

# Special Joint Agenda Item Data Sheet

**Meeting Date:** October 2, 2025

## **Topic:**

Presentation by TEDC staff regarding initial community engagement for the Tomball Legacy Square Project, including the July 10 public meeting, Board Member Committee meetings, and programming interviews.

## **Background:**

The Tomball Legacy Square Project represents a transformative opportunity to repurpose the former First Baptist Church campus into a vibrant, multiuse community asset. Recognizing the importance of broad input in shaping this vision, the TEDC has launched the initial phase of its community and stakeholder engagement process. This early work is designed to capture priorities, explore possibilities, and begin aligning the project vision with the needs and aspirations of the community.

On July 10, 2025, a public meeting was held to introduce the project to the community and gather preliminary input from residents, business owners, and other stakeholders. This meeting marked the first opportunity for the public to provide feedback on potential uses, programming ideas, and priorities for the redevelopment. A full public comment report from this meeting is included in the backup material.

Following the public meeting, Board Member Committee Meetings were held on July 11, 2025, and September 12, 2025. These sessions provide a forum for reviewing early community feedback, discussing potential adaptive reuse strategies, and beginning to consider operational and financial factors. The committee meetings are an important step in ensuring that the Board's direction is informed by both public input and organizational priorities.

In addition to these meetings, interviews have been conducted with potential users of the future redeveloped facilities. These conversations with cultural organizations, event organizers, and prospective tenants are helping to build a clearer picture of programming opportunities and future demand. Summaries of these interviews are included in the backup material.

It is important to note that this is only the beginning of the community engagement process. Additional opportunities for public input and stakeholder involvement will be provided as concept designs are refined and the Webb Management feasibility study advances. The feedback gathered so far will serve as a foundation for these future discussions and for ongoing project development.

**Origination:** Kelly Violette, Executive Director

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Council/Board receive this presentation and review the attached materials to understand the initial input received to date, with the recognition that community engagement is an ongoing and evolving process central to the success of the Tomball Legacy Square Project.

Presentation item only; no action is required.

**Party(ies) responsible for placing this item on agenda:** Kelly Violette

**FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE)**

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