

be a nice place to have it. Mr. Dayhoff stated he spoke with Vince Romero and he thought the picnic area would be a good place. Ms. Delk stated there was room on the north side of the front entrance. Mr. Dayhoff stated he did not think they had a lot of room for pavement. He stated Mr. Romero may want to do something special with it so he will visit with him some more. Mr. Brothers stated they are doing fundraisers with various schools as well, but they are doing tumblers with them.

Mr. Brothers stated his idea was to go through the zoo website and have forms for people to fill out on there. He stated he did not know how to promote it. Ms. Burroughes asked Mr. Dayhoff if MainStreet was doing something like this at the Railroad Park. Mr. Dodson stated they did speak with Ms. Pellegrino-Spear about this. She was working with a company in Albuquerque and ZBro Graphics can match their cost or possibly be less expensive. The \$15 or \$20 a brick has no hidden cost. Ms. Burroughes asked if they were slippery when they are wet. Mr. Brothers advised they were not.

Commissioner Elliott asked if they would wear down after being walked on. Mr. Brothers stated it would take many years for that to happen. Mr. Brothers stated it burns the clay.

Mayor Pro Tem Garza stated this was something they could benefit from but they need to find a place that will benefit. He did not think the entrance was a good place. He suggested a more visible place for them. Mr. Howalt stated not knowing the size of the project is harder to find a place.

Ms. Delk asked what size an area 50 bricks would be. Mr. Brothers stated about a 4 foot by 4 foot area. Ms. Delk asked if their company would put the bricks in. Mr. Brothers stated they would have to talk to a brick layer, but could probably get that donated.

Commissioner Elliott stated putting them inside would be a better idea so they don't get vandalized. Commissioner Martin asked if they could put logos. Mr. Dodson stated they may have to charge a little more for logos and would have to have a good image. Commissioner Martin asked if they could put images on multiple bricks. Mr. Brothers stated that could be done. They are limited on the weight they can put in the laser, 6 are the most they can put at a time. Mr. Dodson stated they are limited to three lines per brick.

Ms. Burroughes stated the railroad park is a city owned park. They could talk about various locations around town. Mr. Howalt stated he would keep them two separate projects, but they need some type of footprint so they know how many bricks to sell. Mayor Pro Tem Garza made a motion to table this until the next meeting; Ms. Delk seconded the motion. Ms. Burroughes asked if this would be a C.A.R.E.S. project. Mr. Dayhoff stated he would have to talk with Mr. Romero about this. Mr. Dayhoff stated this would be a great project and they are always getting requests for memorials so they could do this in phases. Ms. Burroughes stated they do receive requests from the public so a phase project would be a good idea. This item passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item No. 5 - Discussion and action regarding prairie dogs at the Ghaffari property

Commissioner Madrid stated there were a lot of holes in the park itself and he has received numerous complaints coming from that area. Ms. Delk asked if they are being trapped or killed. Commissioner Madrid stated Mr. Ghaffari was supposed to have trapped them and taken them somewhere, but he hasn't done that. Mayor Pro Tem Garza stated if the city got permission from the owner then they could do something. They have notified the property owners regarding the situation. Mr. Howalt stated they have notified the property owner and are sending out a follow up letter to supply an action plan within 5

days. The commission passed an ordinance regarding the nuisance of prairie dogs. If he doesn't provide an action plan within 5 days then the city can try to handle the situation and invoice the property owner. Ms. Burroughes stated they were in the right time of year right now to remove the prairie dogs.

Mr. Dayhoff stated they have a machine that will shoot carbon monoxide in the holes and it is the most humane way. Commissioner Elliott asked how long it would take to do an area this size. Mr. Dayhoff stated he was not sure. Ms. Burroughes stated some had been removed. This is Dr. Ghaffari's matter to address so they need to give him the opportunity to take care of it before the city goes in. This takes away from staff time if they city has to take care of it. Ms. Wheeler-Sagio asked why she would be fined if she got an infestation that came over from another lot. Ms. Burroughes stated there is an ordinance stating they are a nuisance inside city limits. Ms. Delk asked how many pups they can have at one time. Commissioner Madrid stated the problem they are having is that they are going to other people's yards. Mr. Dayhoff stated they have treated the park because of the ones that are coming over from Dr. Ghaffari's property. Ms. Burroughes stated there wouldn't be a fine. The property owner is given a period of time to address the situation and if they don't then the City of Clovis will go in and take care of the problem and then send the property owner the bill.

Mr. Howalt stated when they reach out they reach out to all of the property owners in that area. Commissioner Madrid stated the last time they did this they received thousands of emails from people all over the world that were not happy with the prairie dogs being killed.

Commissioner Martin stated they can have one to six pups per litter. Commissioner Elliott stated they destroy so much and they do break horses and cattle legs. They are a nuisance. They have to find a way to eradicate them. Ms. Burroughes stated they could give an update at the next meeting once they have contacted Mr. Ghaffari.

Agenda Item No. 6 - Presentation regarding 2018 Municipal General Obligation Bonds

Mr. Howalt stated they have been able to complete the construction of MLK between 21st and Llano Estacado, Norris Street from Llano Estacado to Wilhite Road and Wilhite Road from Norris Street to Prince Street. As well as make major steps in the completion of the phased Reuse Pipeline Project. They have identified \$73,000,000 in infrastructure needs. A GO Bond is a debt instrument that uses property taxes to pay the debt services on bonds. Highest rated form of debt a municipality can issue which results in the lowest interest cost debt a municipality can use. This requires voter approval of a not to exceed amount. Examples for uses of GO Bonds include street improvements, public safety improvements, parks, aquatic centers and libraries.

