



# McAlester City Council

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

### Work Session and Special Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, November 14, 2017 – 5:00 pm  
McAlester City Hall – Council Chambers  
28 E. Washington

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Cora M. Middleton.....	City Clerk

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

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*Announce the presence of a Quorum.*

#### **ROLL CALL**

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#### **CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

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#### **SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

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1. Discussion of the expiring Economic Development and School Bonds and future bonding and sales tax initiatives. *(Peter Stasiak, City Manager)*

Executive Summary  
Discussion.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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**Cora M. Middleton, City Clerk**



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## AGENDA REPORT

**Meeting Date:** November 14, 2017      **Item Number:** 1  
**Department:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Prepared By:** Peter Stasiak, City Manager      **Account Code:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date Prepared:** November 6, 2017      **Budgeted Amount:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_      **Exhibits:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Subject

Discussion of the expiring Economic Development and School Bonds and future bonding and sales tax initiatives.

### Recommendation

Discussion.

### Discussion

This item is for discussion of the renewal and/or re-purposing of two (2) quarter cent bonds that are set to expire in September, 2018, along with future bonding and sales tax initiatives.

### Approved By

	<i>Initial</i>	<i>Date</i>
<b>Department Head</b>		
<b>City Manager</b>	P. Stasiak _____	_____

If you would support an increase in city sales tax, where would you like those funds to be used?

Streets

Public facilities, recycling center, street and infrastructure

Schools, Roads.

fix the roads. either repave them or put gravel down

City Infrastructure

Museum streets infrastructure

Infrastructure

Streets/infrastructure

Infrastructure, economic development

Streets/Infrastructure

Streets/Infrastructure

Sidewalks!! On every street! Keep our children and pedestrians safe!!

Infrastructur

Streets

I'm not completely against the idea of an increase it would depend on the amt and purpose. We definitely need some street improvements and economic development always help generate more sales tax by visitors so that the community doesn't solely provide.

Public infrastructure

Capital projects like new water treatment facility, library, convention center, etc.

Infrastructure, street signal lights and fixing paved roads.

I would like to see more invested in the resurfacing of residential streets. And more work in developing the retail shopping areas along highway 69. I think that's the key to the future growth of the city.

Streets and Utility Lines

infrastructure

Hospital infrastructure, more police and firemen - ambulance service

Infrastructure, Water, Sewer, Streets

I would support an increase if it were dedicated to either the water plant, sewer plants or to streets/infrastructure as long as this allowed other general fund sales tax revenue to be used for other needed matters.

## INFRASTRUCTURE AND PARKS AND RECREATION

streets

Repairs to water plant Street repairs Water park

Roads.

Roads or water plant

Water plant

An increase in city sales tax should go to schools, the library, and the parks.

Education

education

Teacher salary only. That won't happen so don't raise taxes anymore. Get your sh@t together!

Education

Education

Schools

Education

Education

Education. Library update.

teacher pay

School Teachers and Lawn Enforcement

streets and other infrastructure

Recruit companies mid and high level positions, education, infrastructure, and water treatment.

Economic dev

Tourism or economic development

Economic development, streets, beautification/improvement of parks/recreation, education

For economic dev, BUT NOT as it is currently operating

A real economic development plan

Toward economic development. This city has not grown in 30 years. It's time. If we bring new businesses to the city the benefits will be passed down to education, streets, and other infrastructure that so desperately need it.

Economic Development

Purchasing and remodeling a building/buildings downtown to take place of the expo as well as a sports complex.

Tourism- Mainly to SUPPORT THE ARTS!!! The Arts has no home in McAlester, and it is a continuous struggle to find venues to house arts/theatre programs for our youth- and adult programs. Communities with strong support for arts/music/theatre are the communities that thrive. Lets start supporting the arts and our youth!!!!

Revitalization activities

Convention Center or Water Park.

I think we should support our local parks, schools and public library.

Something for the youth of the city to do. It would help keep them away from drinking and meth, which are two big problems with our youth in McAlester.

