# CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

AGENDA DATE: December 14, 2021

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: January 4, 2022

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Mirella Craigo, 915.212.1617

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: 8** 

STRATEGIC GOAL 1: Cultivate an environment conductive to strong, sustainable economic development.

SUBGOAL 1.7: Identify and develop plans for areas of reinvestment and local partnership

#### SUBJECT:

An ordinance approving amendment number twenty-one to the project plan and reinvestment zone financing plan for tax increment reinvestment zone (TIRZ) number five, City of El Paso, Texas, to provide funding to the 309 MILLS, LLC improvement project of the property located at 309 Mills Avenue, 79901; subject to the execution of a separate agreement by and between the City of El Paso and the project developer(s); adopting said amendments as required by section 311.011(E) Texas Tax Code.

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

On June 15, 2021, the Board recommended approval of the Zone's participation in the redevelopment of the property at 309 Mills Ave. (GID: M47399901004900) subject to the terms of a separate redevelopment agreement between the City of EI Paso and the project developer(s). 309 Mills, LLC applied and subject to Council approval has qualified for a 10-year Infill redevelopment incentive grant. The project will increase the tax value of the property and greatly enhance the aesthetic value of the area. The applicant is proposing to invest a minimum of \$1,200,000.00 to renovate a blighted hotel. The redevelopment will include converting the upper floors to a standard hotel and rehabilitating the store front at the first floor.

#### PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Council will consider approval of the Chapter 380 Economic Development Program Agreement on December 14, 2021.

#### AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Incremental property tax revenue collected within the boundaries of Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 5 will be used to fund the project being added to the Zone's Project and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plans through this twenty-first amendment.

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? \_X\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

**PRIMARY DEPARTMENT:** Economic Development

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: N/A

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#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

Elizabeth Triggs, Interim Director of Economic & International Development Department

(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

ORDINANCE I	NO.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AMENDMENT NUMBER TWENTY-ONE TO THE PROJECT PLAN AND REINVESTMENT ZONE FINANCING PLAN FOR TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIVE, CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS, TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE 309 MILLS, LLC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 309 MILLS AVENUE, 79901, SUBJECT TO THE EXECUTION OF A SEPARATE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF EL PASO AND THE PROJECT DEVELOPER(S); ADOPTING SAID AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 311.011(E) TEXAS TAX CODE.

WHEREAS, by the City of El Paso Ordinance No. 016528, adopted December 19, 2006, the City Council created Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Five, City of El Paso, Texas (the "Zone"), establishing the boundaries of the Zone as described therein, pursuant to the provisions of the Tax Increment Financing Act, Chapter 311, Texas Tax Code (as amended, the "Act"); and later amended by Ordinances No. 016803 and 016804 on December 18, 2007, by Ordinance No. 017821 on July 17, 2012, and by Ordinance No. 018049 on July 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, by City of El Paso Ordinance No. 017081, adopted March 10, 2009, the City Council approved and adopted the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for the Zone, pursuant to Section 311.011(d) of the Act after their adoption by the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Zone; later amended on: April 7, 2009 by Ordinance No. 017102; November 17, 2009 by Ordinance No. 017239; December 22, 2009 by Ordinance No. 017258; November 8, 2011 by Ordinance No. 017674; May 15, 2012 by Ordinance No. 017788; July 17, 2012 by Ordinance No. 017821; August 28, 2012 by Ordinance No. 017861; July 30, 2013 by Ordinance No. 018049; March 4, 2014 by Ordinance No. 018132; January 6, 2015 by Ordinance No. 018302; September 6, 2016 by Ordinance No. 018566; October 4, 2016 by Ordinance No. 018578; March 21, 2017 by Ordinance No. 018645; June 13, 2017 by Ordinance No. 018689; February 20, 2018 by Ordinance No. 018756; July 9, 2019 by Ordinance No. 018940; February 4, 2020 by Ordinance No. 019021; October 27, 2020 by Ordinance No. 019110; and on March 16, 2021 by this Ordinance No. 019152; and on August 3, 2021 by this Ordinance No. 019211; and on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022 by this Ordinance No. ; and

