

City of Round Rock
Bond Advisory Commission Meeting
May 1, 2013

The Round Rock Bond Advisory Commission met on Wednesday, May 1, 2013, in the Police Department Training Room, located at 2701 N. Mays Street.

CALL SESSION TO ORDER – 11:30 a.m.

Chairman Freeman called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Those members present were Chairman Freeman, Commissioner Baese, Commissioner Baker, Commissioner Culpepper, Commissioner Hickman, Commissioner Holcomb, Commissioner Honeycutt, Commissioner Land, Commission Nagle, Commissioner Sanchez, Commissioner Scott, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Weber. Also present at the meeting were City Manager Steve Norwood, Assistant City Manager Laurie Hadley, and Assistant City Manager Bryan Williams. No one was absent from this meeting.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

There were no citizens wishing to speak at this meeting.

D1. Consider approval of the minutes for the April 24, 2013 meeting.

Commissioner Weber moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion.

11 Ayes

0 Nays

2 Absent

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Baese was present at the meeting but had stepped out of the room before the approval of the minutes.

PRESENTATIONS:

E1. Consider follow up discussion, and possible action with respect to the items discussed at the April 24, 2013 meeting, to wit: the Fire Department and a performing arts center.

Chairman Freeman let the Commission know that the Fire Department provided follow up information from the last meeting. The follow up on the performing arts center will be on a future agenda.

E2. Consider city staff presentation, discussion and possible action with respect to a fire and police training center and its inclusion in the contemplated bond proposal.

Steve Norwood, City Manager made opening remarks regarding the need for a training facility. Police Chief Tim Ryle and Fire Chief David Coatney presented the background and history on the need for a training facility and covered more in depth on the needs for advanced training. Chief Ryle also covered some of the training that is done in Ft. Hood and the need for a clean sterile training environment without interrupting the flow of traffic inside the City or daily operations. He reported that they attend training twice a year in Ft. Hood with a cost of approximately \$145,000 in overtime. There is a need for this kind of training more often, but the cost to go out of town and paying overtime is unsustainable. Chief Ryle also covered the emergency driver training at TEEX in Bryan, Texas and advanced SWAT training in San Marcos. Chief Coatney also talked about the need for live fire training and that it needs to be conducted once a month and right now Round Rock is limited to once or twice per year due to availability of surrounding sites and scheduling conflicts. He also discussed emergency driving training needs and the lack of places to them to train, and the need for mass casualty drills. Chief Ryle also went over the cost to operate and maintain a training center in Round Rock as well as the current challenges the Round Rock Police and Fire Departments currently face regarding training. Both Chiefs talked about the advantages to having a training center located in Round Rock. Such advantages

include but are not limited to being able to train any time, day training, night training, no travel expenses, etc. Following the presentation, Commissioners asked questions of both chiefs regarding the training facility.

OTHER BUSINESS:

F1. Consider a discussion regarding future meetings dates and items to be included on the next meeting agenda.

The next meeting will be May 8, 2013 and the topic will be parks and recreation. The location is still to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara L. White, TRMC, City Clerk