

PROPOSED TYPE A SALES TAX REAUTHORIZATION DISCUSSION

Marina Advisory Committee April 8, 2024



BACKGROUND

Currently the City has two 1/8 cent sales tax venues authorized

- Approved by voters on November 2000
- Approved for a 25-year term to bond Arena and Seawall projects

Arena-1/8 cent

- Currently authorized for Arena debt service, capital projects, and operational needs of the Arena
- Expires September 2025
- 1/8 cent of the sales tax collection is approximately \$8 Million annually

Seawall-1/8 cent

- Currently authorized for Seawall debt service, capital projects, and operational needs
- Expires March 2026
- 1/8 cent of the sales tax collection is approximately \$8 Million annually



AUTHORIZATION

- The Development Corporation Act of 1979 allows cities to create economic development corporations (EDCs) whose purpose is to encourage new growth in the local economy.
- Eligible project types include quality of life improvement: convention, tourism, and entertainment facilities, professional and amateur sports and athletics facilities, affordable housing projects, water and sewage facilities, and parking and transportation facilities.
- Projects that develop and expand business enterprises or retain jobs.
- Not Eligible uses: Residential streets, residential areas, or general city services.



ENGAGEMENT

- Beginning in November 2023, the City Manager met one-on-one with all City Council members.
- City Manager has held meetings with several stakeholders.
- On February 27, 2024, City Council meeting discussed the Type A Sales Tax reauthorization to develop the baseline for proposed uses.



POTENTIAL USES-1/8 CENT ARENA

- Use for the American Bank Center: Arena, Convention Center, and Selena Auditorium
- Certain City owned buildings and assets in the Sports,
 Entertainment, and Arts (SEA) District:
 - Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History
 - Art Museum of South Texas
 - Texas State Museum of Asian Cultures and Education Center
 - Harbor Playhouse
 - Water Garden



CITY OWNED PROPERTIES IN THE SEA DISTRICT



POTENTIAL USES-1/8 CENT SEAWALL

- Downtown Seawall Flood Control structures including maintenance and improvements to the breakwater that would support new or expanded business enterprises
- City-wide flood, drainage, stormwater, and coastal resiliency projects that would support new or expanded business enterprises
- Would not include the public facilities along the Seawall











Term

The proposed renewal term is for 25 years



KEY DATES AND NEXT STEPS

| DATE | ACTIVITY |
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| November to January | City Manager one-on-one meetings with all City Council members |
| February 27, 2024 | Discussion at City Council Meeting to set baseline |
| March 18, 2024 | Discussion at Type A Board Meeting |
| March – April 2024 | Discussion with Stakeholders |
| May 1, 2024 – May 31, 2024 | Community Engagement Meetings and Community Survey |
| June 1, 2024 – June 30, 2024 | Refinement of proposed uses for the Sales Tax Reauthorization |
| July 16, 2024 | Presentation to City Council of final recommended sales tax uses |
| August 13, 2024 | Vote to call election for sales tax reauthorization - First Reading Ordinance |
| November 5, 2024 | Election ₁₃ |



Questions and Discussion