, Kauffmann oversaw the Capital Improvement Program for the University of Texas System and prior to that the Arizona State University System.

Congratulations, Jeff!

From the Director's Chair

By Mike Frisbie, P.E., City Engineer

Happy holidays, CIMS colleagues and readers of *The CAPital Letter!* Here we are, in the last month of 2011. What a year this has been.

The San Antonio Express-News wrote an article praising the City and CIMS for managing the 2007 Bond Program well. The article recognized senior-level leadership for establishing "a new culture of professionalism at City Hall that continues to pay dividends for taxpayers."

CIMS reported to City Council that, thanks to a favorable bidding environment, many of our streets and drainage Bond projects came in under budget, resulting in a Bond Program savings of \$47 million.

We had approximately 40 groundbreaking and ribbon-cutting ceremonies this year. These ceremonies showed the progress of the 2007 Bond Program and our capital improvements.

More than 90 percent of the projects in the 2007-2012 Bond Program are either complete or under construction. CIMS has stayed focused on its commitment of having the Bond Program substantially complete by June 2012.

As we move toward finishing the



Mike Frisbie talks to Willie Mitchell, a citizen serving on the 2012 Bond Facilities/Community Initiatives Committee.



2007 Bond Program on time and on budget, the City of San Antonio is well under way in developing the proposed 2012-2017 Bond Program.

The proposed \$596 million Bond Program will be allocated in four categories: Streets/Bridges/Sidewalks - \$340 million; Drainage - \$130 million; Parks - \$65 million; Facilities/Community Initiatives-\$61 million.

Mayor Julián Castro and City Council approved the recommended community members to serve on four Bond Committees, which are the same as the propositions. These Committees have each met three times since October and will meet a fourth time in December.

The Committees will also visit their respective proposition projects on Saturday, December 3, for a closer look at projects. Committee members have shown great interest in the public input process and also asked plenty of questions of City staff.

I must compliment City Council for its selection of these 128 citizens for the Bond Committees. The citizens are keenly aware of the City's capital improvements program.

For example, one Committee member asked about the projects with developer agreements. Another Committee member inquired about projects that do not have funding and possible approaches to address their requests.

I can assure the community that the Committee members are interested not only about District-specific projects, but Citywide impact. This has been a great public-input process and I look forward to finishing the task in 2012.

On behalf of CIMS, I wish everyone a happy holiday season.



Grant Ellis joins Real Estate as SPM

CIMS is pleased to welcome **Grant Ellis** to Real Estate as Special Projects Manager for the Edwards Aquifer Protection Program.

The program buys sensitive properties over the Aquifer, which is San Antonio's main water resource. The program started in 2000 with voter approval of Proposition 3, which approved a 1/8-cent addition to the local sales tax, bringing in \$45 million. Two subsequent propositions extended the program.

Ellis has a bachelor's degree in History from Trinity University and a law degree from the University of Oklahoma.

He previously worked for a land trust in McAllen and with Green Spaces Alliance in San Antonio. Ellis grew up in Fort Worth, worked in Washington, D.C., and has lived in San Antonio for six years.

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City Council will discuss the proposals in February, and is expected to call the election for May 2012.

Staff-recommended projects in Streets/Bridges/Sidewalks are 36th Street Phase IIB (Billy Mitchell to General Hudnell); Citywide Bridge Replacement; Downtown Street Reconstruction; HemisFair Park Area Redevelopment; Medical Center Intersection Improvements; U.S. 281/Loop 1604 Interchange; Blanco Road Phase II; District 1 Area Pedestrian Mobility & Street Improvements; Cherry Street (Dawson to Milam); East Commerce (Rio Grande to Houston); Peggy Road Extension; Espada Road (Loop 410 to East Ashley); Pecan Valley Drive (East Southcross to Hiawatha); Ray Ellison (Loop 410 to Old Pearsall); Villaret (Highway 16 to Jennifer); Buena Vista Corridor; Commerce Corridor; Frio Street (IH10 to Commerce); Theo & Malone Corridor; Tezel Road (Culebra Road to Timber Path); Marbach Phase IIB (Meadow Way to Loop 410); Callaghan Road (Evers to Centerview); Hausman Road (Loop 1604 to IH10); Redland Road (Loop 1604 to Ridgewood Parkway); Hardy Oak (Stone Oak to Knights Cross); Higgins/Classen Intersection Improvements; Bulverde and Classen Road Realignment; Redland Road (Loop 1604 to Jones Maltsberger); Presa Ramps at Highway 90; Cupples Road (Merida Street to Castroville Road); Ingram Road (Culebra Road to Mabe).

Staff-recommended Drainage projects are McCullough Avenue Area Drainage; Sapphire/Flora Mae (Billy to Alfred Drive); Menger Creek Drainage; Belford Area Drainage; Goliad Road (S.E. Military to Loop 410); Indian Creek Channel Improvements; Elmendorf Lake Area Improvements; Westwood Village Phase II; Mountain View Estates Phase III; Seeling Channel Drainage Improvements Phase II; Upper Woodlawn Drainage; Hausman Road (Loop 1604 to IH10); West Avenue Low Water Crossing Improvements; Belfast and Janda Susan Drainage Improvements; Mud Creek Tributary A Drainage Improvements; Redland Road (Loop 1604 to Ridgewood Parkway) Drainage Improvements; Quail Creek Tributary Drainage Improvements.

