



# City of Austin

## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 26-1826, **Agenda Item #:** 9.

5/28/2026

### Posting Language

Approve a resolution directing the publication of an Official Notice of Intention to Issue \$156,265,000 City of Austin, Texas, Certificates of Obligation, Series 2026 in one or more series related to fire and emergency medical service stations, administrative office buildings, a family violence shelter, bridges and dams, public safety facilities, park improvements, street and road improvements, and Waller Creek District improvements. Funding: The fee to advertise the sale will be included in the upcoming bond sale's cost of issuance and is estimated at \$3,000. Debt service resulting from the actual sale of the Certificates of Obligation will be included in the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Proposed Operating Budget of the General Obligation Debt Service Fund and is currently estimated at \$12,538,250.

### Lead Department

Austin Financial Services

### Fiscal Note

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### Prior Council Action:

Reimbursement Resolutions approved by City Council:

Resolution 20130909-009  
Resolution 20150908-007  
Resolution 20170913-006  
Resolution 20180809-025  
Resolution 20180911-007  
Resolution 20190910-006  
Resolution 20210902-067  
Resolution 20230223-007  
Resolution 20230504-003  
Resolution 20230914-017  
Resolution 20231109-005  
Resolution 20240229-018  
Resolution 20240530-022  
Resolution 20240718-021  
Resolution 20240829-031  
Resolution 20240912-010  
Resolution 20241024-014  
Resolution 20241212-015  
Resolution 20250424-007  
Resolution 20250925-011

### For More Information:

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**Additional Backup Information:**

State law requires publication of an Official Notice of Intention to Issue Certificates of Obligation once a week for two consecutive weeks. The date of the first publication must be 45 or more days before the date on which the City Council adopts an ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Certificates of Obligation. This proposed request for Council action will allow publication of the notice of intention in the Austin American Statesman, which is estimated to cost \$3,000 for the two-week required notification.

The actual authorization and sale of the Certificates of Obligation pursuant to a separate Council action is tentatively scheduled to take place as part of the City's general obligation bond sale, occurring in August or September. The City may generally remove items from the proposed sale notification after publication of the Notice of Intention, but any additional sale items would require an updated notice. Proceeds from the sale will be used to fund existing project appropriations that were previously approved by City Council with reimbursement resolutions, in accordance with the City's financial policies. Currently proposed issuances and descriptions are found below, for inclusion in the advertisement.

**Fire/EMS Station Improvements - \$1,200,000**

This supports a plan to address three Fire/EMS stations in need of critical and urgent repair and renovation. These three stations include Fire Station 1/EMS station 6, Fire Station 3, and Fire Station 22/EMS12. The improvements include a rebuild of Station 22 due to the extent of foundation and structural issues, a bay replacement at Station 3, and extensive electrical and structural repairs, lead and asbestos abatement at Fire Station 1/EMS Station 6.

**Fire/EMS Station Improvements - \$1,000,000**

This supports a plan to fully renovate five stations aligning the stations to current EMS/Fire design program standards. Program standard modifications will include renovations and additions for living quarters, more efficient and functional apparatus bays, updated emergency alerting systems, back-up emergency power, and additional upgrades to the HVAC systems. These stations include EMS Station 13, Station 1, Station 5, Station 7, EMS Station 10/Fire Station 25.

**Administrative Office Building - \$82,500,000**

This funding supports all necessary actions for the acquisition, construction, renovation, furnishing, and equipping of administrative offices for the Northeast Service Center (NESC) and University Park facilities. The NESC will incorporate administrative offices and support functions, vehicle servicing shop areas, warehousing, outside storage, and vehicle storage. The University Park facility will be used as administrative offices for City staff.

**Administrative Office and Public Safety Facilities Capital Improvements - \$19,000,000**

This funding supports various capital improvement projects at City administrative offices and public safety facilities. Administrative office space renovations include the Town Lake Center and Ben White facilities. Facilities management capital rehabilitation supports a variety of administrative and public safety facilities throughout the City.

**Family Violence Shelter - \$1,100,000**

This funding supports the renovation, remodel and conversion of an existing City owned facility, to function as a protective shelter for victims of domestic violence. The project includes the addition of a commercial kitchen with individual cooking stations, addition of laundry facilities, playrooms, computer room, upgrades to the existing systems HVAC systems, electrical, plumbing and fire systems.

**Roy G Guerrero Park Pedestrian Bridge - \$325,000**

This funding supports Roy G. Guerrero Pedestrian Bridge replacement. The bridge was rendered unusable

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following the 2015 Memorial Day floods that caused severe erosion along the creek channel. This project will support the construction of a pedestrian bridge.

Longhorn Dam - \$3,075,000

This funding supports design and construction of safety improvements to the Longhorn Dam to create Lady Bird Lake.

Administrative Offices for Public Safety Operations - \$16,500,000

This funding supports all necessary actions for the acquisition, renovation, furnishing, and equipping of a public safety campus for co-locating multiple departments such as Austin Police, Austin Fire, and Emergency Medical Services.

Public Safety Warehouse - \$2,000,000

This funding supports all necessary actions for the renovation, furnishing, and equipping of warehouse space for the Public Safety operations of the City.

Parks Improvements - \$1,450,000

This funding supports various Parks improvements including the installation of permanent shade structures and park facility renovation projects at various parks throughout the city. Funding also supports the renovation of the Nash-Hernandez Building to accommodate office and community spaces.

Street and Roadway Improvement Projects - \$5,265,000

This funding supports various street and roadway improvement projects that address transportation safety, signals, improved access to schools such as sidewalks, traffic calming, and improved access to transit.

Colony Park Transportation and Utility Infrastructure Improvements - \$10,000,000

This funding supports public infrastructure improvements and land preparation in the Colony Park Sustainable Community as outlined in the Project and Financing Plan approved by City Council on July 18, 2024. These improvements include the installation of electric, water, wastewater, reclaimed water, roadways, storm sewers, and erosion control.

*Non-Tax Supported Item:*

Waller Creek District Park Improvements - \$7,500,000

This is part of the overall plan for projects in the Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) No. 17. Waller Creek District Chain of Parks. This funding supports design and construction for stream restoration/stabilization, trails, bridges, water quality, and utility improvements along Waller Creek.

*Non-Tax Supported Item:*

Waller Creek District Surface Improvements - \$5,000,000

This funding supports various watershed protection related projects within the Waller Creek District.

*Non-Tax Supported Item:*

Braker Lane Street Extension - \$350,000

This funding supports the Braker Lane extension project that is extending the road from Samsung Blvd to Dawes Place.

The debt service costs for the currently-proposed \$156,265,000 Certificates of Obligation Series 2026 issuance are estimated as follows:

	Total	Average Per Year
Principal	\$156,265	\$ 7,813,250
Interest	94,517	4,725,863
Total Debt Serv	\$250,782	\$12,539,113