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The following is in response to questions on Docket No. 50789

- 1. Current audited financial statements 2018 audit was uploaded, 2019 not yet complete.
- 2. Copy of budget was uploaded.
- 3. Capital Improvement Plan was uploaded.
- 4. The description of the sources of funding for all facilities is in the Capital Improvement Plan.
- 5. A map showing where connections to serve the requested area are and will be located, as well as names and phone numbers of persons requesting service was uploaded. Parcel 111227, Byron Zuniga, has paid for an engineer study to estimate cost of extending our line from SW CR 2390 to SW CR 2380 and to his property. This estimate is included in the Capital Improvement Plan. Parcel 36926 Eugenia Cardenas has given easement for water line to be run on her property to connect with parcel 110654 and beyond.
- 6. A signed agreement from Corbet Water Supply Corporation for dual certification was uploaded.
- 7. A letter was sent to Pleasant Grove Water Supply on May 29, 2020, return receipt requested. Signed for on June 3, 2020. No response received.
- 8. Our water system was operated by another Company until May 1, 2020. They are unwilling to cooperate with us in sending any TCEQ reports.
- 9. Maps I have maps, I need help in uploading to system.

Sharon Settlemyer

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CITY OF RICHLAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN From 2020 To 2025

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the City of Richland is a valuable part of the community planning process. The CIP links local infrastructure investments with comprehensive plan goals, land use ordinances, and economic development efforts. The purpose of the CIP policy is to create a fair and consistent process outlining procedures for proposing, evaluating, and adopting capital projects creating long-term benefits.

The CIP is a five-year planning document adopted by the City Council to for capital improvements related to City roadway and drainage system as well as for the water system infrastructure and facilities.

- 1. Developing a fair distribution of capital costs the CIP process allows for public discussion of the preferred means of distributing capital costs over time. Funding strategies to consider include:
 - a Annually, the City earmarks funds to save for future projects.
 - b Issuance of debt that is paid by both existing and future users of the facility.
 - c Federal or state funds may also be available to help finance specific projects.

The CIP process can promote discussion of funding strategies.

2. Avoiding undue tax increases - capital improvement planning is a means of avoiding the unpleasant surprise of expensive projects generating large property tax increases. While cost impacts cannot always be precisely determined in advance, the CIP fosters discussion of the distribution of the tax burden of new capital expenditures over time. A corollary benefit of fiscal stability and sound community facility planning can result in an improved bond rating.

The CIP outlines the major utility infrastructure, streets and drainage, facilities, parks, and other improvements needed to serve the citizens, meet growth related needs, and comply with state and federal regulations.

Preparation - the City Secretary coordinates the annual update and adoption of the five-year CIP as a part of the annual budget process. The City Secretary will lead the review and prioritization of capital projects for City Council consideration. The City Secretary, and City Engineer shall prioritize and rank projects according to the criteria listed in the project criteria section. The CIP includes all costs associated with the design, rights- of- way acquisition, and construction of a project, as well as the estimated operating and maintenance costs, which impacts future operating budgets. The following guidelines will be utilized in developing the CIP:

- 1. Solicit citizen participation in formulating the identification and prioritization of the CIP.
- 2. Identify capital improvements through system models, repair and maintenance records, and growth demands.
- 3. Prioritize CIP projects based on input from City Council from all areas related to each project, and its effect on operations.

The CIP will be submitted to City Council for review, revision, and approval. It will be reviewed and revised annually to include updated information.

Control - all capital project expenditures must be appropriated in the budget. The City Secretary must certify the availability of resources before any capital project contract is presented to the City Council for approval.

Financing Programs - recognizing that long-term debt is usually a more expensive financing method, alternative financing sources will be explored before debt is issued. When debt is issued, it will be used to acquire major assets with expected longevity which equal or exceed the average length of the debt issue. Grants, impact fees, assessments, pro-rata charges, or other fees may be used to fund capital projects.

Reporting - periodic financial reports will be prepared to enable the City Council to manage the budget and to enable the Chief Financial Officer to monitor and control the budget as authorized.

