

# PROPOSED 2018 BOND PROGRAM

## Information Guide

### DISCLAIMER

“Nothing contained in this **Information Guide** should be construed to advocate for the passage or defeat of any of the propositions but is for informational purposes only.”

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### WELCOME

A 2018 Municipal Bond Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

Four propositions totaling \$21,600,000 will be voted on by Duncanville residents with each of the four propositions to be voted upon individually.

**NOTE: The language used in the four Propositions is the official wording that will be on the ballot for the November 6 election.**

**Proposed bond program does not require a tax rate increase.**

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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### BOND PROPOSITIONS



#### Proposition A

“The issuance of **\$6,600,000** general obligation bonds for Parks & Recreation facilities.”



#### Proposition B

“The issuance of **\$6,600,000** general obligation bonds for street improvements including sidewalk, alley and other traffic flow improvements.”



#### Proposition C

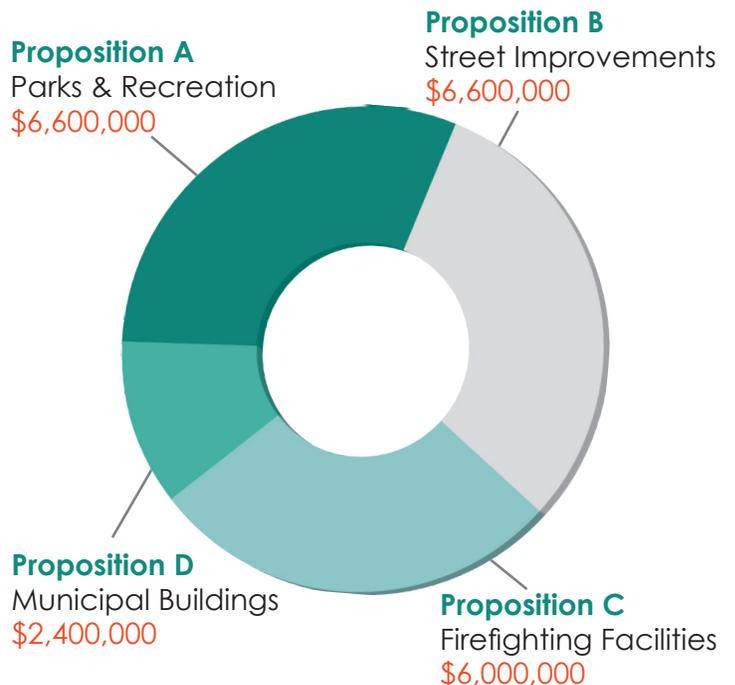
“The issuance of **\$6,000,000** general obligation bonds for firefighting facilities.”



#### Proposition D

“The issuance of **\$2,400,000** general obligation bonds for remodeling and renovating of existing municipal buildings.”

## Total: \$21,600,000





## PROPOSITION A

*“The issuance of **\$6,600,000** general obligation bonds for Parks & Recreation facilities.”*

If approved, the projects in **Proposition A** will include the creation, expansion and/or replacement of restroom facilities, Kidsville, splashpad, parking, concession stands, trails, lighting and pavilions at various City parks.

- Kidsville playground (replacement) at Armstrong Park
- Splashpad at Armstrong Park
- Trails (City-wide)
- Pedestrian Bridge (from Waterview Park to Harrington Park)
- Baseball concession stand & restroom facilities (replacement) at Harrington Park
- Street lighting (additional) at Harrington Park
- Parking (expansion) at Harrington Park
- Pavilion (replacement) at Harrington Park
- Soccer concession stand & restroom facilities (replacement) at Harrington Park
- Pavilion (replacement) at Lakeside Park
- Parking (new) at Rotary Park



## PROPOSITION B

*“The issuance of **\$6,600,000** general obligation bonds for street improvements including sidewalk, alley and other traffic flow improvements.”*

If approved, the projects in **Proposition B** will include the reconstruction of streets listed below:

- Intersection at North Main Street between Camp Wisdom Road & I-20 (**Railroad Grade Issues**)
- South Cedar Ridge Drive between Big Stone Gap and West Wheatland Road (**Subgrade Issues**)
- East Daniieldale between South Main Street and US 67 (**Subgrade Issues**)



## PROPOSITION C

*“The issuance of **\$6,000,000** general obligation bonds for firefighting facilities.”*

If approved, the project in **Proposition C** will include the construction of a new Fire Station and Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to replace the existing Fire Station on Camp Wisdom Road, as well as replace the existing EOC.

- Fire Station 271 plus EOC



## PROPOSITION D

*“The issuance of **\$2,400,000** general obligation bonds for remodeling and renovating of existing municipal buildings.”*

If approved, the project in **Proposition D** will include the renovation and expansion of the Public Works and Parks Service Center, which was built in 1987. This Center houses five Divisions: Utilities; Traffic Operations; Street Maintenance; Equipment Services; and Parks Maintenance.

