

MINUTES
Monday, January 10, 2022

APPROVED
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I. CALL TO ORDER

The BOCC Special Management Conference met at the hour of 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room at Chandler Park, 6500 West 21st Street, Tulsa, OK, with the following members present: Commissioners Stan Saltee, Karen Keith and Ron Peters. Other attendees included Chief Deputies Michael Craddock, Keri Fothergill, and Vicki Adams; Micheal Willis, Miyuki Dwyer and Aaron Wiedman representing Tulsa County Clerk's Office; Devin Egan and Jarrel Wade representing the Communications Department; Douglas Wilson and James Rea representing the Tulsa County District Attorney's Office; Corbin Brewster and Owen Foulkes representing the Tulsa County Public Defender's Office; Joseph Kralicek representing Tulsa Area Emergency Management Agency; Alan Vanderburg representing IT Department; John Weidman and Melissa Westfall, Bond Counsel representing Hilborne & Weidman; Randy Nelson, Bond Counsel representing DA Davidson; Vincent Trinidad representing Tulsa County Parks Department; Bob Jack, Tulsa County Citizen; Roger Flud representing Schneider Electric; and Sherry Langston, Recording Secretary. Chairman Keith called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. thanking Commissioners Peters and Saltee for their diligence in getting the current CARES/ARPA projects vetted and funded the last two years. She also thanked all those involved on the CARES/ARPA committee. The goal of today's meeting is to identify the priorities and the funding sources.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Project and Funding Sources

Alan Vanderburg provided written financial reports that he reviewed for the committee explaining the spreadsheet's format and how the information was submitted. He explained the goal in designing the spreadsheets was to detail all the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) applications that were approved reflecting the approved amount, balance of each project, and collaborations to fund the projects.

B. External Funding Options - John Weidman / Randy Nelson

John Weidman and Randy Nelson provided written reports explaining external funding sources. Weidman and Nelson each detailed the potential funding sources and how to obtain those funds. Weidman explained it could include tax bonds or GO bonds for community or industrial development. He reviewed Article 10, Section 35 Bonds' information that pertained to the State legislature's definition of economic or community development. Weidman and Nelson discussed examples of projects that could qualify under Article 10. Nelson gave examples of sales and use tax financing opportunities to the committee.

C. Vision Funding Options - Kirby Crowe

Kirby Crowe provided a written summary of Vision Tulsa funds and reviewed the categories for the committee. Crowe detailed the available funds and what sources generated the funds; other potential funds available; future funds available beginning July 1, 2021; previous projects that have been identified but have incomplete funding; and projects that are considered unfunded commitments.

D. ARPA/Infrastructure Funding - Terry Simonson

Terry Simonson provided reports pertaining to ARPA funds and the projects that have been approved, and a summary of the internal requests and non-profit requests/special units of government requests. Simonson explained the federal Treasury Department issued the final ARPA rules January 6, 2022 and noted they become effective April 1, 2022. He summarized the changes in the rules and how those would affect the distribution of funds on approved ARPA projects and future ARPA projects. Simonson explained he will review the final rules in their entirety, share the changes with the committee, and how the changes affect the applicant. Simonson reviewed the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and how it will affect Oklahoma.

E. Additional Funding Sources

Joseph Kralicek, Director of the Tulsa Area Emergency Management Agency (TAEMA), provided a written report, FEMA Grant Programs Overview. Kralicek summarized the types of grants available, potential monies provided by the grants, types of projects that the grants could fund, types of matched funding or services that would be required for the grants, and the timeline for approval for the grants.

F. Project Priorities

Written reports were submitted detailing the projects. Vanderburg explained the format of the reports and the information detailed on the reports. He reviewed which projects were ARPA funded and which ones were non-ARPA funded. The committee reviewed the projects ranking them in order of importance with a "1" being the highest priority, a "2" medium priority and a "3" being the lowest priority. He explained the projects could be reviewed and reassessed as the ARPA funds are dispersed. The committee discussed the projects as they were being ranked. Funding for the projects and other funding sources were explored and discussed during the ranking process.

III. NEW BUSINESS

In accordance with the Open Meeting Act, Title 25 O.S. § 311.A.10, new business is defined as any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting the agenda.

None.

IV. ADJOURN

Motion made by Ron Perters, seconded by Stan Salled to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

Upon roll call, Yes - Stan Sallee, Ron Peters, Karen Keith. No- None. Abstain - None. Motion carried.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


Karen Keith, Chairman

Attest:





Michael Willis, County Clerk