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Agenda

College Station City Council

Workshop Meeting

Thursday, August 22, 2013, 4:30 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers, 1101 Texas Avenue

College Station, Texas

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Executive Session will be held in the Administrative Conference Room.
Consultation with Attorney {Gov't Code Section 551.071}; possible action. The City Council may seek advice from its attorney regarding a pending or contemplated litigation subject or settlement offer or attorney-client privileged information. Litigation is an ongoing process and questions may arise as to a litigation tactic or settlement offer, which needs to be discussed with the City Council. Upon occasion the City Council may need information from its attorney as to the status of a pending or contemplated litigation subject or settlement offer or attorney-client privileged information. After executive session discussion, any final action or vote taken will be in public. The following subject(s) may be discussed:

Litigation
 - a. College Station v. Star Insurance Co., Civil Action No. 4:11-CV-02023
 - b. Patricia Kahlden, individ. and as rep. of the Estate of Lillie May Williams Bayless v. Laura Sue Streigler, City of College Station and James Steven Elkins, No. 11-003172-CV-272, in the 272nd District Court of Brazos County, Tx.
 - c. Cause No. 12-002918-CV-361; Tom Jagielski v. City of College Station; In the 361st Judicial District Court, Brazos County, Texas
 - d. Robyn Taylor, individually and as next friend of Faith Taylor, a minor child v. Lincoln Recreation Center, Cause No. 13-001244-CV-361, in the 361st District Court, Brazos County, Texas

Legal Advice

- a. Legal advice regarding the City's next generation bandwidth effort
- b. October 2006 Economic Development Agreement with Radakor, L.L.C.

Personnel {Gov't Code Section 551.074}; possible action - The City Council may deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer. After executive session discussion, any final action or vote taken will be in public. The following public officer(s) may be discussed:

- a. City Manager

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Economic Incentive Negotiations {Gov't Code Section 551.087}; possible action The City Council may deliberate on commercial or financial information that the City Council has received from a business prospect that the City Council seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city with which the City Council in conducting economic development negotiations may deliberate on an offer of financial or other incentives for a business prospect. After executive session discussion, any final action or vote taken will be in public. The following subject(s) may be discussed:

- a. Economic incentives for a proposed development located near the intersection of Holleman South and Rock Prairie Road West in College Station.

3. Take action, if any, on Executive Session.

6:00 PM**Presentation:**

- Presentation to the Brazos Valley Fair & Expo proclaiming September 2 – 6, 2013 as Brazos Valley Fair Week.

4. Presentation, possible action, and discussion on items listed on the consent agenda.

5. Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding new construction sidewalk priorities.

6. Council Calendar

August 28	Economic Development Committee Meeting in City Manager's Office Meeting Room at 2:00 p.m.
August 29	Council Transportation & Mobility Committee Meeting in Room 203 Conference Room A Municipal Court at 3:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	City Offices Closed – HOLIDAY
Sept. 3	Bicycle, Pedestrian & Greenways Advisory Board Meeting in Council Chambers at 3:00 p.m.
Sept. 5	P & Z Workshop/Meeting in Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. (John Nichols, Liaison)
Sept. 11	Union Pacific check presentation for 75th Anniversary in Council Chambers at 10:30 a.m.
Sept. 12	Executive Session/Workshop/Regular Meeting at 4:30, 6:00 & 7:00 p.m.

7. Presentation, possible action, and discussion on future agenda items and review of standing list of Council generated agenda items: A Council Member may inquire about a subject for which notice has not been given. A statement of specific factual information or the recitation of existing policy may be given. Any deliberation shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on an agenda for a subsequent meeting.

8. Discussion, review and possible action regarding the following meetings: Animal Shelter Board, Arts Council of Brazos Valley, Arts Council Sub-committee, Audit Committee, Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Greenways Advisory Board, Bio-Corridor Board of Adjustments, Blinn College Brazos Valley Advisory Committee, Brazos County Health Dept., Brazos Valley Council of Governments, Bryan/College Station Chamber of Commerce, Budget and Finance Committee, BVSWMA, BVWACS, Compensation and Benefits Committee, Convention & Visitors Bureau, Design Review Board, Economic Development Committee, Gigabit Broadband Initiative, Historic Preservation

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Committee, Interfaith Dialogue Association, Intergovernmental Committee, Joint Relief Funding Review Committee, Landmark Commission, Library Board, Metropolitan Planning Organization, Parks and Recreation Board, Planning and Zoning Commission, Research Valley Partnership, Research Valley Technology Council, Regional Transportation Committee for Council of Governments, Transportation and Mobility Committee, TAMU Student Senate, Texas Municipal League, Twin City Endowment, Youth Advisory Council, Zoning Board of Adjustments, (Notice of Agendas posted on City Hall bulletin board).

9. Adjourn.

APPROVED:

Kathleen Memeel
City Manager

Notice is hereby given that an Executive Session and Workshop Meeting of the City Council of the City of College Station, Texas will be held on the 22nd day of August, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. respectively in the City Hall Council Chambers, 1101 Texas Avenue, College Station, Texas. The following subjects will be discussed, to wit: See Agenda.

