

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

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at MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org by **3:00pm on Monday**.

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Date of Request: April 25, 2016

Please mark one: Bill Request or Resolution Request

1. Has your agency submitted this request in the last 12 months?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

2. **Title:** A bill for an ordinance approving the 2560 Welton Street Letter Agreement among Denver Urban Renewal Authority ("DURA"), the City and County of Denver and Urban Drainage and Flood Control District ("UDFC") for the 2560 Welton Street Project to establish, among other matters, the parameters for tax increment financing with incremental property taxes.

3. **Requesting Agency:** Denver Urban Renewal Authority/Department of Finance

4. **Contact Person:** (With actual knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution.)

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5. **Contact Person:** (With actual knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution who will present the item at Mayor-Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary.)

- **Name:** Tracy Huggins, Executive Director, Denver Urban Renewal Authority
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6. General description of proposed ordinance including contract scope of work if applicable:

****Please complete the following fields:** (Incomplete fields may result in a delay in processing. If a field is not applicable, please enter N/A for that field.)

a. **Contract Control Number:**

b. **Duration:** Payment of incremental property taxes and incremental sales taxes to DURA shall cease on the earlier of (i) repayment of all Obligations or (ii) the date that is twenty-five (25) years from the date of the approval by the Denver City Council of the Welton Corridor Urban Redevelopment Plan amendment authorizing the use of tax increment financing (the "Term").

c. **Location:** The Welton Corridor Urban Redevelopment Area is comprised of approximately 85 acres and is situated immediately to the northeast of downtown Denver. The Urban Redevelopment Area is centered around Welton Street and is generally bounded by Broadway Street on the west, Glenarm Place and 24th Avenue on the south, Downing Street on the east, and on the north either by California Street or the alley between Welton and California Streets. The proposed project is located at 2560 Welton and consists of the development of a mixed use project including apartment units, retail and office space. (the "Project").

d. **Affected Council District:** Council District #8 – Albus Brooks

e. **Benefits:** The general objectives of the Welton Corridor Urban Redevelopment Plan are to reduce or eliminate blighting conditions as well as to stimulate growth and redevelopment. The Urban Redevelopment Plan establishes the framework for future City Council approval of public improvement projects and private redevelopment projects and the use of Property and/or Sales Tax Increment Financing (TIF) for those approved projects. The Urban Redevelopment Plan

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Amendment will approve the 2560 Welton Street Project and establish the 2560 Welton Street Property Tax Increment and Sales Tax Increment Areas to provide funding assistance in the form of incremental property and sales taxes.

As required by State Statute, before any urban renewal plan containing any tax allocation provisions that allocates any taxes of any public body other than the municipality may be approved by the municipal governing body there must be an agreement governing the types and limits of tax revenues of each taxing entity to be allocated to the urban renewal plan. The agreement must address, without limitation, estimated impacts of the urban renewal plan on district services association solely with the urban renewal plan. Urban Drainage and Flood Control District (“UDFC”) has indicated that the 2560 Welton Project, as an approved project utilizing incremental property taxes, will have no material impact on district services and has agreed to allow all legally available property tax increment attributable to the UDFC mill levy to be allocated to DURA through the term of the Cooperation Agreement between the City and County of Denver and DURA.

f. Costs: Upon approval by City Council of the Property Tax Increment and Sales Tax Increment Areas, the incremental tax revenues will be available to the Denver Urban Renewal Authority for the purpose of financing project costs for the benefit of the Urban Redevelopment Area. Specifically, property tax increment and sales tax increment revenues may be used to reimburse certain eligible development costs including, but not limited to, demolition and right of way reconstruction, sitework, utility improvements, life safety costs and public realm improvements.

7. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance? (Groups or individuals who may have concerns about it?) Please explain. No Controversy.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This ordinance approves a Letter Agreement among the Denver Urban Renewal Authority (DURA), the City and County of Denver and Urban Drainage and Flood Control District (“UDFC”) for the 2560 Welton Street Project to establish, among other matters, the parameters for tax increment financing with incremental property taxes.

The Urban Redevelopment Area is centered around Welton Street and is generally bounded by Broadway Street on the west, Glenarm Place and 24th Avenue on the south, Downing Street on the east, and on the north either by California Street or the alley between Welton and California Streets. The proposed project is located at 2560 Welton and consists of the development of a mixed use project including apartment units, retail and office space. (the “Project”).

The Denver Urban Renewal Authority, in coordination with the City’s Department of Finance and Planning Department, is seeking to establish a Property Tax Increment Area and Sales Tax Increment Area to support redevelopment through an amendment to the Welton Corridor Urban Redevelopment Plan. Staff with the City and DURA have agreed to an Urban Redevelopment Plan Amendment and Cooperation Agreement for the creation of the 2560 Welton Street Property Tax Increment Area and Sales Tax Increment Area and the use of TIF by DURA, subject to City Council Approval.

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A formal presentation, seeking Council Committee approval is requested for May 3, 2016.

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