



# Bond Election November 7, 2006

During 2005, Sachse City Council established a number of goals addressing issues of interest to the community. In particular, Council established a goal to develop strategies addressing the condition of the City's infrastructure. On November 21, 2005, City Council appointed 14 citizens to serve as a Bond Advisory Committee. The Bond Advisory Committee held 10 public meetings to review the City's Capital Improvements Plan adopted by the City Council in November 2005 and recommended a total of \$49,246,571 in projects including streets, facilities and park improvements. City Council then spent two months evaluating the proposed plan and developed a final package. As a result, Sachse City Council passed an ordinance calling a bond election for November 7, 2006 to consider six separate propositions totaling \$37,925,000.

## Priorities

City Council developed a list of priorities for the City to address over the next three to five years. These priorities include transportation with regard to city-wide mobility, municipal facilities, with relocation and construction of City Hall and Fire Station No. 1, improvements to the Laurie Schwenk Senior Activity Center and renovations to the Library, resulting in a campus-style environment of city facilities at the intersection of Sachse Road and Bryan Street / Miles Road. Council also identified parks and recreation improvements and updates to Salmon Park.

## Bond Propositions

### Proposition No. 1 - Street / Road Improvements (\$16,650,000)

Murphy Road (S.H. 78 to Blackburn-cost shared with Dallas County); Bunker Hill Road (from Miles Road to join existing four-lane divided road-cost shared with developer); Fifth Street (S.H. 78 to Ingram Road); Dewitt Road (Ingram Road to Ranch Road-complete final two lanes of four-lane project); Purchase right-of-way for Fifth Street.

### Proposition No. 2 - Parks and Recreational (\$870,000)

Improvements to Salmon Park including upgrade of ball fields, lighting, new fencing, concession stand and restroom renovations.

### Proposition No. 3 - City Hall Facility (\$10,200,000)

Construct, acquire and equip a City Hall facility.

### Proposition No. 4 - Senior Center Facility (\$920,000)

Construct, furnish and equip improvements to the Senior Center facility.

### Proposition No. 5 - Library (\$615,000)

Construct, furnish and equip improvements to the Sachse Public Library.

### Proposition No. 6 - Public Safety Facility (\$8,670,000)

Construct, acquire and equip a Public Safety facility that will house Fire Station No. 1 and the Police Department.

Current plans call for Propositions 3 thru 6 to construct a "campus-style" municipal complex at the corner of Sachse Road and Miles Road / Bryan Street where City Hall, the Library, Senior Center, Police Station and Fire Station No. 1 will be located central to the community.

## ***Frequently Asked Questions About the Bond Proposal***

***Q: What is being proposed?***

A: On November 7, 2006 all registered voters in the City of Sachse will have an opportunity to decide whether all or any part of a \$37,925,000 capital improvement program should be approved. This election includes three areas of improvements: streets and roads; parks and recreation facilities; and municipal facilities. Six different propositions will make up the bond package and residents may vote *yes* or *no* on each proposition individually.

***Q: How were projects selected to be included in this bond election?***

A: The Sachse City Council appointed 14 citizens to a Bond Committee. After working together for many months utilizing information from the Capital Improvement Plan and Sachse's Comprehensive Plan, the Committee made a recommendation to Council on which projects to include in the bond package. City Council held several meetings to evaluate the recommendations and assembled the final bond package.

***Q: How will the bond package be financed?***

A: If the voters approve the propositions, general obligation bonds will be sold and the proceeds used to finance the projects. "General obligation" bonds pledge the City's full faith and credit, including the levy of taxes to ensure payment of the debt and interest costs. The financing of the propositions will occur as funds are needed. If all six propositions pass, the \$37,925,000 in bonds are currently expected to be issued in three bond sales within a five-year period beginning in April 2007 and subsequent sales in 2008 and 2010.

***Q: How will approval of the bonds affect my property tax?***

A: The current anticipated impact of all six bond propositions on Sachse's property tax rate will be a maximum of 16 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2011-2012. Based on the average value of a Sachse homestead of \$161,572, the anticipated maximum annual tax impact of the passage of all six bond propositions is \$258.52 or \$21.54 per month in fiscal year 2011-2012.

