AGENDA ITEM NO. / 8

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Thomas G. Wendorf, P.E. Director of Public Works

THROUGH: Terry M. Brechtel, City Manager

COPIES:

Judge Nelson Wolff; Bexar County Commissioners Court; Gabriel Perez,

Executive Director of Infrastructure Services; Melissa Byrne Vossmer,

Assistant City Manager; City Attorney; City Clerk; File

SUBJECT:

Joint City-County Citizens Bond Oversight Commission

DATE:

September 11, 2003

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance establishes the Joint City-County Citizens Bond Oversight Commission (CBOC) and appoints ten members to serve on the Commission, along with ten members appointed by the Bexar County Commissioners Court. CBOC will advise the Quality of Life Committee of City Council, the Bexar County Commissioners Court, and the Management Committee on Bond Projects and Programs.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of San Antonio and Bexar County have begun a trend in intergovernmental coordination on several recent initiatives. In December 2002 the Inter Local Agreement (ILA) for Regional Flood Control between Bexar County, the City of San Antonio and the San Antonio River Authority was approved. Bexar County and the City of San Antonio are founding members of the San Antonio Mobility Coalition (SAMCo) and the Metropolitan Partnership for Energy (MPE). It is through agreements and coalitions such as these that we are accomplishing cooperative planning for significant flood control, transportation solutions, and energy conservation. The City of San Antonio and Bexar County rely on the issuance of bonds to fund critical infrastructure improvements and capital investments and both are bringing bond programs, with a combined total of \$214,000,000, to the voters in November 2003. The CBOC will increase the level of communication and coordination for future bond project selection and implementation, as well as increase the level of public confidence in the necessity and value of bond programs.

The CBOC will consist of twenty members, who shall be residents of Bexar County, Texas. The City and the County will each appoint ten members. Appointments of members to the Commission will be made to ensure representation from all sectors of the City and Bexar County. The term of each member of the Commission will be for two years. The Commission will meet as often as necessary, but no less than four times a year. The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Commission will be selected jointly by the Mayor of San Antonio and the County Judge. The CBOC Executive Committee shall consist of the Chair and Vice-Chair. The City of San Antonio Director of Public Works and the Bexar County Executive Director of Infrastructure Services will serve as the Management Committee. The CBOC charge is to advise the City and County Elected Officials as to the recommended process for delivery of bond projects including review of scope, cost estimate, budget, schedule, public input, alternative delivery systems, program management and other capital improvement processes.

The Management Committee will support the activities of the CBOC and its duties include:

- Preparing CBOC meeting agendas in coordination with the Chair
- Taking and preparing CBOC meeting minutes
- Providing information requested by CBOC
- Staffing and coordinating all public meetings
- Providing quarterly status reports on respective bond projects
- Educating CBOC and public on processes used to deliver projects
- Evaluating bond program needs based on criteria
- Preparing future bond programs in conjunction with CBOC
- Preparing and facilitating an Annual CBOC Report to City Council and County Commissioners Court

The Management Committee may call meetings of the CBOC executive committee to obtain input from the CBOC on matters that may arise between meetings of the CBOC.

Attached is a list of City Council appointees to CBOC.

POLICY ANALYSIS

Approval of this ordinance is consistent with the City's policy to collaborate with Bexar County on encouraging public input, coordinating the planning, development and delivery of bond projects.

FISCAL IMPACT

Although there is no financial impact associated with this ordinance, there will be a need for the City to provide funding for costs associated with future public improvements.

COORDINATION

This request for ordinance has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office, the City Clerk's Office, and Bexar County.

Thomas G. Wendorf, P. E.

Director of Public Works

Melissa Byrne Vossmer Assistant City Manager

Approved:

Terry M. Brechtel City Manager

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO OFFICE OF THE MAYOR MEMORANDUM

CITY OF SAN ANTON

TO:	City Council; Terry M. Brechtel, City Manager
FROM:	Edward D. Garza, Mayor of the City of San Antonio
COPIES TO:	Yolanda Ledesma, Acting City Clerk; Gayle McDaniel, Assistant to City Council; Nelson Wolff, County Judge; File
SUBJECT:	Joint City-County Citizens Bond Oversight Commission
	DATE: August 21, 2003

In response to community concerns regarding coordination and implementation of bond projects, Judge Nelson Wolff and I issued a joint memo proposing the creation of a Joint City-County Citizens Bond Oversight Commission. The 20-member Commission will have ten citizens named by the Commissioners Court and ten named by City Council as a whole; Judge Wolff and I will jointly select the chair.

As there is a great deal of interest in the upcoming bond election, you may already have heard from citizens wishing to serve on the Commission. To expedite this process, I ask that an item creating the Committee and appointing its members be placed on the September 11, 2003, City Council agenda. I would also ask that Council members who would like to nominate citizens for membership please submit these nominations to my office on or before August 29.

As this Commission will be appointed by City Council as a whole, please ask your nominee to complete the application for appointment to a board/commission/committee, available from the City Clerk's office or on the Clerk's website.

Edward D. Garza Mayor