

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 72868 Agenda Number 69.

Meeting Date: 8/17/2017 Department: Austin Water Utility

Subject

Conduct a public hearing to receive public comment on growth-related projects within the Drinking Water Protection Zone to be included in the FY 2017-2018 Capital Budget.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	January 17, 2013-Council approved Ordinance No. 20130117-017 amending the Austin Water Utility Financial Policies Adopted with the Operating Budget (Ordinance No. 20120910-001) to provide for a revised Austin Water Utility Financial Policy No. 8.
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	May 2, 2017-Recommended by the Zoning and Platting Commission on a 9-0 vote with commissioners Aguirre and Breithaupt absent. May 3, 2017-Recommended by the Environmental Commission on a 6-0 vote with commissioners Neely, Maceo, Guerrero and H. Smith absent. May 9, 2017-Recommended by the Planning Commission on a 11-0 vote with commissioners Thompson and White absent. June 14, 2017-Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 7-1 vote with commissioner Kellough voting against, commissioner's Maia and Parton abstaining, and commissioner Castleberry absent. June 20, 2017-Recommended by the Resource Management Commission on a 7-0 vote with commissioners Madison, Santiago, and White absent.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	
Additional Backup Information	

In accordance with City Ordinance No. 20130117-017, Austin Water's financial policies require a public hearing during the City's annual budget review process to provide citizens an opportunity to comment on growth-related projects within the Drinking Water Protection Zone (DWPZ).

Capital improvement projects for new water and wastewater treatment plants, capital expansions, and growth-related projects that are located in the DWPZ were identified and submitted, as part of the annual budget process, to the following Boards and Commissions: Water and Wastewater Commission, Resource Management Commission, Environmental Board, Planning Commission, and the Zoning and Platting Commission.

These Boards and Commission reviewed growth-related DWPZ capital projects spending plans, provided input, reviewed consistency with Imagine Austin comprehensive plan, reviewed effect on growth within the DWPZ, and made recommendations on projects. All Boards and Commissions approved to include DWPZ projects in Austin Water's 5-year spending plan.

A public hearing will be held during the City's annual budget review process to provide citizens an additional opportunity to comment on growth related projects located within the DWPZ.