

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 20975 Agenda Number 67.

Meeting Date: 1/31/2013 Department: Planning and Development Review

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Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending City Code Chapters 25-1, 25-2, and 25-5 to require Land Use Commission approval for construction of outdoor amphitheaters and similar structures, whether associated with a principal or accessory use or not.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

| Purchasing Language: | |
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| Prior Council Action: | April 12, 2012: Council approved Resolution No. 20120412-024 directing the City Manager to develop a proposed ordinance to make outdoor amphitheaters or similar structures a conditional use in all zoning districts. |
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| Boards and Commission Action: | |
| MBE / WBE: | |
| Related Items: | |

Additional Backup Information

Commercial entertainment venues that host performances such as live music concerts and plays in an outdoor setting, such as in an amphitheater or similar structure, are considered "outdoor entertainment" uses by the City Code. "Outdoor entertainment" 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 the 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.