



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

**File Number:**17-3153

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**Agenda Item Number:** 16.

**Agenda Date:** 5/24/2017

**In Control:** Planning Commission

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**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation and Capital Improvements

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Mike Frisbie, P.E.

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Council District 1

### **SUBJECT:**

A resolution supporting the acquisition of street right of way known as Avenue B, between Newell Avenue and East Josephine Street, for City of San Antonio use.

### **SUMMARY:**

A resolution supporting the acquisition and acceptance of Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) roadway known as Avenue B, between Newell Avenue and East Josephine Street for City of San Antonio's jurisdiction, control, and maintenance. This item requires City Council to initiate a motion to authorize the acceptance of this right of way.

The property is being transferred to the City of San Antonio and payment for the property is being waived under Texas Transportation Code 202.021(e), in which the City of San Antonio will assume jurisdiction, control and maintenance of the right-of-way for public road purposes. If the right of way is no longer being used for public road purposes, it will revert back to TxDOT.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Silver Ventures, in conjunction with Pape Dawson, are working with City Staff to propose improvements to Avenue B, between Newell Avenue and East Josephine Street. This public improvement project includes the reconfiguration of Avenue B from a one-way roadway to a two-way roadway. In addition, a separate bike and pedestrian path will be constructed on the West Side of Avenue B.

**ISSUE:**

A resolution authorizing the acquisition and acceptance of Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) roadway known as Avenue B, between Newell Avenue and East Josephine Street for City of San Antonio's jurisdiction, control, and maintenance. This item requires City Council to initiate a motion to authorize the acceptance of this right of way.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

City Council could choose not to approve this request and require Silver Ventures to redesign or terminate the project, increasing costs and resulting in project delay.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The passage of this ordinance will not have a financial impact on the City of San Antonio. The property is being transferred by TxDOT to the City of San Antonio and payment for the property is being waived under Texas Transportation Code 202.021(e).

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the resolution authorizing the acquisition by having the Texas Department of Transportation, transferring ownership to the City of San Antonio.