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2023 City of Allen GO BOND



STREETS



PARKS



PUBLIC ART



DOWNTOWN



SAFETY

Five Propositions: One Shared Vision for Allen

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Five bond propositions working together toward three strategic goals

**RENEWAL FOR
EXISTING AREAS**



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How Projects were Selected

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Bond Package was generated in a broad citizen-led process

400+ Participants

- 5 Month Study
- Facility & Site Tours
- Public Surveys
- Online Engagement

In the end, winnowing projects to a balanced, prioritized list that can be managed with

NO tax rate increase



The Elephant in the Room

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Passage of these bonds will **NOT** increase your tax rate



Allen has the **2nd LOWEST** tax rate in Collin County

Since the most recent Bond (2016) Allen's tax rate has **DROPPED** 10 cents



ALLEN TAX RATE HISTORY

Bonds, Why Bonds?

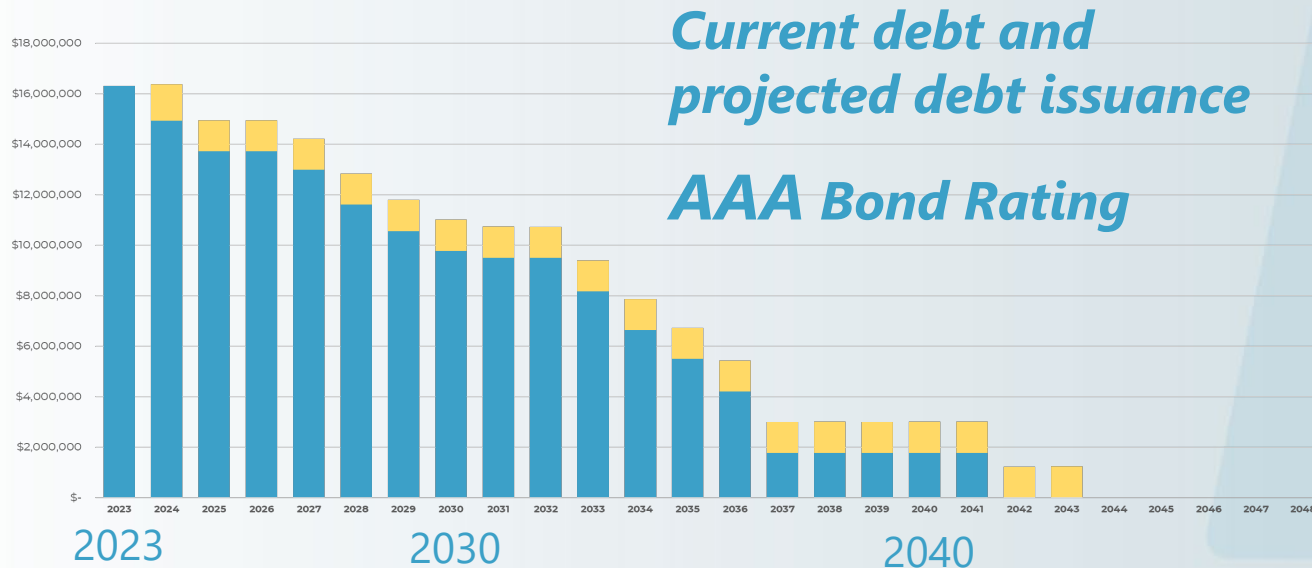
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Bonds are fair, efficient, and fiscally responsible

Like a home mortgage, bonds allow the city to finance major projects in a way that is affordable and keeps the tax rate stable

Bonds distribute the cost over the life of the asset and across the years so that all the residents who use the amenities pay a fair share of the cost

