

| Austin City Council | Item ID | 22777 | Agenda Number | 35. |
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Meeting Date: 3/28/2013 Department: Planning and Development Review

## Subject

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 25-2, to make "Indoor Entertainment" a conditional use in the TOD Mixed Use zoning category. (Suggested date and time: April 11, 2013, at 4:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX).

## Amount and Source of Funding

## Fiscal Note

| Purchasing                    |  |  |
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| Language:                     |  |  |
| Prior Council<br>Action:      | January 31, 2013: Council approved Resolution No. 20130131-031 initiating a code amendment to the Plaza Saltillo TOD District Station Area Plan and Regulating Plan to allow indoor entertainment as a conditional use in the TOD Mixed Use zoning category. |  |
| For More                      | Christine Freundl, 974-2868.   |  |
| Information:                  |  |  |
| Boards and                    | To be reviewed by the Planning Commission on March 26, 2013.   |  |
| Commission                    | To be reviewed by the Flathing Continussion of March 20, 2015.   |  |
| Action:                       |  |  |
| MBE / WBE:                    |  |  |
| Related Items:                |  |  |
| Additional Backup Information |  |  |

This amendment has the following proposed changes:

This amendment would make "Indoor Entertainment" a permitted use in the TOD Mixed Use Subdistrict of the Plaza Saltillo TOD. Indoor Entertainment is defined as "a predominantly spectator use conducted within an enclosed building. This includes meeting halls and dance halls". The TOD Mixed Use Subdistrict is defined as "the most intensively developed land use zone and will typically be expressed as high density residential over active ground floor uses, such as retail. This land use designation is concentrated near the transit station and along primary streets that lead to it....".

The Plaza Saltillo TOD refers to the area of East Austin roughly bounded by I-35 to the west, 3rd or 4th street to the south, Chicon to the east, and 7th street to the north. In 2009, the properties located roughly within in this boundary were rezoned to TOD-NP zoning. This zoning adopted a Regulating Plan with specific regulations aimed at promoting multi-modal development within walking distance of the Plaza Saltillo MetroRail Station. These regulations replaced 25-2 of the Land Development code as related to height limits, development standards, and building design standards.

The Plaza Saltillo TOD Regulating Plan designates four subdistricts ranging from high density uses and form near the MetroRail station and tapering to low density uses and form closer to existing single family neighborhoods.

Staff recommends approval of this amendment.