

On Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2014, Denton citizens will have the opportunity to approve \$98,175,000 in bonds to finance a six-year construction program. The categories and dollar amounts listed in this brochure are what voters will be asked to consider.

The proposed projects represent the program the City Council intends to undertake to accomplish the intent of the approved propositions. However, the City Council shall have the right to abandon or modify a project or its amount or source of funding if, in the City Council's opinion, conditions materially change such that the project, as originally proposed, is unwise or unnecessary or funding is otherwise available.

The bond program process included a year of intense planning and study, and guidance from a 51-member Citizen Bond Advisory Committee, City Council, City staff, and Denton citizens. More than 160 citizen comments were collected through a variety of methods including public meetings, emails, phone calls, and web surveys. The City of Denton thanks you for your participation and asks that you please study the facts carefully and vote on the propositions on Nov. 4, 2014.

#### 2014 Bond Program Impact on Property Taxes

The expenditures authorized in the bond election would be funded by General Obligation Bonds, which are repaid by property taxes. As proposed, it is anticipated that this program would require an increase in the ad valorem property tax rate of up to three cents per \$100 of assessed value. The average value of a home in Denton is \$166,728 and would see an increase in the tax levy of around \$50 per year, or \$4.17 per month. These projections are based on current financial conditions, trends, and forecasts and may change based on actual future market and economic conditions.

## **2014 Bond Election**

Aug. 12	City Council calls election for \$98,175,000
Oct. 20-31	Early voting period
Nov. 4	Bond election — polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.



# Overview of Major Program Areas

For detailed project information, and for a list of street reconstruction projects, visit www.cityofdenton.com. For information about voting, Denton County Elections can be reached by phone at (940) 349-3200 or by email at elections@dentoncounty.com.

For more information about the City of Denton 2014 Bond Program, visit www.cityofdenton.com or call Chuck Springer, Director of Finance, at (940) 349-8260.



Election Date: Nov. 4, 2014

#### Proposition No. 1: Street Improvements Proposed Projects \$61,710,000 (62.8%)

Proposition No. 1 authorizes the sale of \$61,710,000 in public securities for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing, restructuring and extending streets, roadways, bridges, overpasses, pedestrianways, sidewalks, landscaping, streetscapes, collectors, storm drains, signalization, signage, other traffic and signal controls, traffic control and transportation facilities, street lighting and median improvements; up to \$30,000 of such principal amount for acquiring, constructing, and installing public art related to and being part of some or all of the foregoing; and the purchase of land, as necessary, to support these improvements.

- Street Reconstruction \$24,000,000 (see www.cityofdenton.com for list)
- Bonnie Brae Street \$9,500,000 (1-35E to North of Scripture Road)
- Bonnie Brae Street \$6,100,000 (University Drive to Windsor Drive)
- Ruddell Street Extension \$5,780,000
  (at Mingo Road)
- Hickory Creek Road \$3,000,000 (FM 2181 to Riverpass Drive)
- Traffic Signal Improvements \$3,000,000
- Morse Street Expansion \$2,900,000
   (Loop 288 to Mayhill Road)
- Roadway Improvements \$2,000,000 (various locations)
- Sidewalk Improvements \$2,000,000 (various locations)
- Transportation Division
   Facility \$1,500,000
- Railroad Quiet Zones \$930,000
   (Union Pacific Railroad North)
- Wheeler Ridge Connection \$620,000
  (FM 2181 at Jordan Lane)
- Railroad Quiet Zones \$350,000
   (McKinney Street to Prairie Street)
- Public Art \$30,000

### **Proposition No. 2: Public Safety Facilities for Police and Fire Departments Proposed Projects** \$16,565,000 (16.9%)

Proposition No. 2 authorizes the issuance of \$16,565,000 of public securities for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing, renovating, improving, expanding, equipping, and furnishing public safety facilities for the Police and Fire departments, including related utility infrastructure, drainage, landscaping, and site and access improvements; up to \$325,000 of such principal amount for acquiring, constructing, and installing public art related to and being part of some or all of the foregoing; and the purchase of land, as necessary to support these projects.

- Reconstruction of Fire Station No. 3 \$8,620,000
- Reconstruction of Fire Station No. 4 \$5,020,000
- Communications Center and Criminal
   Investigations Bureau Relocation \$2,000,000
- Police Firing Range Improvements \$485,000
- Public Art \$325,000
- Police Lobby Renovation \$115,000

### Proposition No. 3: Stormwater Drainage and Flood Control Improvements Proposed Projects \$8,545,000 (8.7%)

Proposition No. 3 authorizes the issuance of \$8,545,000 of public securities for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing, restructuring, and installing stormwater drainage and flood control improvements; related utility relocation and bridge and street modifications or removal; and the purchase of land, as necessary, to support these improvements.

- Magnolia Street/Hinkle Drive Drainage, Phase 2 — \$2,557,000
- Pecan Creek Drainage Improvements, Phase 2 — \$2,485,000
- Eagle Drive Drainage Improvements, Phase 2 — \$2,097,000
- South Bell Avenue Drainage System \$806,000
- Hickory Street Drainage and Trunk Line
- System \$600,000

#### Proposition No. 4: Park System Improvements Proposed Projects \$11,355,000 (11.6%)

Proposition No. 4 authorizes the issuance of \$11,355,000 of public securities for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing, renovating, improving, expanding and equipping park improvements, including beautification, trails, athletic fields, water parks, swimming pools, park buildings, and recreation facilities; up to \$180,000 of such principal amount for acquiring, constructing, and installing public art related to and being part of some or all of the foregoing; and the purchase of land, as necessary, to support these improvements.

- Tennis Center
  - Remodel/Expansion \$3,444,000
- Water Works Park Additions \$2,443,000
- Vela Soccer Complex Phase II Construction — \$1,333,000
- Southwest Park Master Plan and Design — \$1,255,000
- Property Acquisition \$1,005,000
- Playground Replacements \$890,000

- Parks Improvements \$355,000
- Trail System Expansion and Addition — \$250,000
- Sprayground \$200,000
- Public Art \$180,000