Replacing the expo and sidewalks in every neighborhood and a major facelift to Choctaw.

Parks & recreation

Medical Facility

Healthcare

Hospital and healthcare

Healthcare

Replacement of hospital structures and equipment with the latest technology.

Cancer center, water treatment, sewer facility, streets and education system.

Healthcare

medical facility

Public safety, residential street repair, public schools

Law enforcement and sports complex

Public safety (police/fire)

Public safety equipment to replace dilapidated fire apparatus

Public Safety and Education

Public safety/ police

New Library Facility

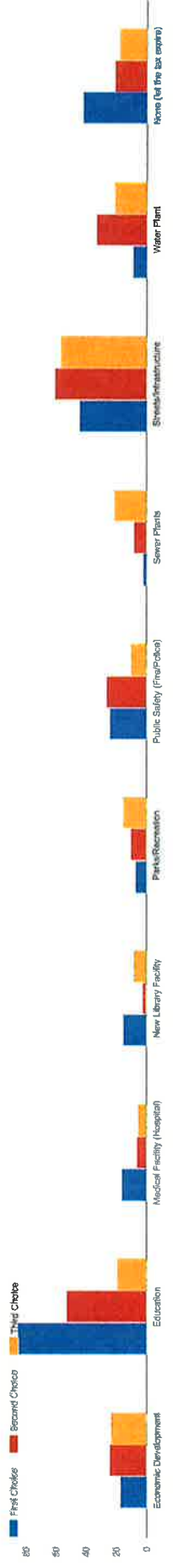
Library new facility only

Fire or Library

A new library facility would be great. The one we have now is run down and needs to be updated.

