

Legislation Text

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ORDINANCE NO. 211073

Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Cooperative Agreement with the Health Sciences Community Improvement District with respect to certain housing improvements, infrastructure improvements, and economic development planning and the redevelopment of underutilized real property located within the Health Sciences Community Improvement District.

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to cooperate with the Health Sciences Community Improvement District ("Health Sciences CID") and partner on funding for infrastructure improvements, including pedestrian accessibility, pathways, signage, lighting, landscaping, and other improvements (the "Infrastructure Improvements"), and to invest in housing related assistance that directly improves the health of people living in zip codes with the highest social vulnerability index scores (the "Housing Improvements") (and together with the Infrastructure Improvements, collectively, the "District Improvements" or "Project"); and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the District Improvements will encourage new commercial and residential development, rehabilitation of existing housing stock, rehabilitation of existing commercial structures, and construction or rehabilitation of public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to collaborate with the Health Sciences CID and encourage the development of health, educational and other commercial projects in the Health Sciences Community Improvement District; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Health Sciences CID desire to collaborate on an economic development plan for the District and environs ("Plan Area"); and

WHEREAS, the Health Sciences CID boundaries include real property within and near the District which is underutilized for surface parking, vacant space and temporary uses; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Health Sciences CID desire to partner on the accelerated development of health and educational facilities within the boundaries of the Health Sciences CID as part of the economic development plan; and

WHEREAS, the Project serves a public purpose in that it will promote economic development in the City and serve as a catalyst for additional investment and development of educational and health facilities and additional employment in the Health Sciences District; and

WHEREAS, the Project is anticipated to provide for the retention and attraction of new jobs for Kansas City which will contribute substantially to the growth of the City's economy, and the District's investment in the Project serves a public purpose by furthering the City's policy of encouraging economic stability and growth; NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a Cooperative Agreement with the Health Sciences Community Improvement District for certain housing improvements, infrastructure improvements, and economic development planning, and the redevelopment of underutilized real property located within the Health Sciences Community Improvement District, including the City's contribution to the financing of District Improvements, in substantial form as attached hereto.

Approved as to form and legality:

Katherine Chandler Assistant City Attorney