

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Commissioners Court Meeting

Item ID 36514 Agenda Number 135.

Meeting Date: 9/25/2014 Department: Planning and Development Review

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NP-2013-0030 – South Austin Combined Neighborhood Plan – Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan by adopting the South Austin Combined Neighborhood Plan. The boundaries for the South Austin Combined Neighborhood Planning Area are Ben White Blvd. on the north, South 1st St. on the east, William Cannon Drive on the south, and the Sunset Valley City Limits on the west. Staff Recommendation: To grant the land use recommendations that implement the South Austin Combined Neighborhood Plan. Planning Commission Recommendation: To forward to Council with no recommendation. Applicant and Agent: City of Austin, Planning and Development Review Department. City Staff: Francis Reilly, 512-974-7657.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing	
Language:	
Prior Council Action:	June 28, 2012 - Council approved Resolution No. 20120628-039 directing the Planning Commission to consider a neighborhood plan for the following combined neighborhood areas: Westgate/South Manchaca/Garrison Park. July 22, 2014 - Planning Commission chose "no recommendation" for City Council consideration on a 5-0 vote with Commissioners Hatfield, Hernandez, Roark and Chimenti absent.
For More Information:	Francis Reilly, Planning and Development Review Department, 512-974-7657.
Boards and Commission Action:	To forward to Council with no recommendation.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The South Austin Combined Neighborhood Plan is the first neighborhood plan initiated after the adoption of the *Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan*. The combined planning area includes the Westgate, South Manchaca, and Garrison Park Planning Areas. The neighborhood planning process is a community-driven process that works within the framework of *Imagine Austin* to address the goals of the comprehensive plan and the neighborhood planning area at the neighborhood scale.

Planning and Development Review Department staff began meeting with stakeholders in late 2012 and held the first workshop in January 2013. Over the course of 2013, 12 workshops and other community meetings were held with the community. Staff also incorporated input collected through online and mail surveys, as well as attending neighborhood association meetings and meeting with stakeholders.

The vision statement for their neighborhood is to "Create a complete community that is mobile and interconnected; compact, accessible, and affordable; natural and sustainable; healthy, safe, creative, and engaged." The plan includes goals, policies, and actions related to transportation, land use, environment, health, safety, and creativity.