Thursday, November 19, 2009

Economic Growth & Redevelopment Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 31

Subject: Approve a resolution adopting the E. 6th Street Public Improvement District (PID) Service Plan and Budget for 2010.

Amount and Source of Funding: 6ixth Street Austin submitted a 2010 budget for the PID in the amount of \$136,934. This budget will be funded from a total projected revenue of \$140,934. This amount includes \$63,486 in 2010 assessments (at a 90% collection rate), -\$145 in collections from 2009; \$3,803 interest accrued in the PID Account and late payments; a \$43,500 annual contribution from the City of Austin; and \$30,000 in donations, sponsorships and events to be raised by 6ixth Street Austin. Appropriation of the \$106,934 in the Economic Growth and Redevelopment Services Department Special Revenue Fund will require City Council authorization, and possible adjustment, after the assessment roll hearing on December 10, 2009. \$4,000 of the total amount will be retained as a reserve fund to cover revenue adjustments to the assessment roll. Related to Items #29, 32, & 80.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Prior Council Action: August 20, 2009 - Reauthorized the E. 6th Street PID.

The E. Sixth St. PID comprises 116 properties lining E. 6th St from I-35 to Congress Avenue. The assessment rate is \$.15 / \$100 valuation, on the first \$500,000 of value. In 2010 this assessment rate is expected to generate \$67,434 from assessments, interest, late payments and other adjustments. The City of Austin has also committed to provide \$43,500.

To supplement this, 6ixth Street Austin is proposing to raise an additional \$30,000.

FY 2010 Budget: Physical Improvements (Clean, Historic, Systems) 30%, Public Safety 20%, Communications/Membership 20%, Marketing/Fundraising/Economic Development 20%, Administration 10%. This action will approve the proposed E. 6th Street Public Improvement District Service Plan and Budget for 2010, as provided to the City by the 6ixth Street Austin. The proposed 2010 Assessment roll is based on the proposed Service Plan. State law requires Council approval of the Service Plan and Budget. Total projected revenue is \$140,934 and total proposed budget is \$136,934. The balance of \$4,000 is a reserve for revenue adjustments to the assessment roll. These estimates are based on the appraisal roll from TCAD as of October 2, 2009. Adjustments to the roll may be required based on new information from TCAD and Council action as a result of the December 10, 2009 public hearing. Approval of the proposed PID budget and the ordinance adopting an assessment rate and proposed assessment roll are the first steps in the annual process of approving PID assessments.