2006 Average Home Valuation \$161,572	City Tax Rate	Annual City Taxes	Monthly City Taxes
Current Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007	\$0.5534	\$894.15	\$74.51
<b>Anticipated Maximum Tax Impact of Passage of all Bond Propositions in FY 2011-2012</b>	<b>\$0.1600</b>	<b>\$258.52</b>	<b>\$21.54</b>
<b>Total Anticipated Tax Rate and Taxes</b>	<b>\$0.7134</b>	<b>\$1,152.67</b>	<b>\$96.05</b>

***Q: As a senior citizen of Sachse, how will my taxes be affected?***

A: In October 2005, Sachse City Council approved a tax freeze for senior citizens. Seniors are eligible for the tax freeze in the year that they turn 65 and must have made application with the Chief Appraiser of either Dallas or Collin County. Their City taxes are frozen in the year that they qualify. If a senior turns 65 in 2010, then his or her City taxes are frozen at that amount from 2010 and forward.

***Q: Who may I contact if I have questions about the bond package? Will there be presentations to the public for questions and answers?***

A: For questions regarding the bond package, you may call City Hall at 972-495-1212, ext. 20. For questions regarding the financial aspects of the bond package, please call 972-495-1212, ext. 33. For voting questions, please call 972-495-1212, ext. 23.

Information will also be available at several public meetings: Oct. 9th P&Z meeting at 7 pm at City Hall; Oct. 9th Library Board meeting at 7:30 pm at Library; Oct. 10th Chamber of Commerce meeting at 11:30 am; Oct. 11th EDC meeting at 7 pm at City Hall; Oct. 14th at Sachse Fallfest at Heritage Park; Senior Center luncheon Oct. 18th at 10:30 am at Senior Center; Oct. 21st Historical Society meeting at 9:30 am at Museum site; Oct. 26th Park Board meeting at noon, City Hall; and Oct. 26th Animal Shelter Advisory meeting at 7 pm at Animal Shelter. Information will also be available during the City Council meetings Oct. 2nd, Oct. 16th and Nov. 6th at City Hall, starting at 7:30 pm.

**Proposition No. 1 - Street / Road Improvements  
(\$16,650,000)**



Murphy Road from S.H. 78 to just south of Blackburn / Murphy intersection (line up with new construction). Project cost shared with Dallas County contributing 50%.



Bunker Hill Road from Miles Road to join the existing four-lane divided roadway just west of Ben Davis Road. Project cost shared with developer contributing approximately 20%.



Fifth Street from S.H. 78 to Ingram Road, four-lane divided roadway including purchase of right-of-way for roadway expansion.



Dewitt Road from Ingram Road to Ranch Road, completing the four-lane divided roadway.

**Proposition No. 2 - Parks and Recreational (\$870,000)  
Improvements and Upgrades to Salmon Park**



Salmon Park concession stand will be renovated.



Ball fields, lighting and fencing will be upgraded.



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Restroom facilities at Salmon Park will be renovated.



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**EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS BY COUNTY RESIDENCY**

Early voting for Sachse residents who reside in Dallas County will be held at various locations in Dallas County as set forth in the Notice of Bond Election, including Sachse City Hall, 5560 State Highway 78. Early voting for Sachse residents who reside in Collin County will be held at various locations in Collin County as set forth in the Notice of Bond Election, including Wylie Municipal Building, 2000 N. State Highway 78, or Murphy City Hall, 206 North Murphy Road, according to the following schedule:

- Monday, October 23 through Friday, October 27 - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
  - Saturday, October 28 - 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, October 29 - 1 to 6 p.m.
  - Monday, October 30 through Friday, November 3 - 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Identification and/or a voter registration card will be required.

**Last day to register to vote for the Tuesday, November 7, 2006 election is Tuesday, October 10, 2006**

**ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS**

Voting on Election Day, November 7, 2006 depends on your voting precinct and County. Dallas County residents in Precinct 2600 vote at Assembly of God Church, 2709 Third Street; and those in Precinct 2601 vote at Sachse City Hall, 5560 State Highway 78.

Collin County residents in Precinct 56 vote at Harrison Intermediate School, 1001 S. Ballard Avenue, Wylie; and residents in Precinct 153 vote at Cox Elementary School, 7009 Woodbridge Parkway, Sachse.

**All polling locations will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day,  
Tuesday, November 7, 2006**

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