

criticized for financial "vagueness" because it allocates large sums of cash to broad categories rather than specific, finalized projects.

While the bond outlines five major program components, the following factors contribute to the perceived lack of detail:

Undetermined Project Lists: Funding is earmarked for broad "buckets" like Neighborhood Fire Stations (\$100 million) and Police Stations (\$72 million), but the city states that "specific project decisions will follow further assessment and public review" after the bond passes.

Flexible Repair Funds: A \$33 million portion is reserved for "high-need public safety building repairs". The final scope for these projects will only be "refined as part of the city's ongoing capital planning work," leaving voters without a definitive list of which roofs or electrical systems will be fixed.

Cost Estimates and Adjustments: The One San Francisco Capital Plan explicitly notes that all future debt program amounts are "estimates and may need to be adjusted" based on evolving city needs and economic conditions.

Tax Pass-Through Language: The ordinance allows landlords to pass through 50% of any resulting property tax increase to residential tenants. Because the city aims to keep tax rates flat by only issuing new debt as old debt is retired, the actual future impact on a tenant's rent remains speculative and depends on the timing of bond sales.

Long-Term Phasing: The bond is described as a "phased, tactical approach". This means some projects, such as the Potrero Bus Yard Modernization, are massive multi-year efforts where the 2026 bond only covers a portion of the total eventual cost, requiring further future funding to complete.

Coalition For San Francisco Neighborhoods

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VOTE NO on PROPOSITION A and say YES to our future Auxiliary Water Supply System (AWSS).

Your vote will make the City come back in November with a better plan.

The Mayor says this bond will provide the firefighting we need across the entire City.

Let's look at the details.

Two thirds of our City lacks adequate fire protection currently.

Prop A prioritizes building upsized drinking water lines over firefighting functionality. Hoses need 300 psi water pressure. SFPUC wants to build an expensive system reliant on remote-controlled valves that need to operate without failing in an emergency while adding Cyber Security risk. Using local treated water reserves puts us at additional risk of not having an adequate supply for both firefighting and drinking.

The 2026 Bond is a token deposit for less than 5 miles of pipeline. Subsequent phases to extend pipes another 11 miles into the Richmond and add pump stations would not be completed until after 2040! Overall, the Westside project alone will cost \$5 Billion (based on SFPUCs 2021 Concept Plan, bond interest would double that).

We can't wait until the latter half of the 21st century to have City-wide fire protection!

Previous SFFD leaders had completed designs to expand the AWSS, the seawater system that saved the Marina in 1989. But when SFPUC took over 16 years ago, the program direction, timeline, and budget went off the rails.

With a pivot back to AWSS and a new dedicated bond in November, San Franciscans could have the reliable fire protection system we deserve using sea/bay intakes, pumper trucks, and portable hoses and hydrants within 10 years and for 1/10th the cost.

VOTE NO on Proposition A so all San Franciscans are protected without delay.

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Vote NO on Proposition A

San Francisco voters, don't be fooled by Prop A's \$535 million "Earthquake Bond." NO more broken promises! NO more wasteful spending by City Hall. Vote NO on Proposition A.

\$130 million for a poorly planned, unworkable "Westside Potable Emergency Firefighting Water System" that is hardly a new idea. Firefighting water infrastructure was supposed to get \$312 million in bond funding in the last three bonds (2010, 2014, 2020).

Any results? After 16 years, ZERO new high-pressure hydrants, ZERO miles of seismically resilient pipelines in western and southern neighborhoods. And every Prop. A promise comes with bond language saying that the bond