

## **AGENDA MEMO**

## Business of the City Council City of Sweeny, Texas

Meeting Date	09/16/2025	Agenda Items	
Approved by City Manager	Yes	Presenter(s)	City Manager
Reviewed by City Attorney		Department	Administration/ Boards/ Council
Subject	Discussion and possible action to the creation of an advisory board for capital project expenditures.		
Attachments / Supporting documents			
Financial Information	Expenditure Required:		N/A
	Amount Budgeted:		N/A
	Account Number:		
	Additional Appropriation Required:		
	Additional Account Number:		

## **Executive Summary**

Council needs to determine the makeup and duties of the requested board. This board creation is pursuant to the recently adopted tax rate and its projected expenditures. The creation of the board will require an ordinance be adopted prior to creation.

Attorney Stevenson will need all information pertaining, in order to create an ordinance for the said board.

## Recommendation:

Applications should be accepted from interested parties to serve on the committee. No more than 4 citizens, 2 council representatives, myself and the Public Works Director acting as advisors of projects to be considered.

This type of committee would need to be put together as soon as possible to start developing a plan of action. I also believe if assembled correctly, this could be an on-going committee to assist with not only planning, but also public relations associated with capital projects.

The committee could be helpful in educating the public about the City of Sweeny's true needs.

In reviewing your current CIP plan, funding was mostly grants and bonds, heavy on the grant side. As we all know, grants can be good, but the time involved and upfront cost like engineering and being shovel ready, sometimes exceeds the benefits. This is not counting the extended time to get the funds and perform the task.