WHEREAS, the Board supports the City in development activities for the Zone and actively participates in planning and identifying potential projects within the Zone that are consistent with and implement the Zone's Project Plan; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2021, the Board recommended approval of the Zone's participation in the redevelopment of the property at 309 Mills Ave; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 311.011(e) of the Act, the Board may adopt amendments to the plans consistent with the requirements and limitations of the Act, which become effective when approved by the governing body of the municipality by a duly authorized ordinance; and

**WHEREAS,** the City desires to amend the Zone's Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan as approved by the Board, in support of community revitalization and economic development within the Zone; and

WHEREAS, it is found that inclusion of the afore mentioned amendment and projects contained therein are economically feasible; and

WHEREAS, it is further found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public and public notice of the time, place and subject of said meeting was given all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council, as the governing body of the City, approves the amendment to the Zone's Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan, as evidenced by this Ordinance;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO THAT:

**SECTION 1.** Except as amended herein and by properly adopted prior amendments, Ordinance 016528 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 2. The Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Five, City of El Paso, Texas are hereby amended to support and allocate Zone funding through new property tax increment abatements and/or reimbursements for the 309 Mills Ave, LLC Redevelopment Project located at 309 Mills Avenue (GID: M47399901004900) subject to the terms of a redevelopment agreement approved by City Council between the City of El Paso and the respective Project developer(s)

**SECTION 3.** The amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Five, City of El Paso, Texas is hereby determined to be feasible and in conformity with the City's comprehensive plan and said amendments are hereby approved.

**SECTION 4.** The statements set forth in the recitals of this Ordinance are declared to be true and correct and are incorporated as part of this Ordinance.

<u>SECTION 5</u>. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any circumstances shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of this Ordinance shall nevertheless be valid.

ADOPTED this 4th day of January, 2022

	CITY OF EL PASO:
	Oscar Leeser Mayor
ATTEST:	
Laura D. Prine City Clerk	_
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
Frances M. Maldonado Engelbaum	Cligabeth Triggs Elizabeth Triggs, Interim Director
Assistant City Attorney	Economic & International Development

# REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIVE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS

#### TWENTY-FIRST AMENDMENT:

Final Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan

## Submitted by:

# Economic & International Development Department (915) 212-0094

#### Amended:

April 7, 2009 (Ordinance No. 017102) November 18, 2009 (Ordinance No. 017239) December 22, 2009 (Ordinance No. 017258) November 8, 2011 (Ordinance No. 017674) May 15, 2012 (Ordinance No. 017788) July 17, 2012 (Ordinance No. 017821) August 28, 2012 (Ordinance No. 017861) July 30, 2013 (Ordinance No. 018049) March 4, 2014 (Ordinance No. 018132) January 6, 2015 (Ordinance No. 018302) September 6, 2016 (Ordinance No. 018566) October 4, 2016 (Ordinance No. 018578) March 21, 2017 (Ordinance No. 018645) June 13, 2017 (Ordinance No. 018689) February 20, 2018 (Ordinance No.018756) July 9, 2019 (Ordinance No.018940) February 4, 2020 (Ordinance No. 019021) October 27, 2020 (Ordinance No. 019110) March 16, 2021 (Ordinance No.019152) August 3, 2021 (Ordinance No. 019211) \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (Ordinance No.\_\_\_\_)

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This is the Twenty-First Amendment to the Project and Financing Plan for Reinvestment Zone No. 5 and is supplemental to the existing Project and Financing Plan.

#### **OVERVIEW**

This Final Project Plan and Final Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIVE, CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS (the "Zone") was recommended for adoption by the Board on February 12, 2009 and is based on the Preliminary Project and Financing Plan adopted by City Council when the Zone was created in December 2006 through approval of Ordinance No. 016528. The Zone was expanded with the recommendation of the TIRZ Board by City Council on December 18, 2007 with Ordinance No. 016803 and Ordinance No. 016804.

