



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1862, Agenda Item #: 41.

5/5/2022

Posting Language

Set a public hearing to consider a resolution to authorize the Downtown Austin Public Improvement District. (Suggested public hearing date: June 9, 2022 at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin Texas).

Lead Department

Economic Development.

Fiscal Note

There is no fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

April 15, 1993 - Council authorized the creation of the Downtown Austin Public Improvement District (Downtown PID) in Resolution No. 930415-88, by a vote of 7-0.

October 23, 1997 - Council approved reauthorization of Downtown PID with Resolution No. 971023-30, by a vote of 6-0 with CM Griffith off the dais.

October 24, 2002 - Council approved reauthorization of Downtown PID with Resolution No. 021024-53, by a vote of 5-0 with CM Griffith off the dais and CM Dunkerley absent.

October 18, 2007 - Council approved reauthorization of Downtown PID with Resolution No. 20071018-082, by a vote of 6-0 with CM Martinez off the dais.

October 11, 2012 - Council approved reauthorization of Downtown PID with Resolution No. 20121011-115, by a vote of 6-0 with Mayor Pro Tem Cole abstaining.

June 23, 2016 -- Council approved boundary expansion of the Downtown PID with Resolution No. 20160623-100, by a vote of 10-0 with CM Zimmerman abstaining.

May 10, 2018 -- Council approved boundary expansion of the Downtown PID with Resolution No. 20180510-090, by a vote of 10-0 with CM Troxclair absent.

December 13, 2018-- Council approved boundary expansion of the Downtown PID with Resolution No. 20181213-096, by a vote of 8-0 with Mayor Adler and CM Alter off the dais and CM Renteria absent.

May 23, 2019 -- Council approved boundary expansion of the Downtown PID with Resolution No. 20190523-039, by a vote of 11-0.

June 20, 2019 -- Council approved boundary expansion of the Downtown PID with Resolution No. 20190620-110, by a vote of 10-0 with CM Casar off the dais.

December 5, 2019 -- Council approved boundary expansion of the Downtown PID with Resolution No.

20191205-083, by a vote of 8-0 with CMs Alter, Kitchen and Pool off the dais.

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Additional Backup Information:

This action would set the public hearing on the authorization of Downtown PID, as requested by the property owners. Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 372, requires that the governing body of the municipality hold a public hearing on the authorization. Upon conclusion of this hearing, the governing body is to make certain findings by resolution.

The existing Downtown PID terminates on October 11, 2022. The PID management entity, Austin DMO, Inc., doing business as the Downtown Austin Alliance (DAA), has submitted petitions requesting a significant change to the boundaries of the existing Downtown PID, and thus the public hearing is to consider the authorization of a new Downtown PID. Council approval is required for the district to continue. Under the City's PID Policy, adopted by Resolution No. 20200220-015, Council authorization to create a PID sets minimum expiration date of five years from date of PID creation; the Downtown PID petition, Section XI, requests a term of 10 years for the Downtown PID under consideration.

The signed petitions submitted by DAA represent more than 51% of the appraised value of all taxable real property liable for assessment under the proposed PID authorization and constitute over 51% of the area of all taxable real property liable for assessments under the proposal. As certified by the City Clerk, (Attachment A), the number of signatures is greater than the number required by law and meets the legal requirements for a petition requesting authorization of the PID.

Prior to the public hearing, city staff will provide written notification to property owners and issue a public notice in the Austin American Statesman as required by law.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment, Safety, Mobility.