



COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Date: 12/09/15

Agenda Item #: 3

Agenda Item: *Consider a draft ordinance that would establish a Homestead Preservation District Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone in District A.*

Vote

3-1 [Committee members are Council Member Renteria (Chair), Council Member Kitchen (Vice-Chair), Council Member Casar, and Council Member Gallo.]

Original Sponsors/Department

SPONSOR: Council Member Casar

Summary of Discussion

Committee members discussed a motion brought forward by Council Member Casar regarding a recommendation to Council to increase the percentage of tax revenue dedicated to the Housing Trust Fund from developments that are built on property that was formerly City owned property from 40% to 100%, and dedicate that 60% increase toward affordable housing in homestead preservation districts. During the discussion, a proposal was made to have the increased revenue be used in both homestead preservation districts and high opportunity areas.

The Committee recommended dedicating two-thirds of the 60% increase (i.e. 40% of the total Housing Trust Fund after the increase) toward affordable housing in homestead preservation districts and one-third of the 60% increase (i.e. 20% of the total Housing Trust Fund after the increase) toward affordable housing in high opportunity areas.

Direction

The Committee voted 3-1 (with Council Member Gallo opposing) to recommend moving the motion to the full Council for consideration.

Recommendation

The Committee voted to recommend to the full Council that the City increase the percentage of tax revenue dedicated to affordable housing from previously owned City of Austin public land from 40% to 100%, and dedicate two-thirds of the increase toward affordable housing in homestead preservation districts and one-third of the increase toward affordable housing in high opportunity areas.

Additional Information Needed

None