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Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2291, Agenda Item #: 137.

Posting Language

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance granting site-specific amendments to City Code Section 25-8-514 of the Save Our Springs Initiative to allow completion of the Barton Springs Bathhouse Rehabilitation Project (SPC-2012-0104D(R6)). This project is located in the Barton Springs Zone. (Suggested date: September 14, 2023, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street).

Lead Department

Watershed Protection Department.

Fiscal Note

This item will have no fiscal impact.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

Initiated by the Codes and Ordinance Joint Committee on June 21, 2023, and by Planning Commission on June 27, 2023.

Reviewed by Environmental Commission on July 5, 2023.

To be reviewed by Codes and Ordinances Joint Committee on July 19, 2023.

To be reviewed by Planning Commission Hearing on July 25, 2023.

Additional Backup Information:

The Barton Springs Bathhouse Rehabilitation is a major component identified in the 2009 Council-approved Barton Springs Pool Master Plan and further outlined in the Zilker Park Bathhouse Zone Feasibility Study (completed in 2016). Major elements of work will include accessibility and life safety improvements, replacement of the plumbing and HVAC systems, and structural repair and restoration of critical parts of the entry rotunda and the changing rooms. Improvements to the Aquatic facilities and the Sheffield Education Center are also a part of this project.

Anticipated community benefits are a safer public facility, an improved Texas Accessibility Standards accessible public facility meeting current compliance codes, increased pedestrian mobility, and enhanced park use.

Funding for this rehabilitation project is provided through 2012 and 2018 General Obligation Bond funds, the Historic Preservation Fund, and contributions from the Barton Springs Conservancy. Additional exhibit contributions are provided by the City's Watershed Protection Department and Austin Water Department.

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