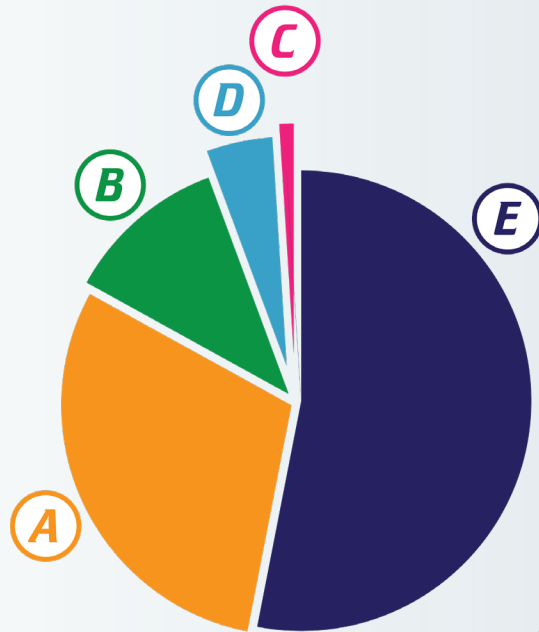


Overview of Propositions

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Council placed five propositions totaling \$156.5M on the November 7th ballot



A - \$ 47M

**NEIGHBORHOOD, STREETS
& INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIR**

B - \$ 17M

**FORD & OTHER PARK
IMPROVEMENTS**

C - \$ 1.5M

**PUBLIC ART
PROJECTS**

D - \$ 8M

**DOWNTOWN
REVITALIZATION**

E - \$ 83M

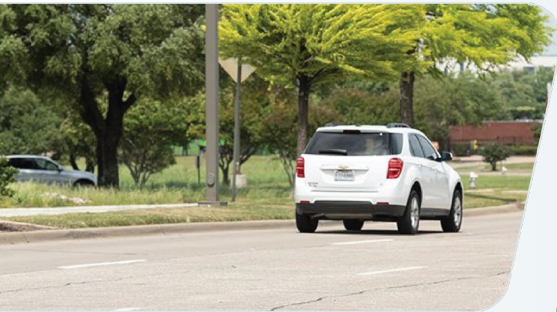
**PUBLIC SAFETY & NEW POLICE
HEADQUARTERS**

Prop A – Neighborhood Streets & Infrastructure

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Reinvestment in older areas improves safety and accessibility



\$47 Million

PROJECT	TOTAL COST
Existing street repair	\$ 18,550,000
Neighborhood repairs	\$ 9,750,000
Street capacity	\$ 13,300,000
Sidewalk/streetlight gaps	\$ 2,670,000
Traffic signal improvements	\$ 730,000
Traffic safety/ADA improvements	\$ 2,000,000



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- 2022 study revealed that \$5 million dollars annually would be required just to maintain streets in their current condition

Prop B – Ford Park Improvements

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A new plan to completely renovate Ford Park



\$17 Million

- *Playing fields have become unsafe and playground equipment is long past its life-cycle*
- *Install athletic fields, Pickle Ball and sports courts, update lighting and scoreboards, and increase amenities*
- *Control light to adjacent neighborhoods*



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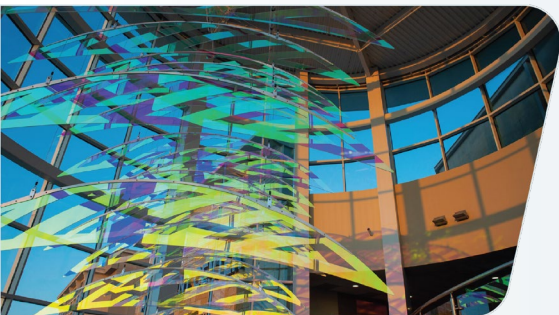
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Prop C – Public Art

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Public Art enhances our community and creates a personality that is distinctly “ALLEN”



\$1.5 Million

- *Public Art is a key ingredient in maintaining Allen’s enviable position as an attractive city for development, a desirable destination for employers and the people they bring*
- *This bond will provide ongoing creation of original, permanent installations as described in the Public Art Master Plan*



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Prop D – Downtown Revitalization

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*Focus on the downtown area, making it the **HEART** of the city*