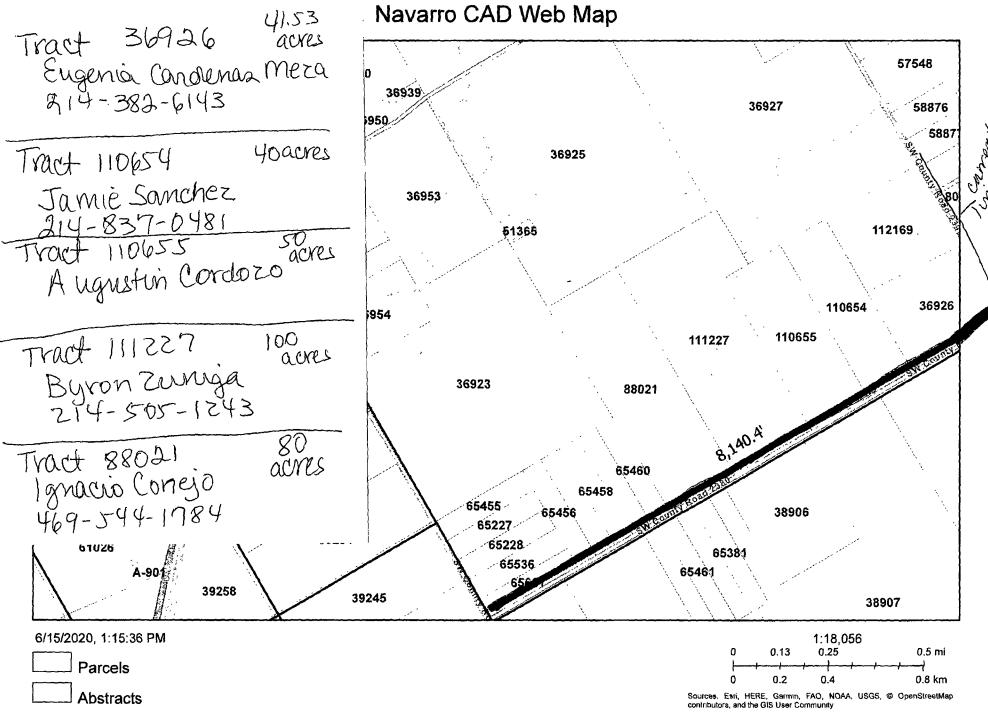
Amendments to the CIP effecting the current fiscal year must be recommended by the City Secretary and approved by the City Council through a budget amendment. Higher priority will be given to projects necessary for the public health, safety, and funding availability. Further, this plan is meant to be flexible. It is to be used as a tool to help establish a course of action.

PROJECT SUMMARY						
Starting in Fiscal Year	Project No.	Category	Project Status	Priority		
2020-2025	1	Roadway	Planning	Routine		
FISCAL OVERVIEW						
Cost			Source of Funding			
\$25,000			City of Richland Tax Fund			
PROJECT DESCRIPTION						
Each year, roads require proper maintenance to provide reliable mobility at minimal cost.						
FY 2020-2021 \$10,000						
FY 2021-2022 \$1,500						
FY 2022-2023 \$1,500						
FY 2023-2024 \$1,500						
FY 2024-2025 \$10,500						
PROJECT SCHEDULE						
Project Begin Year			Project End Year			
2020			2025			
PROJECT MANAGER: City Secretary						

Water System Projects CIP At-A-Glance

The following table is a quick reference guide that summarizes the CIP Water System Projects. It indicates the fiscal year in which the project is scheduled to begin, a project number for identification purposes, the recommended priority of implementation, the preliminary estimated costs for improvements, and the anticipated funding sources.

STARTING IN FISCAL YEAR	PRIORITY NO. and PROJECT	ESTIMATED COST	FUNDING SOURCE				
	These numbers were estimated and generated by JF Fontaine Engineers in January 2020. The costs associated with rights-of-						
	property acquisition, permitting, mitigation, construction testing						
	following information estimated and generated by JF Fo						
2020-2021	1. Install 8" Water Line along I-45,		Grant and				
	approximately 3,100 feet	\$55,000	Water Funds				
	2. Acquire Easement to install 4" water main from SW CR 2390/SW CR 2380 intersection to persons requesting water taps along SW CR 2380	\$2,000	Water Fund				
	3. Install 10,500 feet of 8" water line along FM		Grant and				
	739 from the Airport Pump Station to SE CR 1020	\$425,000 (#3,4,5)	Water Funds				
	4. Add 60,000 Gallon Storage Tank at City Hall		Grant and Water Funds				
	5. Install SCADA System at Airport Pump		Grant and				
	Station, Pump Station #2, and at City Hall		Water Funds				
	6. Install 4" water main along SW CR 2380	\$80,000	To Be Paid by Customers				
	2020-2021 TOTAL	\$562,000					
2021-2022	7. Sandblast and Paint Water Tower located at City Hall	\$40,000	Grant and Water Funds				
2022-2025	8. Repairs to Pumps, Valves, Tanks as required	Unknown	To be Determined				



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