



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Finance & Administration Council Committee

Tuesday, April 29, 2025

4:00 PM

Municipal Center, 300 S. Church

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL (ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE) CONFIRMED BY CITY CLERK APRIL LEGGETT

Present 6 - Joe Hafner; Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; Brian Emison and Anthony Coleman

Absent 1 - David McClain

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[MIN-25:035](#)

Minutes for the Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2025

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; Brian Emison and Anthony Coleman

Absent: 1 - David McClain

4. NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

[RES-25:017](#)

RESOLUTION BY THE JONESBORO CITY COUNCIL TO PURCHASE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1215 NORTH MAIN STREET FROM SWATEL 3601 LLC

Sponsors: Planning and Finance

Attachments: [SIGNED Offer - Letter of Intent.pdf](#)
[Survey.pdf](#)
[Seller Signed - Purchase Contract.pdf](#)
[From Seller - 1215 N Main REPORT appraisal.pdf](#)

Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, I do have a question chairman. When it says drainage, and I was looking at the survey itself, it talks about a ditch or whatever. I don't know if this is a Craig question or what, but is that what it's for, just to drain?

Paying a person \$175,000 just for draining and what does it do? Engineering Department Director Craig Light approached the podium and said, this is a little over 5.5-acre tract of land that's been designated in our master drainage plan as a detention pond area. It's got a pretty large size ditch that kind of s shapes through the property, it floods. You know, it doesn't need to be developed for any residential or commercial purpose. It needs to be a detention pond. The property is up for sale. We had two appraisals on it, and this \$175,000 falls in between those two appraised values. I think our appraisal came in at \$180,000 and his was \$160,000, I think. Somewhere around there. But it is for a stormwater detention pond. It was identified in our master plan done by the Corps of Engineers that, if you guys remember, we invested a lot of money in that plan, and this piece of property is part of that plan. It's for sale and we're asking to go ahead and get it purchased now that the seller is willing to get rid of it. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, great. So just to follow up, so when we purchase this then you'll go in and basically dig the ditch for the pond? That's my understanding. Director Craig Light said, yeah. We'll develop it into the stormwater basin that it needs to be. And it's 5.5 acres, so it's a large enough tract that it could be used for some other recreational type purposes as well, possibly, we'll see how that develops. But yeah, we'll begin scheduling improvements to it for stormwater detention. We probably won't dig the pond this year, but we'll start planning what that looks like, probably in 2026. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, so that's in the plan too? The development of it. Is that in the plan? The amount? Director Craig Light said, no the development of it is not in that cost. This is purchasing the property only. This is the purchase price of the property.

Chairman Joe Hafner said, retention or detention? Director Craig Light said, I imagine it'll just be a detention pond.

Councilmember John Street said, I'm glad to see us start acquiring property for drainage, and that's the biggest issue we've got in north Jonesboro. And while you can get it for that, and while I thought it's really not bad, I'm surprised since it's R3 somebody hadn't already jumped on it for a high-density multi-family that they could build without doing anything but just submitting the plan. Director Craig Light said, they do and then they realize how low it is, and what they really have to do to protect the properties that they're building. Councilmember John Street said, but still, there's not much R3 out there left.

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street;Brian Emison and Anthony Coleman

Absent: 1 - David McClain

[RES-25:044](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WILKINS ELECTRIC, LLC. FOR THE INSTALLATION OF STREETLIGHTS ON CREATH AVENUE (Bid 2025:15)

Sponsors: Engineering and Finance

Attachments: [Bid.pdf](#)
[Bid Tabulation.pdf](#)

Chairman Joe Hafner said, I do have one question. Are these true streetlights or is it more like the lights out at Craighead Forest? Mayor Harold Copenhaver said, they're a lot like the lights, if I'm not mistaken, at Arkansas State University. The black lights

that you see on campus. Aren't they pretty well uniform? We want to do that in order to make it look very comparable. Chairman Joe Hafner said, alright. That answers my question. Chief Administrative Officer Brian Richardson approached the podium and said, or the dog park. The new dog park just constructed. Those are just like those. Chairman Joe Hafner said, ok.

Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, I do have a question while you're standing. Just real quick, what's the, how do I say this? When we're getting bids. So, is it two or three? Because I only saw the two. Are we supposed to get three or just two? Brian Richardson said, when it comes down to bids it's, of course we can't force somebody to bid, so we publicly advertise it at, hey here's an option of this possible city project that we're looking to fund, and sometimes we only receive one bid. Sometimes we receive 15, so really the bid process just makes it a publicly accessible option for anybody that's wanting to do business with the city to be able to put in what their price would be to do the job. Everybody had the ability to bid on this that was interested in it. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, thank you. I just wanted to know. I didn't know.

Chairman Joe Hafner said, was down there early this morning, so it will be nice to have some lights.

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street;Brian Emison and Anthony Coleman

Absent: 1 - David McClain

5. PENDING ITEMS

6. OTHER BUSINESS

[COM-25:011](#)

UPDATE & DISCUSSION OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BONDING PROCESS

Sponsors: Mayor's Office and Finance

Chairman Joe Hafner said, we have an updated and discussion of Capital Improvement bonding process.

Mayor Harold Copenhaver said, all right councilmen, I appreciate the opportunity to meet with the Finance Committee this evening and I think this is very unique, and I would really enjoy your input as we move forward to a public hearing on moving forward revenue bond in front of City Council. And as I go through this, I would like you to be thinking of ways and things that you would like to see in that meeting on the 20th. So, I want your engagement and involvement in this process.

I'd like to update the Finance Committee on the status of the revenue bond process. Of course, we looked at that originally about a year ago, and I think you all realize the cost of development now has gone up tremendously. It's not getting less, and we have challenges ahead. I'm very excited about moving forward, but with that we've had to work very diligently on recasting an accurate number of project cost values. So, construction estimates have increased since items were first presented a year ago, and the proposed bond will be funding using the existing franchise fees via an act

bond action that allows pledging on a non-tax-generated revenue for Capital Improvement projects. Same thing as before and if you have any detailed questions to ask on the financing part then Steve is here to address those as well. He's been in conversation with Bond Council.

So, there's no order of importance here but I'm just going to start with Caraway Road project, and it's currently projected to consist of a five lane cross section to Latourette Drive. Roughly one quarter of a mile, then transition to a three-lane to Glenn Place. Depending on the bid price it's possible a five-lane could extend all the way to Glenn Place. But we're seeing, as Craig and I have been discussing over the last six months, the rising cost of that project. This allows for adequate dispersion from the current interstate interchange and accommodate planned improvements by ArDOT to that area. Now, let me explain with you on that. ArDOT has set aside, through the previous Alec Farmer, about \$30,000,000 in improvements for Capital Improvement projects on 555. The priority, of course, would be one Caraway Road and the other one is Southwest Drive. So, it's about \$15,000,000 that ArDOT would be making in that area. So again, our increased traffic is going to be critical in that area, but more importantly, the pedestrian infrastructure is needed as well. So, this project would include drainage improvements on a 10-foot pathway along the west side of the road. So, one side of the road would be the west side of the road. To anyone who has driven the area it is undeniable that this is a critical need for both traffic improvements and protection of extremely vulnerable pedestrian movements. One side of the road would offer a 10-mile multi-use trailway. So, our best estimate at this current time on the project is anywhere between \$5,000,000 to \$5,500,000.

So, I'll move on to the next one and at the end you can bring forward what you would like to see.

