URB AGENDA ITEM #3e

Extend Urban Renewal Plan — what are the required steps and timelines to extend before it expires?

Per Charles Zech, Urban Renewal Board attorney, Chapter 374 of the Texas Local Government Code does not require an expiration date for an Urban Renewal Plan nor does it talk about how to terminate it or extend it if it has a termination date. The Code only addresses "creation" and "modification" of the urban renewal plan. So the question is whether extending the existing termination date is a "modification" of the plan. Without conducting any research on the issue, it is his opinion that changing the termination date is not a modification of the plan. As such the extension could be accomplished by City Council by any process it determines appropriate so long as it is ultimately effectuated by ordinance.