



City Council
Agenda Memo

TO: Larry D. Gilley, City Manager

City Council
Meeting Date: 11/01/12

FROM: Jim Bryan, Emergency Management Coordinator

SUBJECT: Resolution Approving the West Central Texas Council of Government (WCTCOG) Mitigation Action Plan

GENERAL INFORMATION

The State of Texas requires a Hazard Mitigation Plan as part of the City’s Emergency Operations Plan.

The City Abilene participated in a Hazard Mitigation Plan Update (“Plan Update” or “Plan”) for the West Central Texas Council of Government (WCTCOG). The process began in January 2011 and now the Plan Update has been approved by the State of Texas, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The City participated by attending meetings and workshops, evaluating risks, analyzing previous mitigation actions, and developing new and unique mitigation actions, which will serve as a basis for grant projects. Because of the City’s participation and the approval of the Plan Update, the City can now apply for mitigation grants to FEMA once the Plan is formally adopted. A final version of the Plan Update will be available on the WCTCOG’s website: www.wctcog.org

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

No direct fiscal impact; however, adoption is a required component to apply for future federal and state funding.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption and approval by the City Council.

ATTACHMENTS

1) A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, approving the City of Abilene/Taylor County Mitigation Action Plan and establishing an effective date.

Prepared By: Name <u>Jim Bryan</u> Title <u>Emergency Management Coordinator</u>	Item No. <u>6.1</u>	Disposition by City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied <input type="checkbox"/> Other Ord/Res # _____ _____ City Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE WEST CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT (WCTCOG) HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE.

WHEREAS, natural hazards in the West Central Texas Region historically have caused significant disasters with losses of life and property and natural resources damage; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) require communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for the full range of pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and

WHEREAS, FEMA requires that communities update hazard mitigation action plans every five years in order to be eligible for the full range of pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene has assessed the community's potential risks and hazards and is committed to planning for a sustainable community and reducing the long-term consequences of natural and man-caused hazards; and

WHEREAS, the WCTCOG's Hazard Mitigation Plan Update outlines a mitigation vision, goals and objectives; assesses risk from a range of hazards; and identifies risk reduction strategies and actions for hazards that threaten the community, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

- Part 1: The WCTCOG's Hazard Mitigation Plan Update is approved in its entirety;
- Part 2: The City of Abilene will pursue available funding opportunities;
- Part 3: The City of Abilene vests with the Mayor the responsibility, authority, and means to inform all parties of this action; assure that the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update will be reviewed at least annually;
- Part 4: The City of Abilene agrees to take such other action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Plan Update and report on progress as required by FEMA and the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM).
- Part 5: That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, A.D. 2012.

ATTEST:

City Secretary

Mayor

APPROVED:

City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE FY 2012-2013 CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ABILENE AND THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Abilene renew the contract between the City of Abilene and the National Development Council (NDC); and,

WHEREAS, the primary objective of the Community Development Program is to develop a viable urban community, including decent housing and a suitable living environment, and to expand economic opportunities principally for persons of low- and moderate-income. Consistent with the primary objective, the Federal assistance provided in the Community Development Program is for the support of the community development goals, objectives, and strategies which are eligible under applicable Federal regulations; and,

WHEREAS, NDC is a qualified sole-source provider because they are the only organization with the range of services and the necessary experience and capacity to provide a complete set of technical assistance, training, and financial services made available exclusively to city, state, and federal agencies and non-profits; and,

WHEREAS, NDC has been and continues to provide the technical assistance for all legal documents necessary for the City to effectively engage in the HUD Section 108 Loan Program and New Market Tax Credits programs. There is no other entity that combines technical assistance and has an SBA 7(a) small business lending company license dedicated solely to economic and community development; and,

WHEREAS, the continuity in services provided by NDC is critical for the successful completion of the downtown historic preservation; the elimination of slum/blight, and continued economic and community development projects; and,

WHEREAS, the NDC contract will be paid from the following funding: the Department of Economic Development (\$40,000); the General Fund (\$20,000); and a National Development Council Foundation grant (\$12,000), with the total contract not to exceed \$72,000.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

Part 1. That the contract between the CITY OF ABILENE and the NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL for FY 2012-2013 in the total amount of \$72,000 is hereby approved. Funding of \$60,000 is approved to cover the shortfall left after a \$12,000 National Development Council Foundation grant is applied, as follows:

\$40,000 – paid by the Development Corporation of Abilene, Inc. via the Department of Economic Development.

