



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Center City Development & Operations

DEPARTMENT HEAD: John Jacks

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Council Districts 1 & 2

SUBJECT:

Amendment to Texas Department of Transportation Agreement

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation that will allow the City to construct, maintain and operate a 175 space parking lot under IH37 near the SW corner of 9th and Austin Streets.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On June 22, 1978, City Council passed Ordinance 49494, authorizing an agreement with TXDOT that permitted the City to construct, maintain, and operate a parking lot within the IH37 right of way under the elevated highway between 9th and 10th Streets. In support of increasing development in this quadrant of downtown, the City is seeking to construct a new, 175 space parking lot on TXDOT property under IH37, near the southwest intersection of Austin and 9th Streets. The parking lot will be lighted, fenced, and available for use by the public. Payment will be available via two automated pay stations, and parking enforcement staff will monitor the location. The City will be responsible for all construction, maintenance, and operating costs associated with the approximately 2 acre property.

TXDOT will not charge the City for use of the property.

ISSUE:

Prior to beginning construction of a new parking lot under IH37, the City and TXDOT must amend their existing agreement to add the 2 acre property near the corner of Austin and 9th Streets for the proposed parking lot.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City may elect not to amend its agreement with TXDOT to allow construction of a new parking lot under IH37, and instead require commercial enterprises in the area to build private, on-site parking lots for their customers or build one or more privately owned parking lots for use by the public.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of amending the City's agreement with TXDOT.

Funds are allocated in the FY2016 Capital Improvement Budget for all construction costs related to the parking lot.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance to amend an agreement with TXDOT that will allow the City to construct, maintain, & operate a 175 space parking lot under IH37 near the southwest corner of Austin and 9th Streets.