

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	25202	Agenda Number	21.
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Meeting Date:	6/20/2013	Department:	Parks and Recreation
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Subject

Approve an ordinance authorizing negotiation and execution of a joint development agreement and related documents between Waller Creek Conservancy, the City and the Waller Creek Local Government Corporation concerning the revitalization of the Waller Creek District. Related to Item # 23.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
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Prior Council Action:	February 14, 2013 – Council authorized an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding to authorize the City's contribution of \$270,000 toward the Conservancy's hiring of Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates/Thomas Phifer & Partners for design services related to coordination of the Waller Creek Tunnel Program with the Waller Creek Design; December 6, 2012 – Council approved Resolution No. 20121206-038 authorizing negotiation and execution of an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Conservancy for the City to contribute an amount not to exceed \$75,000 toward the Conservancy's hiring of a Project Coordinator and to acknowledge the City and Conservancy agreement to retain the selected design team; October 18, 2012 – Council approved Resolution No. 20121018-068 affirming the selection of the design team chosen by the Waller Creek Design Competition Jury relating to the revitalization of the Waller Creek District; April 28, 2011 – Council approved Resolution No. 20110428-014 authorizing the creation and incorporation of the Waller Creek Local Government Corporation; September 23, 2010 – Council approved Resolution No. 20100923-090 directing the city manager to explore a public-private partnership for the development, management, and operation of the Waller Creek District including Waterloo and Palm Park with the Waller Creek Conservancy.
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Additional Backup Information

Council adopted Resolution No. 20100923-090 on September 23, 2010, directing the City Manager to explore a public-private partnership with the Waller Creek Conservancy ("Conservancy") for the development, management, and operation of the Waller Creek District ("District"). On April 28, 2011, Council approved a memorandum of understanding with the Conservancy laying the foundation for a cooperative working relationship between the City and the Conservancy. The agreement described the international design competition funded by both the City and the Conservancy that resulted in the selection of Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates/Thomas Phifer & Partners as the design team for the Waller Creek District. Council created the Waller Creek Local Government Corporation (LGC) at the same time to act on behalf of the City in matters related to the District. The initial agreement contemplated that once the design competition was completed and a firm was selected, the City, the Conservancy and the LGC would execute a joint development agreement in order to move forward with the revitalization of the District.

Council is being asked to approve the negotiation and execution of the joint development agreement between the Waller Creek Conservancy, the City and the Wall Creek Local Government Corporation.