#### First Amendment:

By Ordinance No. 017102, dated November 17, 2009, and by TIRZ Board recommendation, the City approved the first Plan amendment, which allocated \$32,000 to the Façade Program. The purpose of the Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program is to provide grant funding to existing business property owners or lessees to encourage renovation and rehabilitation of the exterior of buildings in the Zone. This program aims to improve the aesthetics within the Zone as attractive building façades positively impact the marketability and perception of the area. The Program consists of a one-dollar to one-dollar match for approved improvements. Reimbursement grants will be awarded for façade improvements that restore, preserve, rehabilitate, enhance or beautify a structure. Eligible improvements include:

- Signs (new, repairs, replacement, removal)
- Grate and grate box removal or conversion of solid grates to an open mesh style
- Awnings
- Lighting
- Paint
- Removal/replacement of inappropriate or incompatible exterior finishes or materials
- Recessing/reconfiguring entrances
- Removal of extraneous elements
- Door/window replacement or repair
- Exterior cleaning
- Historical architectural elements

#### Second Amendment:

The City approved by Ordinance No. 017239, dated November 17, 2009, the allocation of \$28,000 to Project No. 2: First Avenue Lofts (Mixed Use Residential). Located at 300

S. Florence El Paso, Texas, the First Avenue Lofts Project consists of the adaptive reuse of an old warehouse building into a mixed-use development project with retail at the ground floor and eight dwelling units described as upscale lofts in the upper floors. The project developer is The El Paso Project, LLC. The conversion of the warehouse will

necessitate public improvements in the sidewalk area; there are currently no sidewalks along one side of the building. The improvements include installation of the sidewalk, street lighting and related amenities in the public right of way. The age and the change of use of the building require retrofitting of the public utility connections.

Public improvement costs that will be eligible for reimbursement through the use of tax increment finance funds of the Zone are: installation, extension and/or renovation of sidewalks and abutting improvements to the adjacent street, and the construction of other public improvements including streetscape improvements and amenities such as street lighting. The additional tax increment finance funds for the project in the amount of \$22,000 are allocated to fund public utility connection costs associated with installation of water, sewer and fire lines to the building.

#### Third Amendment:

By Ordinance No. 017258, dated December 22, 2009, the City approved the amendment of the Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program by increasing the allocation \$25,000

This Third Amendment, by recommendation of the TIRZ Board and City Council approved, increased the allocation of Project No. 2: First Avenue Lofts (Mixed Use Residential) by \$22,000. The additional tax increment finance funds are allocated to fund public utility costs associated with installation of water, sewer and fire lines to the building.

#### **Fourth Amendment:**

This Fourth Amendment allocated \$17,780 to Project No. 3: 910 Texas Ave. (Mixed Use Residential). Located at 910 Texas Ave, El Paso, Texas, the project consists of the rehabilitation and construction of a building into a mixed-used development with 1,684 square feet of office space at the ground floor and five dwelling units on the upper floor(s). The project developer is Donald Luciano. The construction of the building will necessitate public improvements in the area. The improvements include installation of street lighting, sewer taps and drain lines.

Public improvements costs that will be eligible for reimbursement through the use of tax increment finance funds of the Zone are: construction and installation of public improvements associated with the public utility connection costs associated with the installation of sewer taps and drain lines amenities such street lighting. The tax increment funds for the project in the amount of \$17,780 are allocated to fund these public improvements.

The City approved, by TIRZ Board recommendation, allocation of \$12,960 for TIRZ administration costs each fiscal year.

#### Fifth Amendment:

The City Council approved, by Ordinance No. 017788, dated May 15, 2012, additional funding in the amount of \$100,000 for additional eligible project costs for Project No. 1: Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program.

The Fifth Amendment also approved funding in the amount of \$100,000 for Project No. 4: Civic Space at Cavalryman Pocket Park. Located at Henderson's Triangle (near intersection of Santa Fe and Missouri Streets) El Paso, Texas, the Project consists of open space improvements by adding a solar-powered pavilion, landscaping, and expansion of the pocket park. The public infrastructure improvements include new curb, ADA compliant stamped colored concrete sidewalk, ADA ramps, landscaping, irrigation and lighting. The property is owned by the City of El Paso.

Public improvement costs that will be eligible for reimbursement through the use of tax increment finance funds of the zone are: new curb, ADA compliant stamped colored concrete, ADA ramps, landscaping, irrigation and lighting. The tax increment funds for the project in the amount of \$100,000 are allocated to fund these public improvements, to be allocated by the City Manager or designee to the appropriate city departments or accounts for project implementation.

