



City of San Antonio

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DEPARTMENT HEAD:

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Briefing and update on a potential Downtown Sports and Entertainment District with a focus on the funding framework, infrastructure, community benefits agreements, and community engagement.

SUMMARY:

This item is a briefing and update on a potential downtown sports and entertainment district.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

During this B-Session briefing, an update will be provided on the proposed Sports and Entertainment District with a focus on the funding framework, infrastructure, community benefits agreements, and community engagement.

In November 2024, the City of San Antonio unveiled a plan for a Sports and Entertainment District in downtown San Antonio. The proposed district would include an expansion of the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, a new convention center hotel, land bridge over I-37 to connect the eastside to downtown, improvements to the Alamodome, renovation of the John Woods Courthouse into a live entertainment venue, mixed-use development, enhanced infrastructure, and

a new NBA arena for the San Antonio Spurs. Bexar County is leading the effort to renovate/redevelop the Frost Bank Center, Joe Freeman Coliseum, and the surrounding area.

On April 3, 2025, the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, and the San Antonio Spurs signed a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) expressing their desire to work together to accomplish the goals of establishing a Downtown Sports and Entertainment District as described above, relocating the San Antonio Spurs to a downtown arena, and redeveloping the area around the Frost Bank Center.

ISSUE:

Staff will brief and provide an update to the Mayor and Council on the proposed downtown Sports and Entertainment District.

ALTERNATIVES:

Not applicable.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for briefing purposes only.