



Office of the City Manager

December 10, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: *Dee* Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager

Subject: Measure T1 Phase 2 Public Input Process

SUMMARY

This report provides City Council with information on the planning and public input process for the selection of projects for Phase 2 of the Measure T1 infrastructure bond program. Staff have been working with the T1 Joint Subcommittee, consisting of representatives from the Parks & Waterfront and Public Works Commissions, since July 2019 to develop a thorough process to gather feedback from the community on projects for the next phase of the bond program. The public input process will be starting in January 2020.

BACKGROUND

In November 2016, Berkeley voters approved [Measure T1](#)¹ – a \$100 million dollar general obligation bond to repair, renovate, replace or reconstruct the City’s aging existing infrastructure, including facilities, streets, sidewalks, storm drains, and parks. Measure T1 passed with 86.5% of the vote.

From December 2016 through June 2017, the City undertook a robust public process to gather input on the proposed projects for Phase 1. Three citywide public meetings, grouped by project type² were held in March and April 2017. In addition, the Parks & Waterfront and Public Works Commissions (“Lead Commissions”) invited and received input from other City Commissions (“Participating Commissions”)³.

PHASE 2 PUBLIC PROCESS

T1 staff worked with the T1 Joint Subcommittees from the Lead Commissions to identify and vet an extensive public process for determining potential Phase 2 projects. The

¹ See <https://www.cityofberkeley.info/MeasureT1/>

² Parks & City Buildings; Streets & Storm Drains; Open Discussion on Proposed Projects

³ Children, Youth and Recreation Commission; Civic Arts Commission; Community Environmental Advisory Commission; Commission on Aging; Commission on Disability; Disaster and Fire Safety Commission; Energy Commission; Housing Advisory Commission; Landmarks Preservation Commission; Transportation Commission; and Zero Waste Commission.

public process will consist of approximately 40 meetings over a 13-month period beginning in January 2020. The goal of this process is to encourage and have significant citywide public participation in the T1 Phase 2 project selection process by thoroughly advertising meetings and providing various methods for community members to provide feedback. Staff will provide a list of potential Phase 2 projects and solicit suggestions for other projects community members are interested in. Community members may also email their comments at any time during the input process to T1@CityofBerkeley.info.

Table 1 summarizes the timeline for the planning and public input process, with detailed information on each step below.

Table 1 – Timeline for Phase 2 Public Input Process

July – September 2019	The Measure T1 Joint Subcommittee and staff planned the public input process and structure.
October 2019	Met with the Lead Commissions (Public Works and Parks, Recreation and Waterfront) during their regularly scheduled meetings to discuss the public process for Phase 2.
November 2019 – January 2020	Annual update to 11 Participating Commissions (please see footnote #3 on page 1 for list of commissions).
January 29, 2020	Lead Commissions Phase 2 Public Process Kick-Off
February – April 2020	Attend 20 neighborhood group meetings to present information on Phase 2 public process and obtain feedback on potential projects.
May – September 2020	Host 5 large geographic-based meetings to gather feedback on potential projects (5 meetings),
October 2020	Online survey on Berkeley Considers
November – December 2020	Annual update to Participating Commissions (11 meetings),
November 2020 – February 2021	Staff and commissions' development of recommended Phase 2 project list (3 to 4 meetings),
March - May 2021	Council Worksession to discuss Phase 2 project list,
June 2021	Council approves Phase 2 projects,

July – September 2019: Staff met with the T1 Joint Subcommittee on July 8, 2019, August 12, 2019, and September 16, 2019 to establish a thorough process to obtain feedback from community members regarding potential projects for Phase 2. This process will include multiple opportunities for community members to provide feedback,

including attending up to 20 Council-recommended neighborhood group meetings, 5 large geographic-based public meetings, e-mail, and an online survey for those who would not be able to attend the scheduled public meetings.

October 2019: Staff met with the Public Works and Parks & Waterfront Commissions on October 3, 2019 and October 9, 2019 to discuss the public process for Phase 2 and received positive feedback on this process.

November 2019 – January 2020: Since the start of the bond program, staff have been providing annual updates on the T1 program to the 11 City Commissions who participated in the planning process for Phase 1. This is the third update to these commissions. This update addressed the progress of Phase 1 and information on the Phase 2 public process.

January 29, 2020: This commences the public input for Phase 2. A Joint Commission meeting with the Parks & Waterfront and Public Works Commissions is planned for January 29, 2020 at 7:00pm at 1947 Center Street Training Room (basement).

February – April 2020: Staff and a representative from the Parks & Waterfront and Public Works commission will attend up to 20 neighborhood meetings, as recommended by Councilmembers in their district, during their regularly scheduled meetings to present information on the Phase 2 public process and obtain feedback on projects for Phase 2.

May – September 2020: Five large geographic based meetings, delineated by council districts, will be held to obtain feedback regarding projects for Phase 2. These meetings will address all types of projects within the geographic area, such as facilities, parks, streets, green infrastructure and more. See Attachment 1 for a map detailing the dates and locations for these meetings.

- **May 2, 2020:** Districts 2 & 3 (excludes Waterfront), Frances Albrier Community Center
- **July 18, 2020:** Districts 5 & 6, Northbrae Community Church
- **August 8, 2020:** Districts 7 & 8, St. John's Presbyterian Church
- **September 12, 2020:** Waterfront, Berkeley Yacht Club
- **September 19, 2020:** Districts 1 & 4 (excludes Waterfront), James Kenney Community Center

October 2020: A survey will be posted on Berkeley Considers for community members to submit their comments regarding potential projects and to further refine the feedback received throughout the public process.

November – December 2020: Staff will present their annual update to Participating Commissions. This update will be a recap on the Phase 2 public process and to gather additional feedback on projects.

November 2020 – February 2021: Staff and the Lead Commissions will compile and review feedback received from the public and Participating Commissions to develop a list of recommended projects for the next phase.

March – May 2021: Staff will meet with Council for a worksession to discuss the proposed list of projects. After feedback received from this worksession, staff will finalize the list of projects to submit for Council's approval in June 2021.

June 2021: Council to review and approve the finalized list of projects for Phase 2. Bond sales to follow after approval.

Attachment 1: Measure T1 Phase 2 Public Process Map

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MEASURE T1 PHASE 2 COMMUNITY PROCESS


MEETING LOCATION AND DATE:


 BERKELEY YACHT CLUB
1 SEAWALL DRIVE.
(SEPTEMBER 12, 2020)







 JAMES KENNY
COMMUNITY CENTER
1720 8TH ST.
(SEPTEMBER 19, 2020)

*Dates are tentative
and subject to change

 FRANCES ALBRIER
COMMUNITY CENTER
2800 PARK ST.
(MAY 2, 2020)

 NORTHBRAE
COMMUNITY CHURCH
941 THE ALAMEDA.
(JULY 18, 2020)

 ST. JOHN'S
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
2727 COLLEGE AVE.
(AUGUST 8, 2020)

-  Quadrant 1
-  Quadrant 2
-  Quadrant 3
-  Quadrant 4
-  Waterfront
-  Council District Border

