



From the Director's Chair - *By Mike Frisbie, P.E., City Engineer*

Greetings! I hope you are doing well.

Preparations for the City of San Antonio's proposed 2012-2017 Bond Program are under way as Mayor Julián Castro and the City Council approved City staff recommendations toward development of the planned \$596 million program.

The proposed 2012-2017 Bond Program will be allocated in four categories: Streets/Bridges/Sidewalks, Drainage, Parks, and Facilities/Community Initiatives. The election is planned for May 2012.

Mayor Castro and City Council approved the recommended community members to serve on four Bond Committees. The Mayor appointed Lila Cockrell, Carri Baker Wells and Tessa Martinez Pollack as tri-chairs for the proposed 2012-2017 Bond.

The four Committees are based on the Bond Program allocations of Streets/Bridges/Sidewalks, Drainage, Parks, and Facilities/Community Initiatives. The Committee meetings are open to the public and are scheduled for October, November and December.

The Committee format consists of co-chairs for each committee appointed by the Mayor and 30 members per committee with each City Council Member appointing three of the members for each committee.

The \$596 million program is proposed as follows: Streets/Bridges/Sidewalks - \$340 million; Drainage - \$130 million; Parks - \$65 million; and Facilities/Community Initiatives - \$61 million.

Community input will be emphasized throughout the 2012-2017 Bond process, as in the 2007-2012 Bond Program development process.



The 2007-2012 Bond process included development of lists of staff-recommended projects, appointment of Community Bond Committees for project recommendation, and Mayor and City Council approval of the project list for the public's consideration.

The Mayor and City Council also approved a list of Guiding Principles to be used in the selection of projects for the proposed 2012-2017 Bond Program. The list includes Coordination with other agencies, Increase connectivity, Leverage funds, Project continuation, Investment in major corridors, Investment in areas with the greatest need, Rough proportionality, Improve public safety/economic development, Plan support, Complete streets, Environmental sustainability, and Operating/maintenance budget impact.

One of the key principles in the selection of projects for the proposed 2012-2017 Bond Program is rough proportionality, which also was used in the 2007-2012 Bond Program. This is based on principles that projects selected provide roughly equal improvement resources across the City.

More than 90 percent of the projects in the 2007-2012 Bond Program are either complete or under construction.

While we press forward on all the programs, projects, and tasks that CIMS is involved in, I want to ensure you are up to speed on the 2012 Bond Program.

Thanks to the hard work of many of us in CIMS and a number of client departments, we are taking the staff-recommended 2012 Bond projects to the four citizen Bond Committees for public discussion. Keep up the good work everyone and always remember, no matter what your role is in CIMS, we need you and all your efforts!

Ribbon-cuttings celebrate projects at Kelly Area, Apache Creek parks

CIMS and the Parks & Recreation departments came together in September to observe the completion of projects at Kelly Area and Apache Creek parks.

District 5 City Councilman David Medina Jr. joined CIMS and Parks & Recreation to celebrate the improvements at both parks.

On September 7, students from nearby Kelly Elementary School participated in the official opening of the new playground at Kelly Area Park, located at 949 W. Thompson Place. The \$200,000 project added a playground to the 3.5-acre park.

Pat Schneider was the CIMS Project Manager. **Eric Reyna**, CIMS Design and Development Assistant, also was involved in the project.

TBG Partners was the design consultant and TCL Construction Enterprises Inc. was the contractor.

On September 14, Councilman Medina visited Apache Creek Park to observe the improvements from the 2007-2012 Bond Program.

Improvements at Apache Creek Park included construction of a pavilion in the 2500 block of South Laredo Street between Trinity and Navidad streets. The park covers 80 acres over a 3.8-mile hike and bike trail.

The project budget was \$150,000. In addition to the new pavilion for the picnic areas, park improvements at included Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades to walkways and the parking area, and a toilet enclosure (a structure built to secure and screen portable toilets).



District 5 Councilman David Medina Jr., City staff, and students cut the ribbon for the new Kelly Area Park playground.



Mark Wittlinger, Natalie Balderrama, Councilman David Medina Jr., and Rodney Dziuk celebrate the new Apache Creek Park pavilion.

Mark Wittlinger was the Contracting was the contractor and CIMS Project Manager. Tropical CFZ Group was the design consultant.