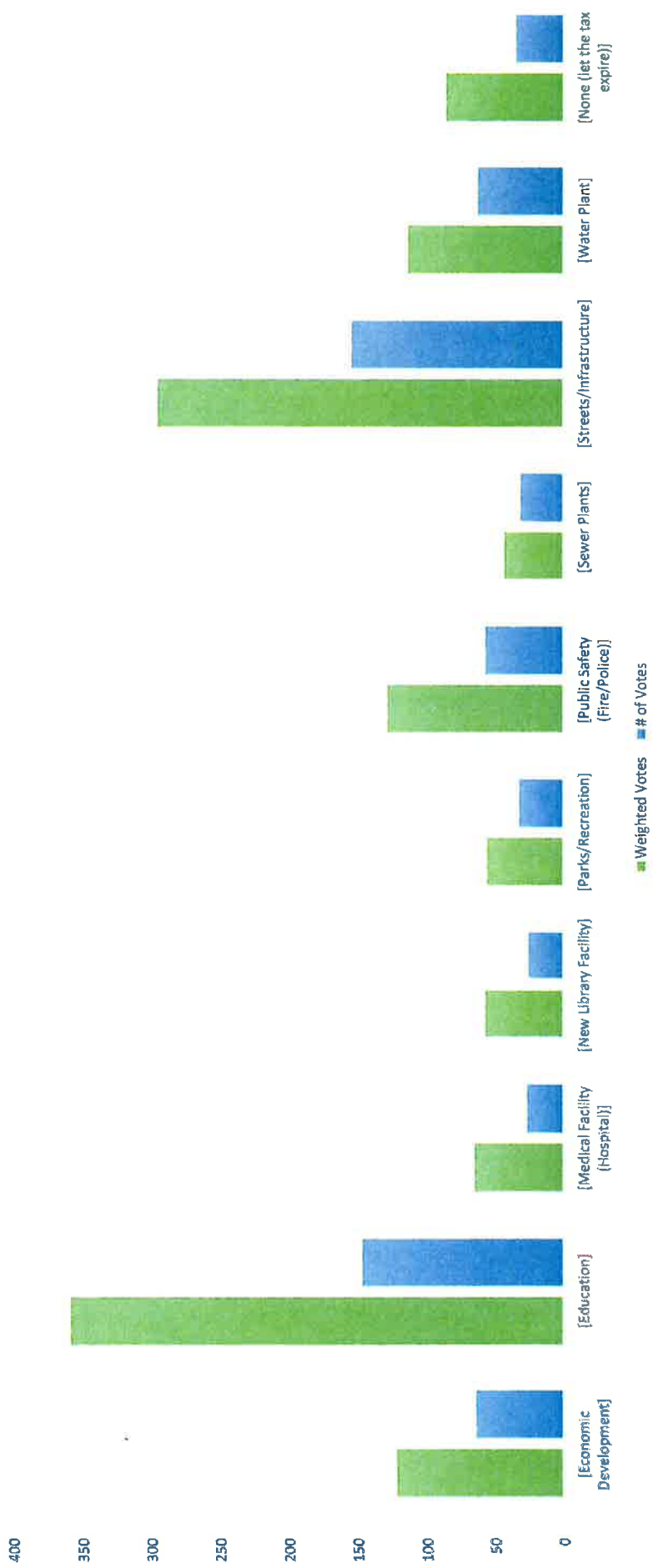
new library building

From the list below, which would be your first, second, and third choices to fund with the expiring 0.5% sales tax?

