

## **Recommendation for Council Action**

| Austin City Council | Item ID | 23651 | Agenda Number | 61. |
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Meeting Date: 4/11/2013 Department: Planning and Development Review

## Subject

Approve third reading of an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 pertaining to downtown off- street parking requirements. THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THIS ITEM WAS HELD AND CLOSED ON FEBRUARY 28, 2013.

## Amount and Source of Funding

## Fiscal Note

| Purchasing                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |
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| Language: Prior Council Action:     | April 26, 2012 – Council approved Resolution No. 20120426-074 initiating amendments to Title 25 and directing the City Manager to develop an ordinance to reduce or eliminate minimum parking requirements in the Central Business District and Downtown Mixed Use zoning districts.  February 28, 2013 – Council conducted a public hearing and approved an ordinance on first reading with amendments.  March 21, 2013 – Ordinance approved on second reading with amendments. |  |
| For More<br>Information:            | George Zapalac, 974-2725.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| Boards and<br>Commission<br>Action: | October 17, 2012 – Approved by the Downtown Commission on a 8-0 vote with Commissioner's Barrera and Fernandez off the dais.  December 11, 2012 – Approved by the Urban Transportation Commission on a 6-1 vote with Commissioner Lanier voting against the item.  January 22, 2013 – Approved by the Planning Commission on a 8-0 vote with Commissioner Jean Stevens absent.                                                                                                   |  |
| MBE / WBE:                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |
| Related Items:                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |
| Additional Backup Information       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |

Amendments are proposed for Chapter 25 of the City Code pertaining to the requirements for off-street parking in the Central Business District (CBD), Downtown Mixed Use (DMU), and P-Public zoning districts in the downtown area of Austin. The amendment was initiated by City Council Resolution No. 20120426-074 and would eliminate minimum motor vehicle parking requirements for all uses in these districts. Parking would continue to be required for people with disabilities and for bicycles. Off-street loading requirements would also be modified, and off-site accessory parking would become a permitted rather than a conditional use in the downtown area.