#### Sixth Amendment:

This Sixth Amendment, approved by City Council by Ordinance No. 017821, dated July 17th, 2012, provides for the annexation of Addition B in the Union Plaza District, bounded by Paisano Street, Leon Street, Durango Street, San Francisco Street and more particularly shown on Exhibits A & B (Addition B). Addition B Area has several of the same characteristics as property in the existing TIRZ No. 5 as detailed on pages 1-10 of the original plan. The present and existing uses of Addition B Area are detailed in Exhibit C.

The Addition B in Union Plaza has an estimated total net taxable value of \$12,150,991. The proposed public infrastructure improvements for the addition include the installation, extension and/or renovation of streets, drainage, utilities and sidewalks, and the construction of other public improvements including streetscape improvements and amenities related to developments that include housing, in particular affordable housing as a priority. The City will contribute 100% of its tax increment revenue; no other taxing authorities are participating.

Addition B in Union Plaza has a total of 9.45 acres and falls inside the Historic Incentive District. The new total acreage for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 5 is 298 acres. Addition B is composed by office space, entertainment, restaurants and mixed- use housing with some affordable units. A mix of uses is expected anchored by office buildings with a variety of retail uses on the ground floor, enhanced public open spaces, streetscape improvements, and visitor-oriented development. Between 100 and 200 residential units, 40,000 square feet of office space and 20,000 square feet of retail

space are anticipated in this district. The catalyst project for this redevelopment is mixed-use development incorporating office & retail space.

Improvements in the district will take into account historic and culturally significant areas and structures and sensitive sites will be preserved. Redevelopment in this district is designated to both complement and stimulate improvements in the other five districts as described in the Downtown 2015 Plan.

# Financial Plan / Economic Feasibility Study:

A conservative estimate of the value over the next five to ten years is placed at \$17,500,000. Refer to Exhibit D for more detailed information. The projected tax increment generated on this conservative estimate of value in the Addition B Area is sufficient to support other projects inside the zone.

Other Project Plan Provisions:

<u>Reinvestment Zone Duration:</u> When initially created by the City in December 2006, the term of the TIRZ No. 5 was established at 30 years. No change is proposed to the existing zone duration.

<u>City Participation in the Addition B Area:</u> The City will participate with 100% of its ad valorem tax increment revenue for the full life of the annexation and none of its sales tax revenue. No other taxing jurisdiction is anticipated to participate. Project costs will be paid from tax increment revenue as available or by the issuance of bonds, if the City so elects and amends this amendment.

<u>Estimated Bond Indebtedness:</u> The City reserves the right from time to time during the duration of the Zone to issue tax-exempt bonds ("Bonds") payable from tax increment revenue. The future issuance of Bonds is at the City's sole and absolute discretion and would be preceded by an amendment and approved by City Council.

<u>Relocating Persons:</u> No displacement or relocation of residents is anticipated based on the implementation of this Sixth Amendment.

<u>Municipal Ordinances:</u> No changes to City codes or ordinances are proposed in this Sixth Amendment to the Plan.

<u>Sources of Revenue / Taxing Jurisdiction Participation:</u> No changes to the sources of revenue or taxing jurisdiction participation described in the Plan are made by this Sixth Amendment.

<u>Timing of Project Costs and Monetary Obligations:</u> The City and Addition B Area will incur monetary obligations as the stream of tax revenue allow. Developers will be reimbursed only after completion, inspection and acceptance by the City of eligible public improvements or as detailed in agreements between the City and Developer(s). Administrative costs and costs related to the creation and organization of the Zone maybe paid from tax increment revenue or bond proceeds, if issued. Administrative costs

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advanced by a developer are eligible for reimbursement from tax increment proceeds or bond proceeds.

<u>Methods of Financing:</u> No changes to the methods of financing described in the Plan are made by this Sixth Amendment.

<u>Current Total Appraised Value:</u> The base year value for the Addition B Area is the certified appraised value as of January 1, 2012. A current estimate of the base year value is shown on the chart in Exhibit E.

<u>Estimated Captured Appraised Value:</u> An estimate of the captured appraised value of the Addition B Area during each year of the TIRZ No. 5 existence is shown on the chart in Exhibit E.