Now, we're going to discuss the construction of the new 9-1-1 Dispatch Center and Real-Time Intelligence Center. So, the experts, in my opinion, are in the room. We have Ronnie Sturch and we have Chief Elliot. And if you have imperative questions directly to them, I think they would be more than honored to answer those for you. And I hope many of you have seen our current 9-1-1 facility. And I will tell you, and I know some of you in this room, when emergency situations are called out you're out in the community for one need or another, and I have seen how Paragould's been able to operate and act because they do have a facility, a 9-1-1 facility, that is able to encompass what I would call the immediate needs of their community during a storm. And they were able to initiate very quickly a response from that center. We do not have that capability in the city of Jonesboro. I think it's important that we move ahead. We obviously have our federal partners, from Senator Bozeman, Senator Cotton, Congressman Crawford, who are very excited about this project as well, because it's also a regional. It is a county 9-1-1 and then the Real-Time Intelligence Center also helps facilitate for other communities. By the way, I want to say to Chief and his team, I noticed this past week that an individual was sentenced to 50 years imprisonment and if you read the story the last paragraph was said and due to the work of the Real-Time Crime Center. So folks, our investments are working. It's an undersized and end of life facility, the 9-1-1 center at the Justice Complex on Washington. I hope that each of you have or will visit the current 9-1-1 center. If you haven't, I challenge you to do so. You'll quickly note the lack of room for growth and your conversations, and our hardworking dispatchers will assure you that there is a need, and they deserve a facility that represents their commitment to public safety for residents in Jonesboro, businesses and our visitors. This facility would also supply needed expansion space for our Police Department, including housing of the Real-Time Intelligence Center that is currently contained in a single office space that houses three employees. Cost for

construction is estimation at \$6,000,000, and the design spacing needs are based off a recent facility growth study conducted by Brackett and Krennerich Architect Firm. The bond would also include funding to purchase adjacent property to account for future police patrol operations to be housed on the same campus as police administration, detectives, mechanics shops and support services. Patrol is currently located on the same property as the Justice Complex in the old City Hall building that was constructed in 1957. It is important to recognize that approval of the bond is not approval of the land purchase. If terms are negotiated that merit council consideration, that contract would be presented via resolution soon after approval of the bond ordinance. Now Brian, correct me if I'm wrong, but that land purchase is in that \$6,000,000 figure. Is that correct or just outside that. Chief Administrative Officer Brian Richardson said, just outside that. Mayor Harold Copenhagen said, just outside that, ok.

The third project would be a significant investment in our pedestrian infrastructure. The location of the improvements have been selected based off recommendations from the Connectivity Committee. And I think many of y'all have heard that before and those are the same projects moving forward on the Connectivity Committee. The City Engineering Department has already worked closely with the Connectivity Committee to map out these future routes based off public need and connections on other pathways. The current funding request for this program would provide \$5,000,000 of new construction, not including more than \$1,000,000 for pedestrian improvements funded by the Caraway Road Project.

Any funding existing after the completion of the projects could be applied to further improvements that meet the criteria of the authorization resolution approved by council last year. There's a three-year window in which all funds must be appropriated and preferably spent after bonds are finalized. Furthermore, it is commonplace that if the bonds are approved then the second and third readings are waived in order to honor the market price promised by the bond investors.

While we have held multiple public forums in various locations about these specific projects, I do want to hold a public hearing once more before the items are presented to council for review. We plan to hold the meeting on May 20th. Representatives from Crews and Associates will be on hand to answer any additional questions you may have, as well as any other city employees and our architects as well that have been working on the designs for the Real-Time Intelligence Center. In order to make sure that we have adequately addressed your questions and desired information about any of these projects, I would like to ask this committee what they would like as far as informational packets, boards, graphics or statics to potentially have on hand at the public hearing, so thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairman Joe Hafner said, alright thanks mayor.

Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, I guess I'm going to make the same statement that I made before. The bond issue, to me in my mind, I really don't have a problem. What I have a problem with is why we're not trying to go ahead and do the new police station, number one. We haven't finished the shooting range stuff out there yet. Why is not all that included? It's kind of like going to the bank paying all your bills. You know, if we're going to get a bond why don't we just kick the bucket instead of kicking the other stuff down the road somewhere. Mayor Harold Copenhagen said, well, Steve will have that answer. And utilizing our franchise fees, we're limited to what we can do. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, and then the third thing, where's the \$20,000,000 for each councilmember? No, just kidding.

