



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Public Hearing/First Reading for the City Council Meeting 05/14/2013
Second Reading for the City Council Meeting 05/28/2013

DATE: April 10, 2013
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Amending the South Central Area Development Plan, an Element of the Corpus Christi
Comprehensive Plan

CAPTION:

Ordinance amending the South Central Area Development Plan, an element of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Corpus Christi by renaming the Plan; updating goals and policies; providing new measurable strategies and a new multi-modal transportation plan, urban design plan, and urban living options plan; updating the future land use map; providing for severance; and providing for publication

PURPOSE:

To update goals, policies, and the Future Land Use Maps of the South Central Area Development Plan, an element of the Comprehensive Plan. The plan will incorporate new measurable strategies a new, multi-modal transportation map, urban design and urban living plans within the area development plan.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Central Business Development Plan as planned and vetted through the established Central Business Development Plan Planning Committee. The Planning Committee formed consists of Engineers, Business Owners, Realtors, Residential and Commercial Builders, and representatives from community organizations and agencies including the Metropolitan Planning Organization, CCRTA, CCNAS, TAMU, Uptown Neighborhood Initiative, Downtown Management District, Westside Business Association, Bay Area Smart Growth Initiative, Destination Bayfront, and representatives from the City's Engineering, Park and Recreation, Business Support Services (Zoning and Project Management) Departments and the City's Planning and Environmental Services Department. Following the numerous presentations to stakeholders and vetting groups, the drafted plan was amended each time to include and address the suggestions, comments, and concerns of each group.

In addition to renaming the plan area as the "Central Business Development Plan", plan boundaries have been proposed to extend beyond the former boundaries to include a portion of the Westside Area Development Plan to the west, and the Washington-Coles and Hillcrest neighborhoods to the north. New additions to the plan include a Multi-Modal Transportation Map, an Urban Design Map, an Urban Living Options diagram, and an updated Future Land Use Plan that includes mixed-uses as additional land use descriptions.

ALTERNATIVES:

Approval of the amendments to the South Central Area Development Plan with specific conditions.

Denial of the amendments to South Central Area Development Plan.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

The proposed amendment to the South Central Area Development Plan is consistent with the intent of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-Emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Planning Commission recommendation: Approval of the plan at the February 27, 2013 meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Operating Revenue Capital Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2012-2013	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

Fund(s):

Comments:

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposed amendments to the South Central Area Development Plan.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Planning Commission Unofficial Minutes 2-27-2013
Ordinance with Exhibits
Powerpoint