\$20,000 – paid by City of Abilene General Fund.

- Part 2. That the City Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized to sign said application and any and all appurtenant documents on behalf of the City.
- Part 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

ADOPTED this the 1st day of November 2012.

ATTEST:

Danette Dunlap, City Secretary

Norm Archibald, Mayor

APPROVED:

T. Daniel Santee, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION BY THE ABILENE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) FOR THE TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM AND ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS, IF AWARDED.

WHEREAS, The Transportation Enhancement (TE) Program is federally funded through the Surface Transportation Program, administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) of the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT); and

WHEREAS, The Federal Texas Transportation Enhancement Program offers funding opportunities to help expand transportation choices and enhance the transportation experience; and

WHEREAS, The program offers funding for non-traditional activities which include pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure and safety programs, scenic and historic highway programs, landscaping and scenic beautification, historic preservation, and environmental mitigation; and

WHEREAS, Projects funded by the Transportation Enhancement Program must meet standards established under the National Environmental Policy (NEPA); American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO); Federal Uniform Relocation Act; and current applicable accessibility standards including all state and federal standards; and

WHEREAS, Any projects funded by the Transportation Enhancement Program should go above and beyond standard transportation activities and should be integrated into the surrounding environment in a sensitive and creative manner that contributes to the livelihood of the communities, promotes the quality of our environment, and enhances the aesthetics of our roadways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF ABILENE, TEXAS, unequivocally supports the submission of the application and the execution of the contracts with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the Transportation Enhancement Program for the South 11th Street Transportation Alternatives Project, AND:

- That the City Manager is authorized to act on behalf of the City of Abilene in all matters related to the application and any subsequent activities associated with the application that may result, including but not limited to submission of the Transportation Enhancement application, acceptance of the funds if awarded, and execution of all documents.
- That the City of Abilene supports funding this project as shown in the nomination budget of a local match of \$236,555 for a total project cost of \$1,182,775 and commits to the project's development, implementation, construction, maintenance, management, and financing.

- That the City of Abilene is willing and able to enter into an agreement with TxDOT by resolution or ordinance should the project receive funding.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED ON THIS _____ day of _____, 2012.

THE CITY OF ABILENE

Attest:

Danette Dunlap, City Secretary

Norm Archibald, Mayor

Approved:

T. Daniel Santee II, City Attorney



Texas Department of Transportation

September 17, 2012

RE: 2012 Texas Transportation Enhancement Program

Dear City Manager:

The purpose of this letter is to announce the 2012 Program Call for candidate projects for the Transportation Enhancement Program. The program call for the submission of candidate enhancement projects begins on September 14, 2012 and will end at 5:00 p.m. on November 16, 2012. Nomination forms and information regarding the 2012 Program Call is available on the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) website at: <http://txdot.gov/business/governments/te.htm>.

The Abilene District of TxDOT will hold an informal workshop to discuss the program and answer questions related to the completion and submission of a project proposal. Also discussed at the workshop will be the steps required to complete a project, if chosen for funding, such as agreements, plan preparation, environmental documentation, letting and construction. The workshop will be held Thursday, October 4, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in the TxDOT Video Training classroom building at 4350 N. Clack, Abilene.

