

VIBRANT DENVER BOND
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Vibrant Denver Bond Measures 2A2E

Investing In Infrastructure Denver Depends On

September 2025

Agenda

What is a General Obligation Bond

History of GO Bonds in Denver

Summary of the Vibrant Denver Bond

Campaign

How You Can Help

GO Bond Background

General Obligation (GO) Bonds are a funding tool cities nationwide use to repair and improve essential infrastructure, facilities and assets, such as streets, bridges, parks, rec centers and libraries.

GO Bonds can support projects like repair of a road, replacement of a bridge, construction of a new rec center, renovation of a library branch, or other types of one-time capital infrastructure improvements.

Denver's GO bonds are not used for operations, schools, airport or other types of projects with alternative funding sources.

History of GO Bonds in Denver

Denver voters have authorized major General Obligation Bonds five times in the past 35 years to restore and improve critical infrastructure and boost economic activity and jobs:

- 1989-- \$241.7M
- 1998-- \$98.6M (Neighborhood Bonds)
- 2007--\$549.7M (Better Denver)
- 2017-- \$937M (Elevate Denver)
- 2021-- \$260M (PandemicRise Denver)

Projects From Previous Bonds Strengthen Our City



Denver Art Museum Addition



16th Street Improvements



Rodolfo "Corky" Gonzales Branch Library







Connecting Auraria

Why pursue the \$950M Vibrant Denver Bond package?

Because it allows us to repair and improve the critical infrastructure we rely on daily - our parks and recreation centers, roads and bridges, libraries, museums, theaters, shelters and health clinics. And we can do all of this without increasing taxes.

Additional Benefits of the Vibrant Denver Bond Package

Allows us to make progress on \$7B backlog of capital projects to repair and improve infrastructure we rely on every day.

Allows us to makes key improvements now to avoid higher costs later.

Will create thousands of jobs and drive nearly \$2B in economic activity.

Projects will have a 6-year delivery timeframe, which reduces cost-escalation risk and means people can see improvements sooner.

Projects Selected With Unprecedented Level of Public Input



THOROUGH REVIEW

FINAL CHANGES

7,600 touchpoints!

6,200 Survey Responses

- 1,000 Town Hall Attendees
- 50 Public Meetings
- Generated a starting list of 1,100 project ideas valued at \$6B

Technical Review Committee

Five Topic Based Stommittees

Executive Committee

Mayoral Review

Considerations such as...

How does the project benefit community?

Does it address historic deficits in services?

Does it create positive economic impact?

Can it be completed in 6 years?

City Council Approved

Legislative Process

City Council unanimously OK'd the Vibrant Denver Bond package on Aug. 4.

Five questions will appear on the Nov. 4 ballot.

1 Bond Package, 5 Questions, 200+ improvements, repairs & upgrades



What Projects are in the Vibrant Denver Bond?



Transportation & Mobility

Including...

Santa Fe Drive

13th/14th Ave Improvements

Evans Avenue

W 38th Avenue Multimodal Project



Parks& Rec

Including...

Southeast Rec Center and Skate Park

Aztlan Pool Replacement

Park Hill Park Buildout



Health & Human Services

Including...

Westside Denver Health Clinic

Denver Children's Advocacy Center



City Facilities

Including...

Blair Caldwell African American Research Library

Public Safety Training Center

Animal Shelter



Housing & Shelter

Including...

Colocated Housing and Library

Sheltering ADA Improvements

Land Acquisition

THE DENVER POST

Denver Post Endorses Vibrant Denver Bond

"The city will get roads and bridges, upgraded recreation centers, repaired librated buildings, investments in our many cultural facilities, and aals park ..."

"We hope voters say yes this fall."



Advocates and Ambassadors

Neighborhood Meetings

Large Events

Door-to-Door Canvassing

Paid Media

Social Media

FAQ's

Q: How can you be cutting the budget and doing a bond at the same time?

A: One-time capital vs. General Fund operating.

Q: With reduced staffing, does the City have the capacity to deliver bond projects?

A: Yes. The bond package was scoped with staff capacity and project readiness as key criteria.

Q: Can the City really afford to take on more debt?

A: Yes. The City has the capacity to issue the Vibrant Denver Bonds without raising taxes while still maintaining Denver's AAA bond rating, which keeps repayment costs as low as possible.

Q: If the bond package doesn't pass, property tax rates will go down, right?

A: Wrong. The existing 6.5 mills will stay in place to service other debt.

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Campaign Website: www.vibrantdenver.com

City website: www.denvergov.org/vibrantbond

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Endorsements

Please endorse the campaign!

Fundraising

Please support the campaign financially!



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