GO Bonds are currently used by the Library, CCC and Clovis Municipal Schools. If approved the bonds are issued within a period 4 years and the City of Clovis is authorized to go up to 4% of their total assessed property values within the community. Currently the city has 100% of the capacity available to them because they have never used GO Bonds to fund projects in the past.

Currently Clovis' only remaining taxing authority is two 1/8th which was provide by the state following the hold harmless clawback from the state. Implementation of more GRT for projects could negatively impact businesses and economic development. Clovis is one the three largest communities in the state does not use Go Bonds to fund projects.

There will be three questions on the March election ballot. The first question is “Shall the City of Clovis issue up to \$10,000 of general obligation bonds, to be repaid from property taxes, for the purpose of designing, constructing, repairing, preserving, rehabilitating, enhancing and otherwise improving roads?” This phase goes from Norris Street to Main Street. It will include roadway widening, sidewalks, bike lanes, expansion of the retention facility located on 7th Street south of Baxter-Curren, and drainage upgrades. The second question is “Shall the City of Clovis issue up to \$5,000,000 in the general obligation bonds to be repaid from property taxes for the purpose of design, construction, repairing, preserving, enhancing and other improved Senior Centers?” The City Commission over the last several months had several town hall meetings regarding the new senior center. The senior center was something that was part of the Parks Master Plan. They determined the best location for the senior center would be south of the Aquatic Center at Hillcrest Park. The City of Clovis will issue an RFP within the next month for the architectural design and they do have capital outlay dollars to complete that design. The third question is “Shall the City of Clovis issue up to \$5,000,000 of general obligation bonds to be repaid from property taxes for the purpose of designing, construction, repairing, rebuilding, enhancing and otherwise improving Wellness Centers?”

If the \$5 million is approved the impact for properties with the3 following values would be:

Value of Home	Annually	Monthly	Daily
\$100,000	\$65.00	\$5.42	18 cents
\$160,000	\$104.00	\$8.67	29 cents
\$250,000	\$162.50	\$13.50	45 cents

If the \$10 million is approved the impact for properties with the following values would be:

Value of Home	Annually	Monthly	Daily
\$100,000	\$130.00	\$10.84	36 cents
\$160,000	\$208.00	\$17.34	57 cents
\$250,000	\$325.00	\$27.01	89 cents

If all three bonds were approved the estimated property tax rate will be 7.80. The impact for properties with the following values would be:

Value of Home	Annually	Monthly	Daily
\$100,000	\$260.00	\$21.67	71 cents
\$160,000	\$416.00	\$34.67	\$1.14
\$250,000	\$650.00	\$54.17	\$1.78

Tax rate per \$1,000 of Assessed valuation - \$7.80

Assessed Value Growth Assumption – 1.50%

Mr. Howalt stated the fire department has been able to increase their ISO rating to a class 2, which means homeowner's insurance rates will be dropping to an average of around \$200. They currently have \$73 million infrastructure needs and they are not going to go away. Things don't last forever so they have to come up with a way to make these improvements.

Ms. Wheeler-Sagio asked what she is going to see when Humphrey has never even been considered in the infrastructure. Mr. Howalt stated Humphrey is one of the projects that has been identified and it costs \$5 million a mile to build something similar to Norris Street. At the end of this four year period they would go back to the citizens and propose additional issuance of bonds while they maintain the same tax rate. The 7.8 mills can generate x amount of dollars in those four years. They roadway prioritization list was developed through the Public Works Committee and 7th street was number one on that list. Ms. Burroughes stated she would like to have seen Llano between Norris and Humphrey done, but they have to realize there are a lot of projects that affect a lot of people. This is the first time the city has gone out for GO Bonds so as they push this forward as a possibility they want to make sure that what they are pushing will garner widespread support.

Commissioner Martin stated Humphrey is not first on the list, but 7th Street will always be on the list first. It may be 5-10 years down the road , but 7th street has to come first. This is a way to get started. They are only talking about \$20 million to start out with. The \$73 million is never going to stop.

Ms. Wheeler-Sagio asked if they buy the bonds as an investment. Mr. Howalt stated that was correct. He stated they have to have a way to pay the debt service on the bonds. They are borrowing money to make improvements.

Ms. Delk asked when Commerce Way would be improved. Mr. Howalt stated they partnered with DOT several years ago and looked at several options. There are different options to change the alignment, but there was not a will to make any changes.

Ms. Burroughes stated by improving other areas of town then they will encourage people to use them. Mayor Pro Tem Garza stated this was a good way to have streets done quicker. Mr. Howalt stated they would have to continually phase the projects. The bonds have to be sold in 4 years and then they will do it again. If the commission chose to put a \$20 million question on the ballot to do only roads they could do that. They recognize that they utilize various sections of town and they all need attention. Mayor Pro Tem Garza stated his property tax is going to improve other areas of town. Ms. Burroughes stated the schools does a \$20 million GO Bond every four years.

Ms. Wheeler-Sagio stated she already pays \$1,600 on property taxes and now she will have to pay \$2,500. She stated she was not getting a \$2,500 value out of any project. She is only here for a short time. Here she does not see where her money is going. She stated she would like to see some kind of value for that money. Mr. Howalt stated they are seeing value for other people.

Ms. Burroughes stated they will have a video of the presentation on the city's website together with any questions and answers. Mr. Howalt stated early voting starts February 15th and Election Day is March 6th.

Agenda Item No. 7 - For the good of the order

Update on projects

Mr. Dayhoff stated he was working with Two Horse Construction to get the Hillcrest bathrooms started.

Commissioner Elliott asked where they were with the Environmental Impact Study. Ms. Burroughes stated Mr. Tressell has not received anything from the IRS. She stated that is what they are waiting for.

Next meeting date and time

Commissioner Madrid advised the next meeting would be February 26th at 5:30 p.m.

Agenda Item No. 8 - Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.