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Recommendation for Council Action

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| Austin City Council | Item ID | 43540 | Agenda Number | 29. |
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| Meeting Date: | 4/16/2015 | Department: | Planning and Zoning Department |
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Subject

Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending Title 25 of the City Code regarding adult-oriented businesses.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

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| Purchasing Language: | |
| Prior Council Action: | February 26, 2015 - Council approved Resolution No. 20150226-038 initiating amendments to City Code Title 25 related to adult oriented business use. |
| For More Information: | Greg Dutton, 512-974-3509 |
| Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action: | March 24, 2015 – Approved by the Planning Commission on an 8-0 vote with 1 vacancy. |
| MBE / WBE: | |
| Related Items: | |

Additional Backup Information

On February 26, 2015, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 20150226-038 to initiate a code amendment to make adult-oriented businesses conditional rather than permitted uses in the Central Business District (CBD) and Downtown Mixed Use (DMU) zoning categories. The purpose of this change is to allow for more public participation and more thoughtful consideration of how a proposed adult-oriented business use relates to the visions outlined in the Downtown Austin Plan, Imagine Austin, and other Council-adopted plans. Additionally, in the last 20 years, residential occupancy in CBD and DMU zoning districts has increased significantly. The Resolution also directed the City Manager to consider adding language that prohibits “locating adult-oriented businesses on lots within 1,000 feet of a museum or library.”

The proposed amendment will make adult-oriented businesses a conditional use in the DMU and CBD zoning districts and will prohibit adult-oriented businesses on lots within 1,000 feet of a museum or library. Museums will be defined as a building or site devoted to the acquisition, conservation, study, exhibition, and educational interpretation of objects having scientific, historic, or artistic value. After including the additional prohibitions (museum, library), staff identified five sites where adult-oriented businesses could locate.