Finance Department Director Steve Purtee approached the podium and said, I'll answer the first question. This is a revenue bond. It is specific to that revenue stream. Franchise fees. You'll recall that, you know, kind of going back through the recall of what we were working on. That's a revenue stream, call it about \$1,600,000. We're projecting that this bond debt service will be about \$1,000,000. So that's going to give us a coverage ratio of about \$1,200,000, that type of range, \$1,300,000, in that neighborhood. And so, it is specific to that revenue stream if you go farther on the bond with regard to the amount to be issued, it would get into general obligations at that point. Which would require a special tax or something to that effect, to support a general obligation bond. So, we're staying within the revenue stream that we have, being able to utilize that funding as a resource to do \$18,000,000 worth of projects. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, ok. I kind of understand that, but I guess, are these priorities, one, two, three, mayor, that we're going by or can they be moved around? Mayor Harold Copenhaver said, no, these are as far as, my conversations with council, these are the majorities of the priorities of the councilmembers in total. Now, when you mention the sports complex, one thing in particular is, I'm now having additional conversations with new leadership at Arkansas Game and Fish. We really need a partner in that complex when it comes to the funding ask before I come back to council. I think what you mentioned is that there are other revenue streams that we might be able to access to finish that project as it needs to be done. But it is not in this ask.

Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, mayor, two things. One, I would like to see your actual report, because I'm listening to it, you know, it's easier for me, I was a teacher by trade so seeing is helping me to understand as well as hearing it. Mayor Harold Copenhaver said, that's what I'm asking. Sure. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, that's the first thing. Second, a couple of things because you mentioned about speaking with city councilmembers and so on and so forth, and I remember some precious discussions regarding number one the Caraway Road Project. And we had already passed some things as relates to drainage and so on and so forth. And we were told in that meeting that this drainage on that one side was included in this prior proposal that was presented to us. I know it's about a year ago now. Because specifically we asked about that versus the lanes and so on and so forth, if y'all can recall. It's number one because personally, I was not necessarily in agreement with the full five lane. The second thing was the 9-1-1 center and I do agree with Dr. Charles Coleman, my colleague, in regards to... I know 9-1-1 and having that resource is very important, but I'm saying I see this building and that building and that building and this building, we've got this property over here that's dilapidated and got all of this, and I'm just trying to see how this can all go into one instead of just doing one project each and not to sing the full plan. So, if I can have more understanding as it relates to that 9-1-1 center and that \$6,000,000, because I heard you say it doesn't include and I was confused what Brian said so... I'm just confused in all. Mayor Harold Copenhaver said, that's a great question and if you don't mind councilman I'll go ahead and kind of interject. It's a long range plan and so, again, you realize that our tax base is a one percent, and eventually to receive a full facility this is the intent to continue to build on this location to complete that process. Chief, you can speak a little more in detail. We've done building studies, we have Krennerich and Brackett that I mentioned earlier, we have that in full detail that we'll have at the meeting to show you. 9-1-1 center here, then as we grow this will be the next phase and etc.

Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, before we go there, I need to finish something. I really agree with buying property especially for drainage. I've been on council long enough to know that we still have a super bad drainage, but we also have

a lot of other properties just sitting there, in my head doing nothing. Why we can't sell those to go toward some of these things that I'm talking about, like new police station, like the shooting range? Mayor Harold Copenhaver said, that's why I want the professional to answer your question.

