

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 24-4454, Agenda Item #: 66.

5/2/2024

Posting Language

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 (Land Development) to create a new zoning district for a density bonus program focused on creative space and performance venue preservation that includes, at a minimum, modified site requirements; and initiating amendments to City Code Title 25 (Land Development) to create a Red River Cultural Subdistrict within the area subject to the Downtown Density Bonus Program. (Suggested Date: July 18, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas).

Lead Department

Economic Development Department.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

To be reviewed by the Planning Commission on May 28, 2024.

Additional Backup Information:

On September 14, 2024, City Council adopted Ordinance No. 20230914-097, which modified land use definitions related to theater and personal improvement services, modified regulations applicable to home occupations, and added regulations for performance venues and related alcohol sales. This second phase builds upon the prior ordinance to support preservation and new development of affordable space for live music venues and creative spaces. The code amendment will create a new zoning district with a density bonus program that includes requirements to preserve existing creative spaces, produce new affordable creative space, and establish minimum standards for creative space uses.

The ordinance will also initiate amendments needed to create a Red River Cultural Subdistrict within the area subject to the Downtown Density Bonus Program.