Posting Language
Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance granting additional floor-to-area (FAR) entitlements to the project at 60 East Avenue and 61and 69 Rainey Street under City Code Section 25-2-586(B)(6) (Downtown Density Bonus Program). (Suggested date: February 18, 2021, Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas).

Lead Department
Housing and Planning

Fiscal Note
This item will have no fiscal impact.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:


Additional Backup Information:
On February 27, 2014, Council approved modifications to the Downtown Density Bonus Program (DDBP) via Ordinance No. 20140227-054 allowing an eligible project to request additional FAR after participating in the program as described in Section 25-2-586. Previous to this Council action, the Central Urban Redevelopment Overlay (CURE) was used to achieve additional height and density for certain properties in downtown.

The applicant is seeking additional density (FAR) for the subject property located within the DDBP boundaries and within the Rainey District of downtown. The property is currently zoned Central Business District (CBD) and is subject to the provisions of the Rainey Street Subdistrict Regulations of the Waterfront Overlay under Section 25-2-739.

The applicant is requesting approval for additional density (FAR) under the provisions of Section 25-2-586(B) (6) for the construction of a 48 story, multi-family residential building, which will include retail on the ground floor, garage parking and streetscape improvements in accordance with the DDBP. Staff has reviewed the DDBP request and found it to be in compliance with the provisions of the program and recommends APPROVAL of the request for 22:1 FAR as requested in site plan SP-2019-0465C.