Happy birthday in October

CIMS wishes our employees a happy birthday in October:

Desiree Alderete, Contract Services (3rd); **Terri Lee**,

Real Estate (4th); **Yolanda Marquart**, Vertical (4th); **Angela Rangel**, Director's Office (7th); **Pat Schneider**, Vertical (14th); **Brenda Werts**, Fiscal Services (19th); **Ronald De Leon**, Technical Services (24th); **Noe Del Valle**, Technical Services (28th); **Richard De La Cruz**, Horizontal (31st).



De La Cruz named PM in Horizontal

Richard De La Cruz, P.E., has joined CIMS as a Project Manager in the Horizontal Division.

De La Cruz previously worked at Texas Department of Transportation for six years. He worked for the City for four years before that, in Public Works and in Development Services with the Traffic Impact Analysis.

He also worked for the California Department of Transportation.

The El Paso native is a 1990 graduate of Texas A&M University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering.

He is married to Christina De La Cruz, P.E., who is in Public Works. They have two children - 15-year-old Christian and 13-year-old Julian.

De La Cruz has been given some projects, with staff assignments pending.

Welcome to the CIMS family!

Open house shows off replacement Fire Station #19

The San Antonio Fire Department opened the doors of a new replacement fire station September 24.

Fire Station #19's firefighters moved from their old station down the road to the larger facility with modern amenities.

City dignitaries - including District 1 City Councilman Diego Bernal, Deputy City Manager Erik Walsh, and Fire Chief Charles Hood - helped officially open the new station and welcome the public inside for a view of the 15,000-square-foot building.

The new station will serve the same area as before, but will now work out of a facility designed for the current needs of the fire service.

CIMS staff directly involved in this project were Senior Architect **Mark Beavers** and Project Manager **Dale Lange**.



Deputy City Manager Erik Walsh, District 1 City Councilman Diego Bernal, and Fire Chief Charles Hood participate in a 'hose uncoupling' ceremony at Fire Station 19.

Highlights from the CIMS Quarterly Meeting - September 30



*LEFT PHOTO: Mike Frisbie congratulates Real Estate Specialist **Carroll Coston** for his selection to the CIMS Wall of Honor for Exceptional Customer Service Recognition. MIDDLE PHOTO: Mike Frisbie recognizes Contract*



*Specialist **Angelica Mata** for her induction to the Wall of Honor. RIGHT PHOTO: Mike Frisbie honors **David Segovia** from Real Estate for 30 years of service. Thirty-year employee **Manuel Garcia**, Technical Services, did not attend.*



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LEFT PHOTO: Mike Frisbie (left) welcomes employees who received 20-year City service pins. Shown left to right are **Manuel De La Torre** (Technical Services), **Cynthia Story** (Technical Services), **Bill Hensley** (Vertical), and **Carisa Gamez** (Contracts). **RIGHT PHOTO:** Mike Frisbie stands with employees who earned 15-year service pins - **Ricardo Montes** (Technical Services) and **John Cantu** (Environmental Management). Twenty-five-year employee **Manuel Martinez** (Technical Services) did not attend.



Mike Frisbie (right) stands with employees who picked up 10-year service pins. They are, left to right, **Carlos Mendez** (Vertical), **Elvia Fernandez** (Contracts), **Dale Lange** (Vertical), **James Bennett** (Web Portal), **Debbie Sittre** (Director's Office), and **Angelica Mata** (Contracts). Unable to attend was **Richard Grochowski** (Horizontal). Five-year pin recipient **Marta Luitin-Atkin** (Technical Services) also could not attend.

Construction Inspector **Ronald De Leon**, unable to attend the Quarterly Meeting, was nominated for the CIMS Wall of Honor. He received honorable mention. Employees are encouraged to nominate their CIMS colleagues - individuals or

teams - for Exceptional Customer Service Recognition. Winners will be announced at the next Quarterly Meeting. For a nomination application, please contact CIMS Public Relations Manager **Roland Martinez**.

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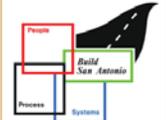
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Building a Great San Antonio

Our Core Values

- Accountability & Integrity
- Enjoying every day
- Respecting our customers
- Valuing our diversity & history
- Forward thinking

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Hensleys hit Scotland



Bill Hensley, one of the CIMS City Architects, took his family to chill in Scotland the last half of our hot August. The family visited incredible shades of green in Edinburgh, Inverness and Glasgow. Son Will returned to New York City to continue making music, while Bill, Patrice and Victoria added a brief stop in historic York, England, before heading home to warm up.