

BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION South Central Waterfront Advisory Board

Date: May 2, 2022 Subject: 2022-2023 Budget Recommendation

Description:

SCWAB held a special called public meeting on May 2, 2022 and considered recommendations to the City's FY2022-23 proposed budget to be considered by City Council this summer. This resolution was adopted recommending to Council to include a dedicated community engagement process regarding the proposed Lady Bird Lake waterfront park and other open spaces included in the South-Central Waterfront area.

Whereas, the community engagement on the South-Central Waterfront Plan was completed in 2017, and the community has not been formally engaged since,

Whereas, the City Council is considering an application to amend the PUD at 305 South Congress which proposes to dedicate eight acres of parks and public spaces, including a Lady Bird Lake waterfront park with boardwalk, bat-watching area, reconstructed hike-and-bike trail, and spaces named the Great Lawn and Great Steps,

Whereas, the proposed Blue Line Bridge being implemented with Project Connect will include possible pedestrian and bicycle access,

SCWAB recommends to City Council to consider allocating funding for outreach and community engagement regarding the accessibility, programming, and operations of the Lady Bird Lake waterfront park and other open spaces included in the South-Central Waterfront area. Further this public engagement should include a discussion regarding the overall South Central Waterfront Vision Plan and the community benefits detailed therein.

Record of the Vote: 6 Yes , 0 Nays

Attest:

Samuel Franco, Chair