Police Department Chief Rick Elliot approached the podium and said, all right, first let me start out, and I'm kind of speaking beyond the capacity of chief of police, but on this bond issue, if I'm not mistaken, the projects presented before you in this bond issue are projects that need to be completed within three years. Am I correct? So, we've got a three-year time frame. So, building a complete Police Department, which will be a two-story complex, would not be able to be completed in three years. Once this thing passes. I mean by the time we get it designed and everything done that's not a doable... I don't think it's doable. Now, the second part of this is, yes, we do have a master plan. It's like master plan on everything else we try to do. We take an area and forecast what we want, what we think we need. So, as the mayor said, Brackett and Krennerich did a spatial analysis on our current needs, and then they added projective growth for the next 20 years. So, we have current space square footage and what we're looking at 20 years down the road. And this is what we're looking at for this new facility for the Real-Time Crime Center and 9-1-1 is a 9,000 square foot facility. Which should accommodate this facility for the next 20 plus years. The same thing with the new Police Department, we took the current space of three buildings, look at it today, what's it going to look like as we grow for the next 20 years, and that's how we want to build. We need to build for the future and not for the present. In the past, some of the projects we've done in the past, we build for the present and then as soon as we move-in we're out of space. I am out of space in three buildings as we speak today. I cannot open up another division or anything else. I'm spaced out. So, the way we're looking at this project is in phases. We get this first phase in, yes, we can get this building built, get it up and running during this time frame of three years on this bond issue. And then hopefully come right after it or have the second plan of this building in place and ready to go. That funding stream between now and then can be worked out. But that plan with that conceptual of that building, architects and we've all sat down, it's a two-story complex. Yes, we do have a conceptual in mind. It's not a final layout, it's not blueprints, it's not anything, but we do have a conception of what that's going to look like joining the additional property there on Caraway. And I say Caraway because I don't want to rebuild down here on Washinton in a flood zone. Washinton, if you stand on Union and you stand on Flint Street and look it's a bowl. And it floods and when we get a big rain, our dumpsters will actually float over to Monroe Street. And if I build a building there, we can build a building up out of the flood plain zone, but I've got a fleet of cars I'll have to park there and they're all going to flood and wash away. Plus, I'm going to have to fence that whole block. If you want to move everything off of Caraway and you want to move it to one location, and that's what I'm trying to do is consolidate police services for efficiency into one location. If I vacated Caraway, we're going to drive the cost up, I'm going to move everything down here, then I'm going to fence that whole thing, so that's not appealing to our downtown area, what we're doing downtown, at all. You imagine all these police cars, the wrecked cars, and evidence and all this stuff taking up that whole block, and a two-story building. That is not appealing to our downtown area by any means. And then before you do that, you're going to have to fix the flooding problem that we know is \$15,000,000, \$20,000,000, \$30,000,000 to fix up the whole drainage system in that area. That was talked about years ago, according to Councilman Street, he brought that up awhile back. There was a study 10, 13 years ago that just to fix the drainage downtown is going to be that. Then you add that on top of the cost of building a \$20,000,000, \$30,000,000 new facility, then it's kind of cost prohibited. So, we're taking what we've got, which is a seismic facility, we're adding, in the vicinity next to it, consolidating police services. It's more secure, we're kind of

spread out. We're not right on top of the public. We're in a safer environment. Right now, I have concerns where we're at down there, everything is open, there's no security. So, I have current security needs as we speak and stand here today. Again, everybody's outgrown what they've got, and we're just trying to take this facility and either land it on the property or, you know, get this property purchased and start making the best use of it.

Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, I don't have any problem with the 9-1-1. I think what you guys are trying to do to facilitate that is great. But, you know, you made a statement, and I've heard you make the statement several times about building down the road. And right now, it seems like we're not building down the road. We're building as is. And to me, that bothers me quite a bit. And once again, I'm repeating myself, you know, when we do have a lot of other property that we could probably get rid of, sell, or whatever, to go towards... I'm not sure that we have enough property, by the way, to facilitate that type of funds, but maybe that could add to some of the things we're trying to do, you know, instead of having all that stuff.

Chief Rick Elliot said, so, the property on Johnson has been for sale. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, yeah. Chief Rick Elliot said, so there's not... it's been for sale ever since. If we can get out of the property down here on Washington, we can obviously sell that to recoup our investment cost over here on Caraway. So, there is a, I say, we invest here and then recoup at some point down here. Because I think this property down on Washington, again, with redevelopment of downtown like it's going, I believe it would be very desirable. And I know years ago, I had a developer approach me and was wanting to look at it then for some development. So, I think it's appealing to a private developer more than it is for city use at this point. But again, I think we could recoup some of our money that we invest here. And, obviously, if we could sell whatever we got over on Johnson, that's just going back in the pot to offset all these expenses. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, well, I'm not totally disagreeing with everything that's being presented, because I think my first statement was that I have no problem with the bond issue. This is the first time I heard it's possible we'd have to have a tax added. We've got enough tax going as it is. But I guess, the growth of this town, the growth of this city and the speed that it's growing. Maybe some people are not looking at it, but this place is really crazy. And highways, you know, every day, you used to could drive to a place in five to six minutes. You can't hardly drive out of your house now, 15 minutes to go to the road. So, some of even our immediate streets need to be widened, you know, some stuff like that. He said how would that deter crime, well it will because you have more space. You have more people be able to watch people be able to look. But I just want to make sure from my perspective as a council person that we're doing the right thing, it's not going to bite us down the line. And once again, repeating myself, I always use the bank theory, if you're going to pay your bills pay them all. Don't have one lacking somewhere because the next thing you know you'll need something else to go along with that.