Posted this 16th day of August, 2013 at 5:00 pm

Sherry Markham by [Signature]
City Secretary

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of College Station, Texas, is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the bulletin board at City Hall, 1101 Texas Avenue, in College Station, Texas, and the City's website, www.cstx.gov . The Agenda and Notice are readily accessible to the general public at all times. Said Notice and Agenda were posted on August 16, 2013 at 5:00 pm and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours proceeding the scheduled time of said meeting.

This public notice was removed from the official board at the College Station City Hall on the following date and time: _____ by _____.
Dated this _____ day of _____, 2013.

CITY OF COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS By _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the _____ day of _____, 2013.

Notary Public – Brazos County, Texas My commission expires: _____

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August 22, 2013
Workshop Agenda Item No. 5
New Construction Sidewalk Priorities

To: Kathy Merrill, Interim City Manager

From: Bob Cowell, AICP, CNU-A, Executive Director - Planning & Development Services

Agenda Caption: Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding new construction sidewalk priorities.

Relationship to Strategic Goals: Core Services and Infrastructure, Neighborhood Integrity, Improving Mobility, and Sustainable City.

Recommendation(s): Staff recommends the City Council receive the presentation and provide comments as desired.

Summary: The Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Greenways Advisory Board began meeting in February of 2013 to evaluate the methodology used for prioritizing new sidewalks based on questions that had been presented by City Council on the sidewalk priorities. The Board went through multiple iterations to improve the methodology and finalized their recommendations in July of 2013. Staff will provide an overview of how they arrived at their recommendation and the priority criteria used during workshop.

The Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Greenways Master Plan (BPGMP), a component of the Comprehensive Plan, was approved by City Council in January 2010. Some of the goals of the plan are to improve connectivity and accessibility, increase safety and increase walking outdoors. The Plan identified over 110 miles of new sidewalks to be constructed some of which would be constructed with development. A methodology was established to prioritize the sidewalk projects proposed with the help of a Technical Task Force and citizen input. Priority criteria included population density, safety-proximity to pedestrian crashes, public requests, and proximity to schools, parks, and other key destinations, etc.

Since the adoption of the BPGMP, additional components have been introduced to how new sidewalk projects are prioritized. They include Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) project requests and projects identified in Council adopted Neighborhood Plans. The last set of funds made available for new sidewalk projects was allocated in the 2008 Bond Referendum at \$300,000. Those funds were used to construct the Lincoln Avenue Sidewalk Project (determined before the new sidewalk prioritization process was created) and the Dexter Drive Sidewalk Project (an ADA request).

In November 2012, the budgeting process for FY14 began and staff submitted a list of unfunded sidewalk projects based on the above methodology. From that list Guadalupe Drive (an ADA request) was selected by staff for the FY14 budget proposal (see attached map).

In January 2013, Council directed the Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Greenways Advisory Board to reevaluate the methodology used to prioritize new sidewalk projects and the Board began discussing this item in February. At that time, staff was directed by the Board to make changes to the methodology due to changes in existing conditions and presented the results to the Board in March. The results only created a slight change in project priorities and the Board directed staff to bring back additional information to the next meeting to continue the discussion. The item was tabled in April due to a lack of time for adequate discussion. In

May, the Board changed the priority criteria to the following rank order: 1) Population Density, 2) Safety-Proximity to Pedestrian Crashes, 3) Proximity to existing and future schools, 4) Proximity to existing and future parks, 5) Public requests, 6) Proximity to Texas A&M University, 7) Proximity to other key destinations, and 8) Bus Stops. In June, after reviewing the results of the changed methodology, staff was directed to change the priority criteria again to the following rank order: 1) Population Density, Safety-Proximity to Pedestrian Crashes, and Proximity to existing and future schools (all equal in priority), 2) Proximity to existing and future parks, 3) Public requests, 4) Proximity to Texas A&M University, 5) Proximity to other key destinations, and 6) Bus Stops. In July, the Board agreed upon the new list of priority projects based on the revised methodology as listed below (see attached map):

1. George Bush Drive East – Dominik Drive to University Oaks Blvd.
2. Dominik Drive – George Bush Drive East to Regency Village Apartments
3. Dexter Drive – Winding Road to Gabbard Park
4. Munson Avenue – connection to Harvey Road
5. Dexter Drive - Gabbard Park to Llano Place
6. Dominik Drive – Stallings Drive to Munson Avenue
7. Harvey Road – gaps from Texas Avenue to SH 6
8. Scarlett O’Hara Drive – University Oaks Blvd. to Harvey Road
9. Georgia Street – Holleman Drive to Nevada Street

The methodology evaluated by the Board will be reviewed every 5 years with updates to the Plan and the list of projects to be submitted for budget review will occur annually. As stated above, a list of unfunded sidewalk projects was included in the FY 14 budget cycle. The Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Greenways Advisory Board recommends funding the list of projects identified in the FY14 budget proposal and further recommends that the above list supplement those projects should additional funding be provided in FY14 and/or be included for review in the FY15 budget.