#### **Seventh Amendment:**

This Seventh Amendment, approved by City Council, by Ordinance No. 017861, dated August 28, 2012, amends the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan by adding Project No. 5: Improving Downtown through Strategic Investment (2012-2022) in the maximum amount of \$5,000,000.

TIRZ No. 5 funds will be allocated to initiate and to reimburse the City's general revenue fund for the identified strategic investment public infrastructure projects in the Exhibit A below ("strategic investment projects") in accordance with the following terms, conditions, and restrictions:

- 1. An initial expenditure of \$1,000,000 will be allocated from the TIRZ No. 5 fund in Fiscal Year 2012 to initiate the strategic investment projects, in a manner determined by the City Manager or designee to the appropriate city departments or accounts for project implementation.
- 2. Subsequent to the initial expenditure and continuing on an annual basis for ten (10) consecutive years, TIRZ No. 5 funds in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 per fiscal year will be transferred to the City general revenue fund as reimbursement for actual project costs incurred in constructing the strategic investment projects; provided, however in no event the aggregate of reimbursement payments exceed seventy percent (70%) of the TIRZ No. 5 balance on hand, in which case the outstanding reimbursement obligation will carry over to the next fiscal year. Reimbursement for strategic investment projects will take priority over any other subsequent fund allocation.
- 3. The maximum allocation for each strategic investment project is indicated in Table 1; however, the City staff will make a concerted effort to generate per project cost savings, with such funds to be retained in the TIRZ No. 5 fund balance for future TIRZ projects.
  - Board for informational purposes.

## **Eighth Amendment:**

The City Council approved, by Ordinance No. 018049, dated July 30th, 2013, additional funding in the amount of \$100,000 for additional eligible project costs for Project No. 1: Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. Subsequently, City Council approved allocation of \$2,160 for FY 2013, and \$12,960 for FY 2014 towards TIRZ No. 5 administrative costs for the TIRZ use of City personnel services.

This Eighth Amendment, approved by City Council, Ordinance No. 018049, dated July 30th, 2013, provides for the annexation of Addition C South El Paso Street, bounded by Paisano Street, Santa Fe Street, "Alley D" Sixth Street, and more particularly shown on Exhibits A & B (Addition C). Addition C Area has several of the same characteristics of properties in the existing TIRZ No. 5 as detailed on pages 1-10 of the original plan. The present and existing uses of Addition C Area are detailed in Exhibit C.

Addition C, South El Paso Street has an estimated total net taxable value of \$32,606,657. The proposed public infrastructure improvements for the addition include the installation, extension and/or renovation of streets, drainage, utilities and sidewalks, and the construction of other public improvements including streetscape improvements and amenities related to the existing developments. The City will contribute 100% of its tax increment revenue; no other taxing authorities are participating.

Addition C, South El Paso Street is a total of 8.4 acres and falls inside the Historic Incentive District. The new total acreage for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 5 is 306.4 acres. Addition C is composed of mostly retail commercial properties. A mix of uses is expected with a variety of retail uses on the ground floor, enhanced public open spaces, streetscape improvements, and visitor-oriented development.

Improvements in the district will take into account historic and culturally significant areas and structures and sensitive sites will be preserved. Redevelopment in this district is designated to both complement and stimulate improvements in the other five districts as described in the Downtown 2015 Plan.

#### Financial Plan / Economic Feasibility Study:

A 3% and 5% increase projection is used for a 10 year period to estimate the projected City tax increment generated in the Addition C area. A conservative estimate of the total City tax increment is estimated to be between \$388,000-\$688,000 over the next ten years. Refer to Exhibit D for more detailed information.

Reinvestment Zone Duration: When initially created by the City in December 2006, the term of the TIRZ No. 5 was established at 30 years. No change is proposed to the existing zone duration valorem tax increment revenue for the full life of the annexation and none of its sales tax revenue. No other taxing jurisdiction is anticipated to participate. Project costs will be paid from tax increment revenue as available or by the issuance of bonds, if the City so elects and amends this Project and Financing plan

Estimated Bond Indebtedness: The City reserves the right from time to time during the

duration of the Zone to issue tax-exempt bonds ("Bonds") payable from tax increment revenue. The future issuance of Bonds is at the City's sole and absolute discretion and would be preceded by an amendment and approved by City Council.