- Public Works and Parks Service Center

## BOND ELECTION BACKGROUND

On February 6, 2018, City Council passed Resolution No. 2018-019 establishing the Duncanville Citizen Bond Advisory Committee as an ad-hoc committee.

Nineteen members were appointed to evaluate community needs and make recommendations to City Council on potential capital improvement projects to be presented to voters. The first committee meeting was held on March 8, 2018.

The Committee spent three months: discussing Duncanville's financial position; bond capacity; reviewing recommendations from the Comprehensive Plan, Park Master Plan and Facility Condition and Needs Assessment Report; and reviewing potential projects.

During this time, they held a Public Town Hall Meeting (combined with budget input) and participated in City Field Tours (April 12 and 14). Committee members toured City facilities, streets and parks to view current conditions, and discussed and evaluated more than 40 potential projects.

After presentations from City staff, touring the City and its facilities, gathering information and two project scoring/determination meetings, the Bond Committee created a "Base" bond package with optional projects.

A joint meeting with City Council was held on July 12, 2018, where the Bond Committee presented their "Base" bond package and answered questions about each proposal. After additional meetings, City Council approved, on August 20, 2018, calling for an election in November to consider four propositions totaling \$21,600,000.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What is a General Obligation Bond?

A General Obligation Bond is a financing option local and state governments use to fund certain projects. A bond program is a voter-authorized debt that is used to fund projects serving the entire community, usually large capital improvements.

### Will this raise my taxes?

Proposed bond propositions do **NOT** include a tax rate increase.

### How were the projects selected?

On February 6, 2018, City Council established the Duncanville Citizen Bond Advisory Committee with the task of evaluating community needs and making recommendations to City Council on potential capital improvement projects. The Committee held meetings, a Public Town Hall Meeting and participated in a City Field Tour. Using input from the meetings and tour, the Committee presented its recommendations to City Council during a joint meeting on July 12, 2018.

Projects were selected based on various factors:

- Priority
  - Citizen Input (public input meetings, committees, organizations)
  - Comprehensive Plan
  - Park Master Plan
  - Facility Condition and Needs Assessment Report
- Citizen & Council comments
- Limited ability to construct projects through other sources

### With specific projects and amounts allocated, can they change?

Yes. City Council has the discretion to update or change projects and adjust the amount allocated for specific projects (if the need arises assuming they do not exceed the authorized funding limit for that proposition). Monies will not float from one proposition to another. Project estimates are based on current pricing of materials and goods.

### Do residents vote for the program with one vote?

No. All projects are segmented into four propositions. Each proposition will be on the ballot in accordance with legal requirements. **Election Day is Tuesday, November 6, 2018** (see page 5).

### When was the last Bond Election?

The last bond election was in 1998. All projects have been completed.

# ELECTION INFORMATION

## EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS & HOURS

### Early Voting Dates & Times:

Monday, October 22, 2018, through Friday, October 26, 2018  
7 am to 7 pm

Saturday, October 27, 2018  
7 am to 7 pm

Sunday, October 28, 2018  
1 pm to 6 pm

Monday, October 29 through Friday, November 2, 2018  
7 am to 7 pm

### Main Early Voting Polling Place:

Office of the Elections Department, First Floor, 509 Main Street, Dallas, Texas 75202

### Permanent Branch Early Voting Polling Place:

Duncanville Public Library, 201 James Collins Boulevard, Duncanville, Texas 75116

### Early Voting Clerk:

Toni Pippins-Poole

Offices of the Elections Department, First Floor, 509 Main Street, Dallas, Texas 75202

Voters entitled to vote an early ballot by personal appearance may do so at any Early Voting site located in the County in which they reside.

## ELECTION DAY LOCATIONS & HOURS

### Election Day & Time:

Tuesday, November 6, 2018  
7 am to 7 pm

### Election Precinct Polling Place & Address

3200	H Bob Daniel Sr Intermediate School, 1007 Springwood Ln., Duncanville, TX 75137
3201	Duncanville Library, 201 James Collins Blvd. Duncanville, TX 75116
3202	Duncanville Library, 201 James Collins Blvd. Duncanville, TX 75116
3203	Duncanville's First Baptist Church, 232 W. Wheatland Rd. Duncanville, TX 75116
3204	Reed Middle School, 530 E. Freeman St. Duncanville, TX 75116
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3206	Duncanville HS Performance Hall, 900 W. Camp Wisdom Rd. Duncanville, TX 75116
3207	Southwest Harvest Church, 201 W. Center St. Duncanville, TX 75116
3208	Central Elementary School: DUISD, 302 E. Freeman St. Duncanville, TX 75116
3209	Duncanville HS Performance Hall, 900 W. Camp Wisdom Rd. Duncanville, TX 75116
3210	Fairmeadows Elem School, 101 E. Fairmeadows Dr. Duncanville, TX 75116
3211	Fairmeadows Elem School, 101 E. Fairmeadows Dr. Duncanville, TX 75116
3600	Northside Elem School, 525 Ray Ave. DeSoto, TX 75115