

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 15609 Agenda Number 104.

Meeting Date: 5/24/2012 Department: Planning and Development Review

Subject

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 25-2 to make outdoor amphitheaters and similar structures a conditional use in all zoning districts, even if the amphitheater or similar structure is associated with a civic or residential use. (Suggested date and time: June 14, 2012, 4:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX).

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	April 12, 2012: Council approved a resolution initiating amendments to the City Code Chapter 25-2 and directed the City Manager to develop a proposed ordinance making outdoor amphitheaters or similar structures a conditional use in all zoning districts.
For More Information:	Robert Heil, 974-2330.
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Planning Commission on May 22, 2012.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Commercial entertainment venues that host performances such as live music concerts and plays in an outdoors setting, such as in an amphitheater or similar structure, are considered by the City Code "outdoor entertainment" uses, which is a conditional use in every zoning district where it may be considered, requiring approval of a conditional use site plan by the Land Use Commission. During the conditional use permit approval process the impact on nearby properties of use may be considered.

To address the potential impacts of an amphitheater associated with non-commercial venues, the City Council directed staff to develop a proposed ordinance to make outdoor amphitheaters or similar structures a conditional use in all zoning districts, similar to outdoor entertainment, even if the amphitheater or similar structure is associated with a civic or residential use.