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In Control: Planning and Community Development Committee

DEPARTMENT: Planning Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Bridgett White

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: District 3|District 2

SUBJECT:

Briefing on the Southeast Community Area Plan

SUMMARY:

The Planning Department will provide a briefing on the Southeast Community Area Plan, the ninth SA Tomorrow Sub-Area Plan slated for adoption. The Sub-Area Plans implement the SA Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The SA Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan is one of three growth-related plans addressing how the City of San Antonio's expected population growth will be balanced with social, economic, and environmental resources. The Comprehensive Plan provides strategic direction for decision making and public investment to prepare our communities for anticipated growth at the citywide level. The major "building blocks" of the Comprehensive Plan include:

- Regional Centers

- Urban Centers
- Corridors
- Neighborhoods

The SA Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan identifies thirteen (13) Regional Centers; seventeen (17) Community Areas encompass the rest of San Antonio. Community Areas comprise many of the existing neighborhoods, grouped by geography and common history, challenges, and opportunities. By proactively directing a higher proportion of growth to our Regional Centers, we aim to limit the impacts of that growth on existing, stable neighborhoods.

The Southeast Community Area Plan works to create a realistic and implementable strategy to address projected growth and leverage change for all our existing and future residents by creating complete neighborhoods and communities that provide a full range of amenities and services, a variety of housing and transportation choices, and opportunities for employment, shopping, education, and recreation. The Southeast Community Area is situated between the Downtown Area and Brooks Area Regional Centers, extending to the southeastern-most city limits. The area includes historic neighborhoods and rural homesteads, a variety of unique small businesses and local restaurants, popular destination parks and trailways, offering many assets and characteristics that make it a desirable place to live, work, and play.

As success of the Sub-Area Plan depends on broad participation from area stakeholders, Planning Department staff worked with a wide range of community members throughout the planning process. These included neighborhood associations and coalitions, business and property owners, residents, employers, educational and cultural institutions, public and nonprofit organizations, and other City departments.

ISSUE:

A Public Draft of the Plan was released to the public for comment on February 2, 2022 and public input was gathered through May 5, 2022. Comments received were considered for incorporation in the Administrative Draft for the adoption process, which is currently available online: <https://southeast.sacompplan.com/>.

The Planning Commission received a briefing on October 26, 2022 and will hold a public hearing on November 16, 2022. The item is tentatively scheduled to be considered by City Council on December 15, 2022. The Administrative Draft is attached to this agenda item.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this briefing.

ALTERNATIVES:

This briefing is for informational purposes only.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Planning and Community Development Committee forward the Southeast Community Area Plan to the City Council for formal adoption.