# CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PLANNING DEPARTMENT CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM



TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

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**SUBJECT:** 

First Public Hearing on the proposed full purpose annexation of the Southside

Initiative Expansion Area

**DATE:** 

June 2, 2005

#### **SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

This is the first public hearing concerning the proposed full purpose annexation of Southside Expansion Area. The second public hearing is scheduled for June 9, 2005. The purpose of the public hearing is to inform and allow citizens the opportunity to comment on the services to be provided upon full purpose annexation.

No action is required of City Council at this public hearing.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The City Council at its meeting on July 22, 2004 amended its Three-Year Annexation plan to include the 6.41 square mile Southside Initiative Expansion Area. The plan was amended to cope with the anticipated increase in economic development and population growth along with the development and redevelopment activities in the area.

Under Chapter 43 of the Local Government Code, the services provided upon full purpose annexation are presented at the public hearings. Following the presentation, they are subject to mandated negotiations. Under the current timelines, the negotiations must be completed by January 31, 2006. The objective of the negotiated service plan is to ensure the areas proposed for annexation receive a level of service that is comparable to the level of service available in other parts of the municipality. Once the negotiation periods are complete, fiscal impacts of service delivery will be determined and presented to the City Council.

The schedule for the annexations of these areas is as follows:

First Public Hearing 6:00 p.m. June 2, 2005
Second Public Hearing 6:00 p.m. June 9, 2005
First Reading of Ordinances June 14, 2007
Second Reading of Ordinances July 22, 2007
Effective Annexation Date July 31, 2007

## **POLICY ANALYSIS**

The City's goals for annexation are to preserve its range of annexation options, promote orderly growth, provide municipal services, enhance the City's fiscal position, preserve the integrity of the City and its extraterritorial jurisdiction, and to maintain a systematic annexation process.

Previous annexations have contributed significantly to the City's growth and economic base. New areas continue to grow with supporting businesses and expanding employment opportunities. The opportunity to plan land uses in those annexed areas is also greatly improved with the provisions of the City's Unified Development Code.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The fiscal impact of annexation will be determined upon completion of the negotiated service plans. At a minimum the combined negotiated service plans should be revenue neutral and be able to provide the services required in the areas to be annexed.

#### **COORDINATION**

This item was coordinated with the City Attorney's Office, and was submitted to the following departments and agencies for their review and comments: Office of Management & Budget, Police, Fire, Public Works, Code Compliance, Metropolitan Health District, Library, Parks and Recreation, Development Services, Economic Development, External Relations, Finance, City Clerk's Office, SAWS and CPS.

# **SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS**

There is no action required of City Council at the public hearings. Action will be required at the first and second readings of the annexation ordinances in June and July of 2007.

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