



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Neighborhood and Housing Services

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Veronica Garcia, Director

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** District 1, District 2, District 5

**SUBJECT:**

Amendment to the Chapter 380 Economic Development Grant Agreement for the Midcrown Project

**SUMMARY:**

This ordinance amends the Chapter 280 Economic Development Grant Agreement for the Midcrown Project within the Inner City Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) to reallocate \$390,017.00 in unused funds for community engagement and design costs for the project site. A portion of the funding will also be used for the removal and remediation of environmental contaminants that resulted from recent illegal dumping on and around the project site, and to fund security and/or barriers to prevent future illegal dumping on the site.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The San Antonio Housing Trust (SAHT) Public Facility Corporation (PFC) recently purchased 8.6 acres of land at Midcrown Dr. and Eisenhower Rd. utilizing a \$2.9 million-dollar TIRZ grant. SAHT was able to negotiate a lower purchase price than originally anticipated and had a remaining award balance of \$390,017.00, which must be requested to be repurposed to fund activities beneficial to the project. SAHT intends to work in partnership with the City of San Antonio to develop the property to be used for a mix of the following uses: affordable housing, senior center

or other community space and open green space. SAHT has requested the remaining grant award be used to fund public engagement activities, design work, environmental remediation made necessary by recent illegal dumping on the project site, and for security and/or barriers to prevent future dumping on the site.

**ISSUE:**

On December 2, 2024, the Inner City TIRZ approved the request for the amendment to the Chapter 380 Economic Development Grant Agreement for the Midcrown Project to reallocate unused grant funds for public engagement, design, environmental remediation, and security/barrier enhancements benefiting the project site.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

If City Council does not approve the amendment to the Chapter 380 Economic Development Grant Agreement for the Midcrown Project, the Midcrown Project would have to find funding from other sources, which may cause the project to be canceled or delayed.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

An ordinance authorizing an amendment to a Chapter 380 Economic Development Grant Agreement with the San Antonio Housing Trust to reallocate unused project funds in the amount of \$390,017.00 to fund public engagement activities, design work, environmental remediation made necessary by recent illegal dumping on the project site, and for security and/or barriers to prevent future dumping on the site.

At project completion, any remaining funds will be returned to the Inner City TIRZ. There is no fiscal impact to the City's General Fund.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.