Budget & Financial Summary: N/A

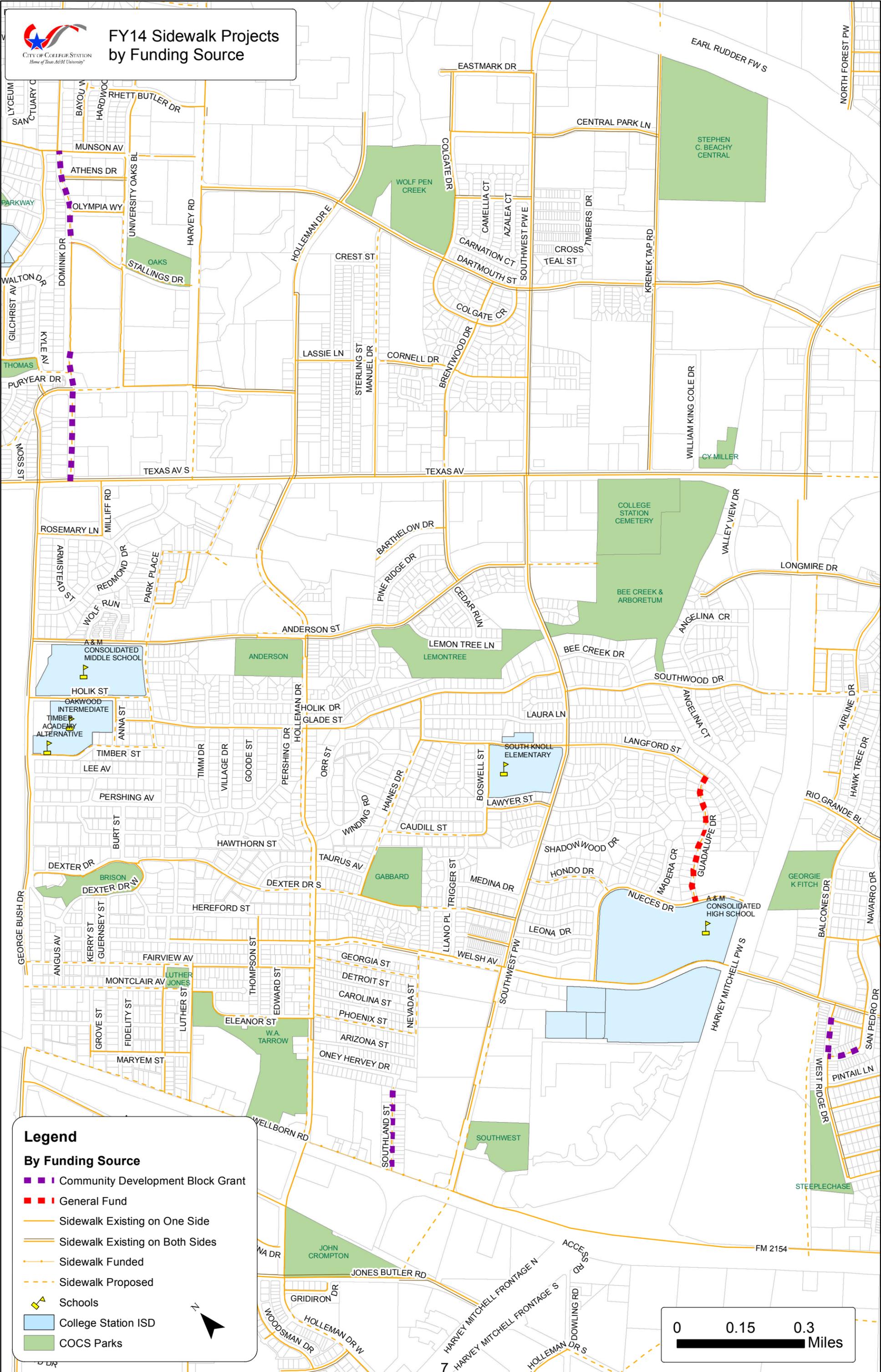
Reviewed and Approved by Legal: N/A

Attachments:

1. Map of FY14 Sidewalk Projects by Funding Source
2. Map of Additional FY14 or Future Sidewalk Projects Proposed by BPG Board



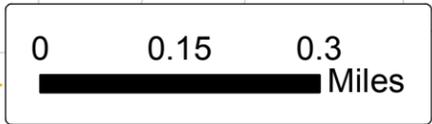
FY14 Sidewalk Projects by Funding Source



Legend

By Funding Source

- Community Development Block Grant
- General Fund
- Sidewalk Existing on One Side
- Sidewalk Existing on Both Sides
- Sidewalk Funded
- Sidewalk Proposed
- Schools
- College Station ISD
- COCS Parks





Additional FY14 or Future Sidewalk Projects Proposed by the BPG Board



Legend

- - - Sidewalk Priorities by BPG Board
- Sidewalk Existing on One Side
- Sidewalk Existing on Both Sides
- Sidewalk Funded
- - - Sidewalk Proposed
- Schools
- College Station ISD
- COCS Parks

