

City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 18-00075 City Council 2/8/2018

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: City Council President Gerald Wingate

SUBJECT:

SCHEDULING SPECIAL WORKSHOP FOR REVIEW OF DRAFT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA OVERLAYS

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council schedule a special workshop to be held on Monday, March 19, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., following a combined special workshop of the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Pensacola and the City of Pensacola Planning Board, for review of draft community redevelopment area overlays.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

The establishment of urban design standards has been identified as a key priority redevelopment project within each of the City of Pensacola's adopted community redevelopment plans, including the Urban Core Redevelopment Plan (2010), the Westside Redevelopment Plan, and the Eastside Neighborhood Plan, as incorporated into the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Area Plan. The Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Pensacola (CRA) approved the Fiscal Year 2017/2018 CRA Work Plan which authorized the development, adoption and codification of design standards for each of the City's three community redevelopment areas.

In accordance with the City's adopted redevelopment plans and the Fiscal Year 2017/2018 CRA Work Plan, the CRA submitted an application and received notice of award for a Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) Community Planning Technical Assistance grant in the amount of \$40,000 to supplement the full cost of engaging a highly qualified urban design consulting team. Acceptance of the grant and authorization to enter into a grant agreement was approved by the CRA and City Council on September 11, 2017 and November 9, 2017, respectively.

Pursuant to the grant terms, four full days of intensive community input sessions (a charrette) have been scheduled for February 12-15, 2018 to be held at the Sanders Beach Resource Center. The charrette will offer an efficient and collaborative approach to community information sharing and community input on the development of the draft overlays. This opportunity will feature focused meetings, public presentations, and working studio sessions that are open to the public. The process will include considerable time for citizens and City officials to engage in questions and answers with the CRA's consultant, DPZ CoDESIGN.

Pursuant to the grant terms, the draft community redevelopment area overlays of design standards must be presented to the CRA, Planning Board, City Council and the community at a public workshop. City Council is asked to schedule a special public workshop to be held on Monday, March 19, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., following a combined public workshop of the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Pensacola and the City of Pensacola Planning Board, for review of the draft overlay recommendations.

PRIOR ACTION:

October 26, 2000 - City Council adopted the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Plan.

February 9, 2004 - City Council approved the Eastside Neighborhood Plan.

October 17, 2005 - City Council amended and readopted the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Plan, incorporating therein the Eastside Neighborhood Plan.

May 27, 2007 - City Council adopted the Westside Community Redevelopment Plan.

January 14, 2010 - City Council adopted the Urban Core Community Redevelopment Plan (2010).

April 10, 2017 - The CRA approved the CRA Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2018 and the balance of Fiscal Year 2017 which included the development of design standards for the Urban Core, Westside and Eastside community redevelopment areas.

September 11, 2017 - The CRA approved acceptance of the DEO Technical Assistance Community Planning Technical Assistance grant for the establishment of community redevelopment area overlays of design standards.

September 11, 2017 - The CRA approved Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 2017-13 CRA appropriating the DEO Technical Assistance Community Planning Technical Assistance grant funds in the amount of \$40,000.

September 14, 2017 - City Council approved Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 17-60 appropriating the DEO Technical Assistance Community Planning Technical Assistance grant funds in the amount of \$40,000.

October 9, 2017 - The CRA approved an award of contract with DPZ CoDESIGN under Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 17-043 for Urban Design and Code Amendment Services for the community redevelopment area overlays of design standards.

November 9, 2017 - City Council approved acceptance of the DEO Technical Assistance Community Planning Technical Assistance grant for the establishment of community redevelopment area overlays of design standards.

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

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None

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ATTACHMENTS:

1) None

PRESENTATION: No