Gateway Village GID Staff Report

Good Evening board members, I am Michael Kerrigan with the Department of Finance's Special District Team. I am before you tonight to give a staff report and request approval for the Gateway Village General Improvement District 2017 annual work plan and budget.

City Council approved the formation of the Gateway Village General Improvement District by Ordinance No. 551, Series 1994, and established City Council as the ex-officio Board of Directors of the District.

The Ordinance also created a District Advisory Board comprised of: representatives of key agencies of the City, the City Council person for the District, and the individual signatories to the Petition for organization of the District. The ordinance specified that such Advisory Board should, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, conduct and manage all affairs of the District as the authorized agent of the Board of Directors, including its financial and legal affairs. Pursuant to Resolution No. 32, Series 1995 Denver City Council authorized the District Advisory Board to create a Work Plan and Budget for approval by the Board of Directors annually.

The District is located in the northeastern section of the City northwest of the I70 and Chambers Rd. intersection. It consists of approximately 243 acres on the eastern border of Montbello, it is completely developed and primarily consists of residential property. Responsibilities include maintaining the landscaping and parks within the District.

The District Advisory Board has created the 2017 budget before you tonight. The budget proposes overall expenditures of \$315,000 and total revenues of \$484,022. The majority of the District's revenue will be generated by a 20.0 mill levy assessed on real property in the District, which is a 5.7 mill reduction from last year's budget.

The major difference between the 2016 and 2017 budget is that the District will make its final debt payment on December 1 of this year, and will no longer have any outstanding debt beginning in 2017. The District intends to create and fund a Capital Projects Fund for 2017 in order to provide a reserve analysis, hire a landscape designer, and undertake landscape improvements and tree replacements.

Per communication with the District's legal counsel, the City is not aware of any controversy regarding the 2017 District budget and work plan.

Jeffrey Erb of Seter & Vander Wall, legal counsel for the district, is also here and available to answer questions you may have.

City staff has reviewed the 2017 budget and work plan and recommends it for approval. Thank you.