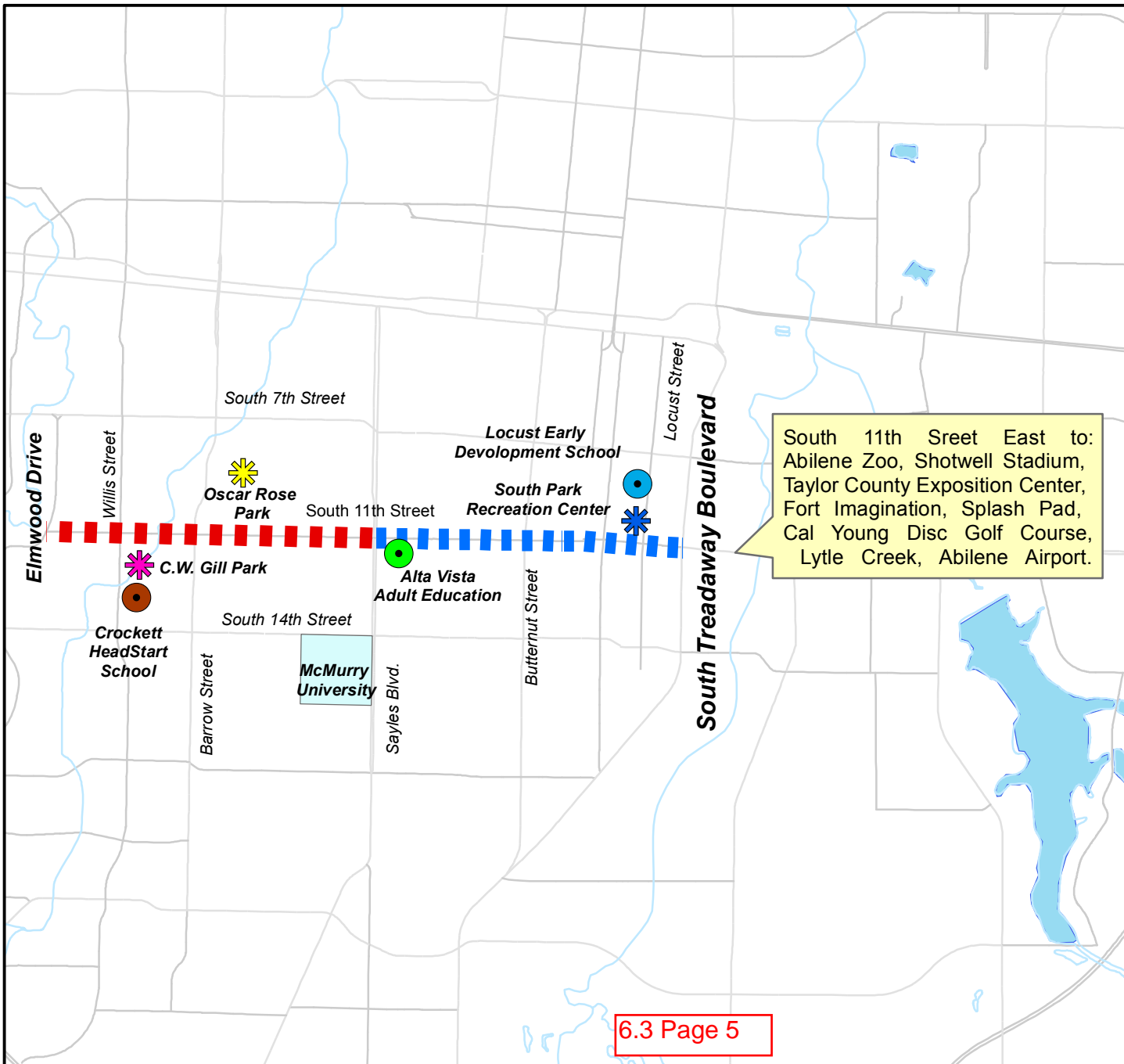
If you have any questions regarding the program or the workshop, please contact Stephanie Victor, Abilene District Transportation Enhancement Program Coordinator, by phone at 325-576-2765 or by email at Stephanie.Victor@txdot.gov.

Sincerely,

Blair W. Haynie, P.E., CFM
Dir. Transportation, Planning
and Development –Abilene District

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South 11th. Street Transportation Alternatives Project



- Crockett Headstart
- Locust Early Dev
- Alta Vista School
- South Park
- C. W. Gill Park
- Oscar Rose Park
- Sidewalk Only
- Bike & Sidewalk

South 11th Sreet East to:
 Abilene Zoo, Shotwell Stadium,
 Taylor County Exposition Center,
 Fort Imagination, Splash Pad,
 Cal Young Disc Golf Course,
 Lytle Creek, Abilene Airport.