<u>Relocating Persons:</u> No displacement or relocation of residents is anticipated based on the implementation of this Eighth Amendment.

<u>Municipal Ordinances:</u> No changes to City codes or ordinances are proposed in this Eighth Amendment to the Plan.

<u>Sources of Revenue / Taxing Jurisdiction Participation:</u> No changes to the sources of revenue or taxing jurisdiction participation described in the Plan are made by this Eighth Amendment.

<u>Timing of Project Costs and Monetary Obligations:</u> The City and Addition C Area will incur monetary obligations as stream of tax revenue allow. Developers will be reimbursed only after completion, inspection and acceptance by the City of eligible public improvements or as detailed in agreements between the City and Developer(s). Administrative costs and costs related to the creation and organization of the Zone may be paid from tax increment revenue or bond proceeds, if issued. Administrative costs advanced by a developer are eligible for reimbursement from tax increment proceeds or bond proceeds.

<u>Methods of Financing:</u> No changes to the methods of financing described in the Plan are made by this Seventh Amendment.

<u>Current Total Appraised Value:</u> The base year value for the Addition C Area is the certified appraised value as of January 1, 2013. A current estimate of the base year value is shown on the chart in Exhibit D.

<u>Estimated Captured Appraised Value:</u> An estimate of the captured appraised value of the Addition C Area during each year of the TIRZ No. 5 existence is shown on the chart in Exhibit D.

#### **Ninth Amendment:**

The Ninth Amendment, by Ordinance No. 018132, dated March 04, 2014, and by recommendation of the TIRZ Board, City Council approved additional funding in the amount of \$100,000 for additional eligible project costs for Project No. 1: Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. In partnership with the Downtown Management District (DMD), the City approved the administration and funding of a joint Downtown Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. The DMD will manage the program where TIRZ properties could receive up to \$25,000 per façade, in matching funds.

The Final Project Plan is amended to incorporate the following additional costs and projects on the list of approved proposed projects eligible for tax increment finance funds of the Zone, which will be allocated to as described herein:

# Project No. 1: Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program.

- Original Amount: \$32,000
- First Amended Amount 11-17-2009: \$57,000
- Second Amended Amount 12-22-2009: 82,000 (increased by \$25,000)
- Third Amended Amount 11-8-2011: \$123,000 (increased by \$41,000)
- Fourth Amended Amount. 05-15-2012: \$223,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Fifth Amended Amount: 08-30-13: \$323,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Sixth Amended Amount: \$423,000 (increased by \$100,000)

#### **Tenth Amendment:**

The Tenth Amendment, by Ordinance No. 018302, dated January 6th, 2015, and by recommendation of the TIRZ Board, City Council approved additional funding in the amount of \$100,000 for additional eligible project costs for Project No. 1: Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. In partnership with the Downtown Management District (DMD), the City approved the administration and funding of a joint Downtown Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. The DMD will manage the program where TIRZ properties could receive up to \$25,000 per façade, in matching funds.

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- Sixth Amended Amount 03-04-14: \$423,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Seventh Amended Amount \$523,000 (increased by \$100,000)

#### **Eleventh Amendment:**

The Eleventh Amendment, by Ordinance No. 018566, dated September 6, 2016, and by recommendation of the TIRZ Board, City Council approved exempting the Camino Real Redevelopment (associated with PID: M47399901600100) and Marriot Courtyard Hotel Construction projects (associated with PID: S16799900504500) from the tax increment contribution to the TIRZ5 tax increment fund.

In support of these projects; the TIRZ board further recommended, and City Council approved, to support and allow all conveyances of property associated with the Camino Real Redevelopment Project (associated with PID: M47399901600100) and the Marriot Courtyard Hotel Construction Project (associated with PID: S16799900504500), designating the City Manager to act as signatory on the behalf of the TIRZ5 board.

#### **Twelfth Amendment:**

The Twelfth Amendment, by Ordinance No. 018578, dated October 4, 2016, and by recommendation of the TIRZ Board, City Council approved additional funding in the amount of \$100,000 for additional eligible project costs for Project No. 1: Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. In partnership with the Downtown Management District (DMD), the City approved the administration and funding of a joint Downtown Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. The DMD will manage the program where TIRZ properties could receive up to \$25,000 per façade, in matching funds.