Staff-recommended projects in Parks are Alamo Plaza; HemisFair Park; Veterans Memorial Plaza; Brackenridge Park; Hardberger Park; McAllister Park; Southside Lions Park; Woodlawn Lake Park; Olmos Basin Park; San Pedro Springs Park; Travis Park; Beacon Hill Phase II Park; Dellview Park; West End Park; Columbus Park; Los Angeles Heights Park; MLK Park; Copernicus Park; J Street Park; Lou Kardon Park; Pershing Park; Pittman-Sullivan Park; Lakeside Park; Coliseum Park; Highland Park; Stinson Park (5 Diamonds); Pickwell Park; Jim Mattox Park; Pytel Park; Pearsall Park; Golden



Bond Committee Tri-Chairs Tessa Martinez Pollack and Lila Cockrell listen to discussion at one of the Committee meetings.

Community Park; Heritage Duck Pond Park; Elmendorf Park; San Antonio Natatorium; Benavides Park; Collins Garden Park; Las Palmas Park; Palm Heights Park; Rosedale Park; Westside YMCA at Rosedale Park; NW Area Recreational Facility; Tom Slick Creek Park; Acme Park; Cathedral Park; Cuellar Park; Oscar Perez Park; Levi Strauss Park; New Territories Park; French Creek Park; Gilbert Garza Park; Joe Ward Park; Nani Falcone Park; Sunset Hills Park; Botanical Gardens; Japanese Tea Gardens; Panther Springs Park; Stone Oak Park; Walker Ranch; Lady Bird Johnson Park; Comanche Lookout; Gold Canyon Park; Raintree Park; Scates Park.

Staff-recommended Facilities/Community Initiatives projects are Witte Museum; Central Library; Animal Care Center Kennels; Municipal Golf Course Improvements; Children's Museum; Renovations to Branch Libraries (Landa, San Pedro and Westfall); Renovations to Carver Library; Fire Station 18; Fire Station 30; One Stop Community Center; Renovations to Branch Libraries (Cortez, Johnston and Pan Am); Renovations to Branch Libraries (Bazan, Collins Gardens, Las Palmas, and Memorial); Renovations to Branch Libraries (Great Northwest and Guerra); Renovations to Branch Libraries (Forest Hills and Maverick); Renovations to Cody Branch Library; Fire Station 32; District 9 New Branch Library; Renovations to Brook Hollow Branch Library; District 10 New Senior Center; Renovations to Branch Libraries (Thousand Oaks and Tobin).

Each of the propositions includes 1 percent for public art.

Committee members and citizens have endorsed the staff-recommended projects, and also submitted requests for consideration of additional projects. More information is available on the 2012 Bond web page - www.sanantonio.gov/2012Bond.

Jim Mattox Family, community celebrate new park

District 3 City Councilwoman Jennifer V. Ramos, CIMS and the Parks & Recreation departments, community leaders, Mission Del Lago Homeowners Association, and the Jim Mattox Family celebrated the opening of a new park named for the late state leader.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony for Jim Mattox Park was held November 19 at 1222 Mission Grande, located outside the Mission Del Lago Golf Course Clubhouse.

This project, with a total approved budget of \$200,000, is part of the City's 2007-2012 Bond Program.

Formerly called Mission Del Lago Area Park Development, the first phase of construction provided for a tennis court, sidewalks, Americans with Disabilities Act modifications to the existing parking lot, and landscaping.

In September 2009, Mission Del Lago Limited donated 3 acres of a larger 99.7-acre parcel located south of Loop 410 and west of U.S. 281 South



District 3 City Councilwoman Jennifer V. Ramos (third from left); Marta Mattox (next to her, in black); Parks & Recreation Director Xavier Urrutia; Virginia Rogers, President of Mission Del Lago Homeowners Association; and officers of Mission Del Lago HOA cut a ribbon outside the new tennis court at Jim Mattox Park.

to the City for park land. The donor asked that the park be named Jim Mattox Park as stated in the land deed.

Mattox, who served Texas as Attorney General, Congressman and State Representative, died November 20, 2008. His widow, Marta Mattox, was at the ceremony to speak about her late husband's impact on Mission

Del Lago.

TBG Partners was the design consultant and All 1 Contracting was the contractor. City staff directly involved with the project were **Mark Wittlinger** and **Eric Reyna** from CIMS and Sandy Jenkins from Parks & Recreation.

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Happy birthday in December

CIMS wishes our employees a happy birthday in December:

Jaime Camero, Vertical (2nd); **Rolando Lerma**, Horizontal (9th); **Carlos Mendez**, Vertical (10th); **Sean Strong**, Horizontal (14th); **Aurelia Marotta**, Fiscal Services (15th); **Steve Hodges**, Real Estate (21st); **Claudia Ovalles**, SBEDA (22nd); **Elizabeth Vidal**, Horizontal (23rd); **Lauren Faske**, Public Art San Antonio (29th); **Luis Maltos**, Technical Services (30th); **Ricardo Ramirez**, Horizontal (30th); **Victor Maldonado**, Technical Services (31st).

Happy Holidays
to you and your family!