\$8 Million

- *Revitalization to create a bustling city center with gathering spaces, restaurants, and shops in accordance with resident-developed plan*
- *Includes land acquisition as well as improvements to street and mobility structures in downtown Allen*



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Prop E – New Allen Police Facilities

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Alleviates overcrowding and facilitates the implementation of state-of-the-art technology



\$83 Million

- *Larger facility required to accommodate 50% growth in personnel over the next 10 years*
- *Provide space for sponsored community programs and enable technology such as digital forensics & crime scene processing*
- *Improve safety of prisoner handling, avoiding contact with staff or public*



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Why Vote **FOR**

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*A vote **FOR** keeps Allen moving forward*

- ✓ *Collaborative Effort*
- ✓ *Fiscally Responsible*
- ✓ *Ensure Safe Neighborhoods*
- ✓ *Reinvest in Older Areas*
- ✓ *Attract Quality Development*
- ✓ *Prepare for the Future*
- ✓ *Build Greater Community and Pride*



What Happens if the BOND Fails

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The tax rate may be as high or higher if the bond fails

- *First of all, know that the City of Allen will be open for business on Nov 8. That said.....*
- *Immediate safety projects (e.g. Ford Park field replanting, urgent street and sidewalk repairs) will still require funding*
- *Stopgap measures (e.g. renting space) will most likely be required to alleviate current overcrowding and to accommodate growth in the Police Department*
- *Land purchase needs to be made while the land is available*
- *Options for funding these needs may include drawing down reserves, short-term loans, and increase in utility rates*

A Cautionary Tale of Two Cities

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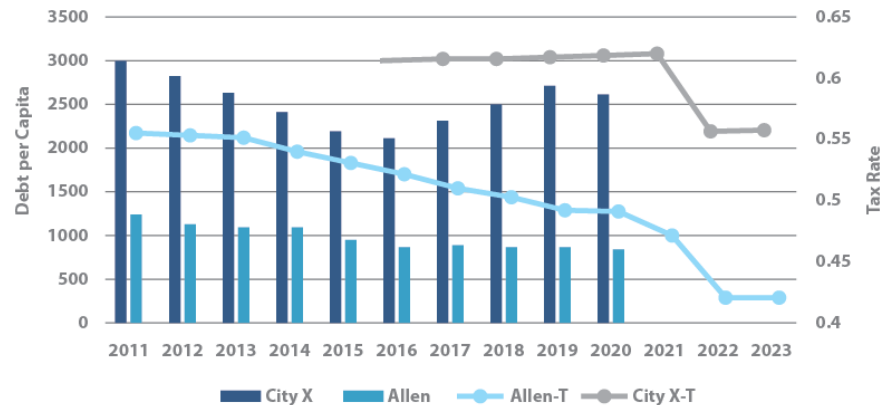
Delaying capital investment in favor of minimizing tax rate results in a higher tax rate and more debt over time

*Two north Dallas Suburbs
Population 130K vs 110K
Area 28 sq mi vs. 27 sq mi*

City-X kept tax rate as low as possible until delayed investment caught up with them

Now (and for a number of years) their debt/capita is 3X Allen's and their tax rate is 10 cents higher

Debt/Capita and Tax Rate Comparison



Election Information

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Be prepared for a very long ballot – Allen is waaaaay down at the bottom of it

- 14 Propositions from the State Legislature
- 5 Bond Propositions from Collin County
- **5 Bond Propositions for the City of Allen**
(Vote **FOR** all 5 – **A, B, C, D, E**)

SUNDAY OCTOBER 22	MONDAY OCTOBER 23 8AM-5PM	TUESDAY OCTOBER 24 8AM-5PM	WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 25 8AM-5PM	THURSDAY OCTOBER 26 8AM-5PM	FRIDAY OCTOBER 27 8AM-5PM	SATURDAY OCTOBER 28 7AM-7PM
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ELECTION DAY	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7th - 7AM to 7PM					



QUESTIONS?



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