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- Sixth Amended Amount 03-04-14: \$423,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Seventh Amended Amount \$523,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Eighth Amended Amount \$623,000 (increased by \$100,000)

#### **Thirteenth Amendment:**

The Thirteenth Amendment, by Ordinance No. <u>018645</u>, dated March 21, 2017, and by recommendation of the TIRZ 5 Board, City Council terminated funding to Project No. 5: Improving Downtown through Strategic Investments (2012-2022): Tree String Lights, Wayfinding, and Streetscape / Tree Canopy. Project No. 5 was originally approved in

the Seventh Amendment to the Final project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan, adopted via Ordinance 017861, dated August 28, 2012.

Additionally, this Thirteenth Amendment, by recommendation of the TIRZ 5 Board, City Council allocating \$263,000 in TIRZ 5 funding to the Father Rahm Street Improvement Project.

#### **Fourteenth Amendment:**

The Fourteenth Amendment, by Ordinance No. <u>018689</u>, dated June 13, 2017, and by recommendation of the TIRZ Board, City Council approved additional funding in the amount of \$39,000 for eligible project costs for Project No. 1: Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. In partnership with the Downtown Management District (DMD), the City approved the administration and funding of a joint Downtown Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. The DMD will manage the program where TIRZ properties could receive up to \$25,000 per façade, in matching funds. These programs will also include "Signature Rooftop Signage" projects and "Target Area 2" projects; both of which will be eligible to receive funds according to the Interlocal Agreement, revised on May 16, 2017.

The TIRZ Board recommends and City Council has approved yearly allocations in the amount of \$75,000 beginning calendar year 2018 and continuing until TIRZ 5 Board recommends and City Council approves to cease the yearly allocations. The yearly allocations beginning in 2018 are subject to an available fund balance ceiling for the Commercial Façade Improvement Program of \$100,000. This ceiling cannot be exceeded in available fund for the matching grant held by the DMD. These funds will be used to service all projects which comprise the Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program, pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of El Paso and DMD. Upon the termination of the Interlocal Agreement; the fund balance of the Commercial Façade Improvement Program will be returned to the TIRZ 5 Tax Increment Fund.

The Final Project Plan is amended to incorporate the following additional costs and projects on the list of approved proposed projects eligible for tax increment finance funds of the Zone, which will be allocated to as described herein:

# Project No. 1: Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program.

- Original Amount: \$32,000
- First Amended Amount 11-17-2009: \$57,000
- Second Amended Amount 12-22-2009: 82,000 (increased by \$25,000)
- Third Amended Amount 11-8-2011: \$123,000 (increased by \$41,000)
- Fourth Amended Amount. 05-15-2012: \$223,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Fifth Amended Amount 08-30-13: \$323,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Sixth Amended Amount 03-04-14: \$423,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Seventh Amended Amount \$523,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Eighth Amended Amount \$623,000 (increased by \$100,000)

- Twelfth Amended Amount \$723,000 (increased by \$100,000)
- Fourteenth Amended Amount \$762,000 (increased by \$39,000)

#### Fifteenth Amendment:

The Fifteenth Amendment, by Ordinance No. 018756 dated February 20, 2018, and by unanimous recommendation of the TIRZ Board. The Council approved funding in the amount of \$4,000,000 for eligible project costs for the Sun City Lights Paseo de las Luces project.

The Sun City Lights Paseo de las Luces project will extend along South El Paso Street from 6th Street north to San Antonio Street. It will consist of the installation of archways, new street furniture, full sidewalk replacements, the conversion of the street into a two-way traffic roadway, new traffic signals, new trees, the painting of existing light posts, upgraded irrigation, streetlights, new street furniture, tree-string lights, wayfinding signage, and 3 parklets. The project is scheduled to commence on January 29<sup>th</sup> 2018 and to be completed on October 31, 2018. The funds will be distributed as follows:

#### Collections Breakdown

Principal and Interest: \$3.7MCapital Replacement: \$0.3M

## Collections Schedule

Payment will be made in annual increments of \$210,526 beginning in 2018 and ending in 2036 for a total of 19 payments.

