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Recommendation for Council Action

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| Austin City Council | Item ID | 38759 | Agenda Number | 37. |
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| Meeting Date: | 12/11/2014 | Department: | Government Relations |
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Subject

Approve a resolution amending the City's State Legislative Program for the 84th Texas Legislature to support legislation that expands the authority of municipalities with respect to the use of public improvement districts to encourage tourism.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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| Purchasing Language: | |
| Prior Council Action: | |
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| Boards and Commission Action: | |
| MBE / WBE: | |
| Related Items: | |

Additional Backup Information

City staff asks that Council approve pursuit of state legislation that would allow the City of Austin to be added to the list of cities that are authorized to consider and approve creation of a tourism public improvement district. If authorized by the State, such a district could only be created if the City Council receives a petition signed by over fifty percent of the property owners who would be subject to the district assessment. If such a petition is received, the creation of the District is subject to the approval of the City Council.