Mayor Harold Copenhaver said, so, Dr. Coleman, let me ask you. When it comes to the meeting on the 20th, what information would you like for us to provide the public? And I think we pretty well got a good idea. We have multiple locations, why are we choosing this one location? Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, I think what you're doing is okay mayor. I want to make sure that's clear. But I think there needs to be some added statements made. If you tell me as a John Doe citizen that you're going to use this much money to do certain things, but then you need to add to what could happen in other places on down the line like a new police station total. Those type things the community wants to hear about it. They understand what we're doing as far as... And I've had a lot of people talk to me lately, more that I thought would talk to

me about the bond issue. And I said the same thing. They would ask, why would you vote for it, and I would say, well, we need an extension of a whole lot of things, just to be honest with you. And that's what I would say to keep from getting into a argument. But I would also go along with them when they say, well why don't we if we're going to do certain things why don't we make sure that we totally plan for the future not just keep talking about the future. Like some of the things we've done we just keep kicking some down the road. That's kind of hard for me to answer when somebody catches me in the corner. You know why you haven't done this. And that's basically that's what I'm saying. If you are going to make a presentation on the 20th, I think there needs to be a list that people could see of where the city might be going. Does that make sense to you? Mayor Harold Copenhaver said, sure. Chief Rick Elliot said, having that visual conception in place, I think, I agree with you, is very important, that this is what we're accomplishing with this money. This is where we're going to accomplish with whatever stream of money is coming next. It's important for everybody to have... to be able to visualize the same vision that we have. So, I mean, it's easy for me to stand up here and talk about it because I've done this, but I do want y'all and the public to realize that hey this is the master plan that we're laying out. So, we'll get with the architect and get those visuals for sure.

Chairman Joe Hafner said, yeah, one thing that was really neat with the Ridge Athletic Center was that virtual tour that you could do. I mean, you could really let me see what it was going to look like. I'm not saying go to that extreme, but like with this building kind of show us what's going to be added first, how it's going to look and then kind of the future after that like what the next steps would be. And like on the trails, you know that map when Andy was presenting that should here's our current trails, here's the proposed trails, here's the trails that this money would add, here's what Caraway Road would look like. I mean, do the visuals. That helps a whole lot. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, and I agree with you, because it's show and tell. Even though it might not happen on certain items. But one of the things that I've said for years on this council, our lack of presentation absolutely bothers me. It puts most councilmembers, except for John Street, in a bind for answering questions. But the presentation where people can see... it's kind of like a lot of people, I do house plans, people say well I don't know. Well, when you start doing 3D visuals all of a sudden, their eyes are wide open. It's right there in their face. Chief Rick Elliot said, it becomes more exciting. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, if you just talk about it... Mayor Harold Copenhaver said, sure. Chairman Joe Hafner said, like I said, that video for the sports complex The Rack, it was like holy moly. I mean it was... I mean I knew it was going to be really neat, then you see that video and you're like this is going to be incredible. Chief Rick Elliot said, I agree. Chairman Joe Hafner said, just the more information that we, the council, the public, can have to see what actually is going to result out of this... I mean the exciting thing is, I mean this should be exciting stuff, because this is stuff we've talked about for a long time and this revenue bond is going to allow us to get it done within the next three years. I mean that's very exciting to me, because we can sit up here and talk about things forever, and well we got to get this funding or get that funding. This is funding that we have available now to get things done within three years. And it's going to make this city look a lot different in three years from with this starts. I've been excited about the bond issue, you know, as we said before it needed to be tweaked a little bit, but Mayor Copenhaver and Brian and them know, I've been asking about this about every week for the last six months. You know, there's always going to be difference of opinion on some projects, but I feel that these are three very worthy projects myself.

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7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Brian Emison, seconded by Ann Williams, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; Brian Emison and Anthony Coleman

Absent: 1 - David McClain