#### **Sixteenth Amendment:**

The Sixteenth Amendment by Ordinance No. 018940, dated July 9, 2019, and by unanimous recommendation of the TIRZ 5 Board, City Council approved the following:

- A. Funding in the amount of TWO MILLION SIX HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$2,695,000.00) for the addition of the Pioneer Plaza and Promenades Project, a public infrastructure streetscape and park improvement project located on W. Mills Ave. between N. Mesa St. and S. El Paso St., including Pioneer Plaza Park. The project will be a continuation of Paseo de las Luces, connecting San Jacinto Plaza to the International Bridge; create dedicated pedestrian paths to connect major downtown amenities; and renew Pioneer Plaza Park. Payment will be made in annual increments of TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$269,500.00) beginning in FY20 and ending in FY29 for a total of ten (10) payments.
- B. Support and allocation of Zone funding through new property tax increment abatements and/or reimbursements for the following development projects subject

to the terms of an agreement approved by City Council between the City of El Paso and the respective project developer(s):

- 1. The redevelopment of the O.T. Bassett Tower located at 303 Texas Avenue as a new hotel (GID M47399901101700);
- 2. The redevelopment of the property at 108 South Stanton Street (GID: M47399903808900);
- 3. The redevelopment of the Plaza Hotel located at 106 Mills Avenue (GID: M47399900608100, M47399900601700, M47399901406100, and M47399901405100, M47399901404100);
- 4. The development of a new office building known as the West Star Tower located at (GID: H13299901700100); and
- 5. The redevelopment of the property located at 213 South El Paso Street (GID: M47399901501700).

#### Seventeenth Amendment:

The Seventeenth Amendment, by Ordinance No. 019021, dated February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and with recommendation by the TIRZ Board, City Council approved additional funding in the amount of \$25,000 per year for eligible project costs for the DMD's Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. The additional \$25,000 per year increases the funding for eligible costs from \$75,000 per year to \$100,000 per year. City Council approved yearly allocations in the amount of \$100,000 to begin calendar year 2020.

By the Seventeenth Amendment, City Council also approved the allocation of Zone funding through new property tax increment abatements and/or reimbursements for the redevelopment of the property at 300 E. Main Street (GID: M47399901008100) subject to the terms of a development agreement approved by City Council between the City of El Paso and the respective project developer.

#### **Eighteenth Amendment:**

The Eighteenth Amendment, by Ordinance No. 019110, dated October 27, 2020 and with recommendation by the TIRZ Board meeting, City Council approved the following:

A. To allocate up to five percent of annual Zone revenue to administrative costs

associated with management of the Zone;

- B. To allocate up to \$15,000.00 to update Downtown area wayfinding kiosk maps; and
- C. To allocate \$400,000.00 to the first phase of the downtown alleyway reactivation and street tree implementation project, including: 1) \$250,000.00 for Henry Trost improvements to promote connectivity and pedestrian activity along Henry Trost, between S. El Paso St. and S. Santa Fe St.; and 2) \$150,000.00 for street tree implementation to address street tree gaps and provide for a shaded circulation network in the downtown area.

#### **Nineteenth Amendment:**

The Nineteenth Amendment, by Ordinance No. 019152 dated March 16, 2021, and by unanimous recommendation of the TIRZ Board, City Council approved funding in the amount of up to \$150,000.00 to a downtown plan effort to support the development of a capital needs assessment.

#### **Twentieth Amendment:**

The Twentieth Amendment, by Ordinance No. 019211 dated August 3, 2021, and by recommendation of the TIRZ Board, City Council approved funding in the amount of \$100,000 for additional eligible project costs for Project No. 1: Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. In partnership with the Downtown Management District (DMD), the City approved the administration and funding of a joint Downtown Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. The DMD will manage the program where TIRZ properties could receive up to \$25,000 per façade, in matching funds.

#### **Twenty-First Amendment:**

The Twenty-First Amendment, by Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_, 2022, and by recommendation of the TIRZ Board, City Council approved the allocation of Zone funding through new property tax increment abatements and/or reimbursements for the redevelopment of the property at 309 Mills Ave. (GID: M47399901004900) subject to the terms of a separate redevelopment agreement between the City of El Paso and the project developer(s).