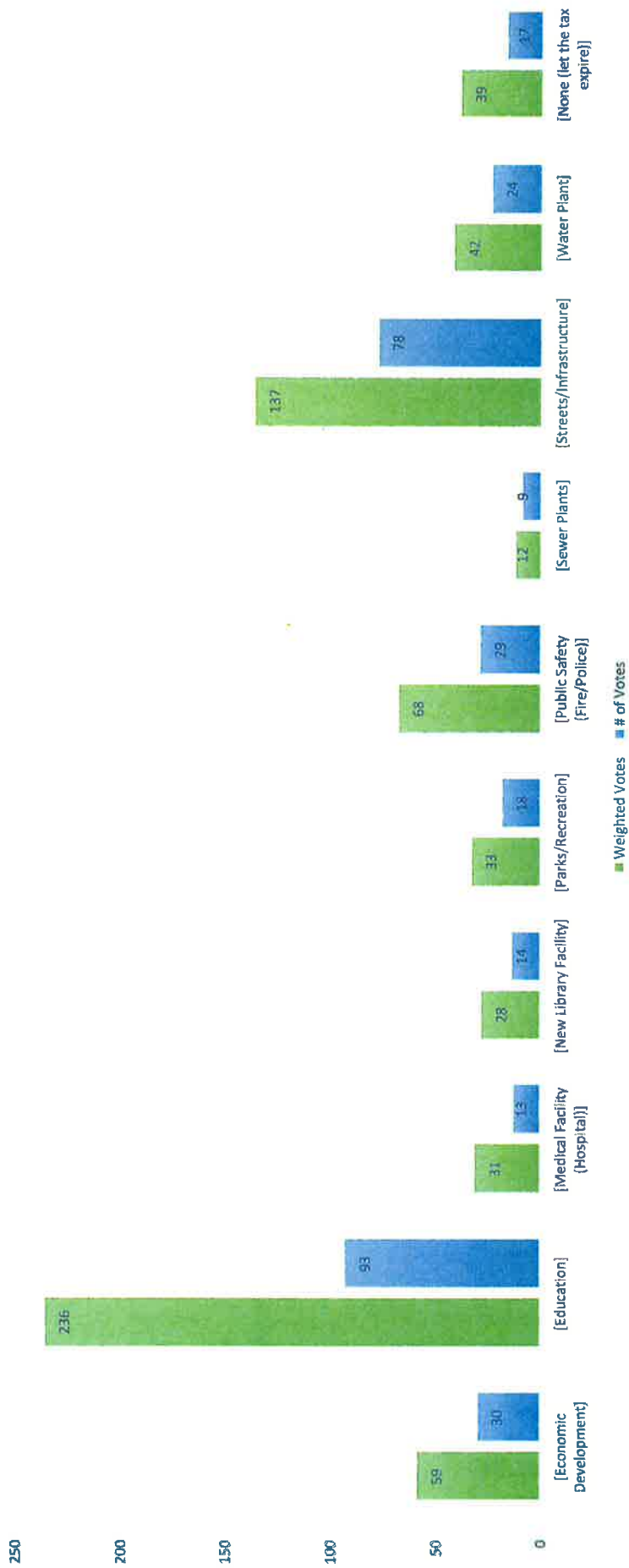




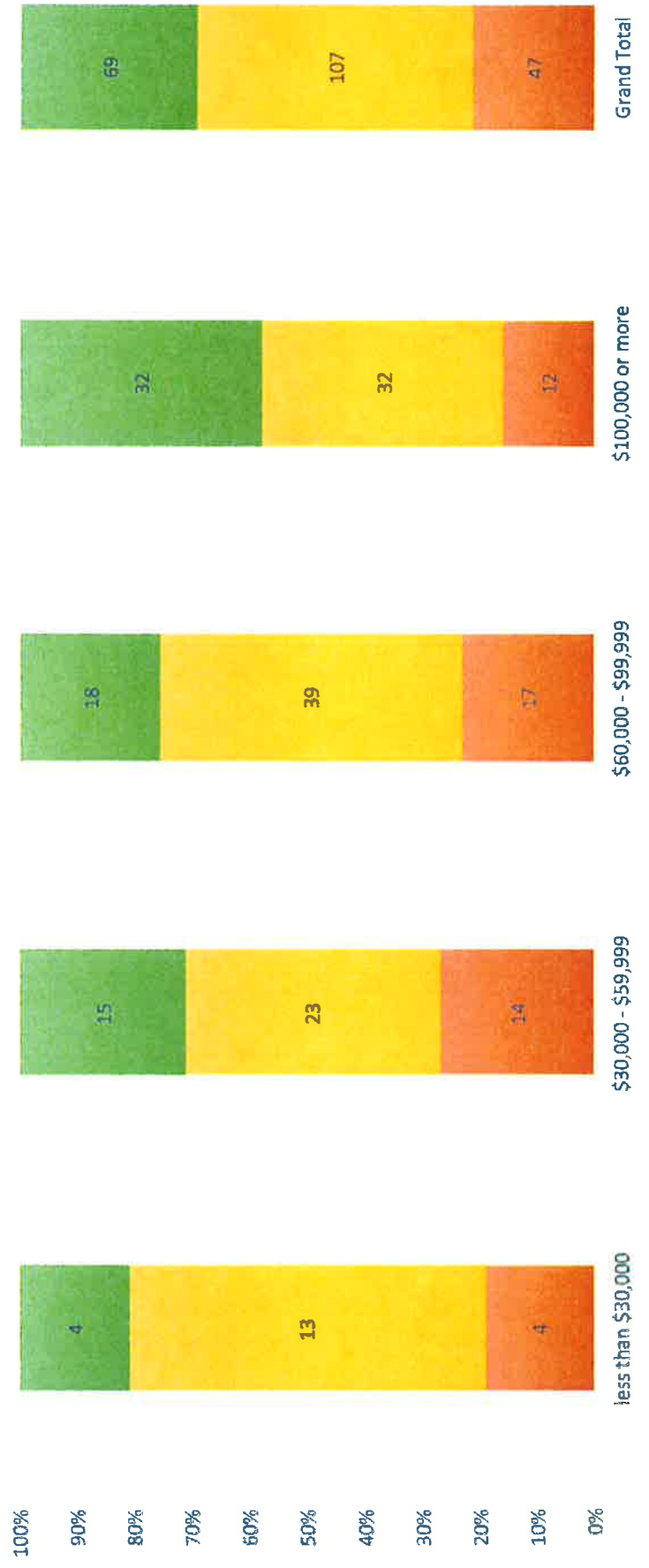
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# In addition to renewing or re-purposing the expiring 0.5% sales tax, would you also support an increase in city sales tax? - Filtered by reported household income



- Yes
- I support renewing/repurposing the expiring taxes, but would not support a sales tax increase.
- I do not support renewing/repurposing the expiring taxes or any sales tax increases.