

ORDINANCE NO. 30201

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE FINAL 2017 SERVICE PLAN, THE FINAL 2016 ASSESSMENT PLAN, AND THE 2016 ASSESSMENT ROLL (TO BE KEPT ON FILE WITH THE CITY SECRETARY); ESTABLISHING CLASSIFICATIONS FOR THE APPORTIONMENT OF COSTS AND THE METHODS OF ASSESSING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SERVICES AND IMPROVEMENTS TO PROPERTY IN THE DALLAS DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (DISTRICT); CLOSING THE HEARING AND LEVYING A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT FOR SERVICES AND IMPROVEMENTS TO BE PROVIDED IN THE DISTRICT DURING 2017; PROVIDING FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF CITY ADMINISTRATIVE COST FOR OPERATIONAL OVERSIGHT OF THE DISTRICT; FIXING CHARGES AND LIENS AGAINST THE PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT AND AGAINST THE OWNERS THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF THE 2016 ASSESSMENT; PROVIDING FOR CITY PARTICIPATION IN THE DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$651,427.00 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Public Improvement District Assessment Act, Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code ("Act") allows for the creation of public improvement districts; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 1992, City Council established the Dallas Downtown Improvement District (the "District"), as shown on the attached **Exhibit A - Map of the District**, pursuant to the Act finding that the Act's requirements and supplemental services and improvements were feasible and conferred a special benefit to the property in the District, designated Downtown Dallas Inc. as the manager of the District, authorized a contract for management services; and approved the District Service Plan, and annual updates by Resolution No. 92-2445; and

WHEREAS, on August 9, 2006, City Council authorized the renewal of the District for a seven-year period by Resolution Nos. 06-2048 and 06-2049; and

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2013, City Council authorized the renewal of the District for a seven-year period by Resolution No.13-1015; and

WHEREAS, City Council must review the proposed 2017 Service Plan and hold a public hearing to receive comments and pass on any objections to the 2016 Assessment Plan raised by any owner of property located within the District and at the conclusion of the hearing to levy the assessment for the purpose of providing supplemental services and improvements; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2016, information about this item was presented to the Economic Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, on August 24, 2016, the City Council authorized a public hearing to be held on September 14, 2016, to receive comments on the proposed 2016 Assessment Rate and final approval of 2017 Service Plan; and

WHEREAS, Downtown Dallas Inc. provided City staff with the proposed District 2017 Service Plan and 2016 Assessment Plan as shown in **Exhibits B and C**; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to authorize and adopt the Assessment Roll that was filed with the City Secretary and subject to public inspection in the City's official records prior to the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds that the supplemental services and improvements described in the Service Plan and Assessment Plan are feasible and advisable and will serve the needs and desires of the property owners, and that an assessment apportioned in an amount equal to a rate of \$0.129 per \$100.00 of appraised value of property or improvements to the property in the District, as determined by the Dallas Central Appraisal District (DCAD) is reasonable and adequate.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That City Council shall adopt an ordinance approving and adopting the final 2017 Service Plan, the final 2016 Assessment Plan and the 2016 Assessment Roll (to be kept on file with the City Secretary); establishing classifications for the apportionment of costs and the methods of assessing special assessments for the services and improvements to property in the District; closing the hearing and levying a special assessment on property in the District, for services and improvements to be provided during 2017; providing for reimbursement of city administrative costs for operational oversight of the District; fixing charges and liens against the property in the District and against the owners thereof; providing for the collection of the 2016 assessment; and providing for an effective date.

SECTION 2. That the recitals and findings listed above are true and correct and that the action of the City Council closing the public hearing in these proceedings is hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 3. That the assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property, shall be assessed according to the value of the real property and real property improvements as determined by the Dallas Central Appraisal District. The gross assessment amount for 2016 is estimated to be \$7,284,008. This amount shall be apportioned in an amount approximately equal to \$0.129 per \$100.00 of appraised value, as determined by the Dallas Central Appraisal District. Once levied, this assessment rate shall not increase during the 2017 service plan year.

SECTION 3. (Continued)

The City of Dallas has contractually agreed to pay assessments against exempt City property in the District. City right-of-way, railroad right-of-way, parks and cemeteries are not specially benefitted and therefore are not subject to assessment. Payment of assessments by other exempt jurisdictions and entities must also be established by contract.

SECTION 4. That City Council hereby authorizes and adopts the final 2017 Service Plan, the final 2016 Assessment Plan and the 2016 Assessment Roll (to be kept on file with the City Secretary) apportioning the total cost of the services and improvements to be assessed against property in the District for fiscal year ending December 31, 2016, of approximately \$6,581,041.00. The Assessment Roll apportions the assessment against each parcel of land in the District and is subject to public inspection in the City's official records.

SECTION 5. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds from:

Fund 0001, Department BMS, Unit 1991, Object 3599 to pay assessments on City-owned property benefitting from services and improvements provided by the District in an amount not to exceed \$443,651, subject to annual appropriations; and

Fund 0080, Department CCT, Unit 7840, Object 3599 to pay assessments on City-owned property benefitting from services and improvements provided by the District in an amount not to exceed \$207,776, subject to annual appropriations.

For a total not to exceed \$651,427.

SECTION 6. That notice of City Council's intention to consider the proposed assessments at a public hearing on September 14, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, 1500 Marilla Street, Dallas, Texas was published in the official newspaper of the City of Dallas, Texas before the 10th day before the date of the hearing. The notice stated: (1) the date, time and place of the hearing; (2) the general nature of the services and improvements; (3) the cost of the services and improvements; (4) the boundaries of the District; and (5) that written or oral objections will be considered at the hearing.

SECTION 7. That Dallas City staff mailed to the owners of property liable for assessment notice of the hearing as the ownership appears on the City tax roll. The notice contained the information required by the Act. The notice was mailed before the 10th day before the date of the hearing to the last known address of the property owner on the City tax roll. The failure of the property owner to receive notice does not invalidate the proceeding.

SECTION 8. That City Council finds that the assessments should be made and levied against the respective parcels of property within the District and against the owners thereof, and are substantially in proportion to the special benefits accrued to the respective parcels of property by means of the services and improvements in the District for which such assessments are levied, and further finds that in each case the property assessed is specially benefited by means of the said services and improvements in the District, and further finds that the apportionment of costs of the services and improvements is in accordance with the law in force in this City and the State and that the proceedings of the City heretofore held with reference to the formation of the District and the imposition of assessments for said services and improvements are in all respects valid and regular.

SECTION 9. That there shall be and is hereby levied and assessed against the parcels of property within the District, and against the real and true owners thereof (whether such owners be correctly named or not), the sums of money as listed in the Assessment Roll on file with the City Secretary and subject to public inspection, and the several amounts assessed against the same, and the owners thereof.

SECTION 10. That the several sums above mentioned and assessed against the said parcels of property and the owners thereof, and interest thereon at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum, provided, however, that such interest rate shall not exceed the maximum amount allowed by law, together with reasonable fees and the costs of collection, if incurred, are hereby declared to be and are made a first and prior lien against the property assessed, superior to all other liens and claims except liens and claims for state, county, school district and municipality ad valorem taxes and are a personal liability of and charge against the owners of the property regardless of whether the owners are named. The lien is effective from the date of this ordinance until the assessment is paid and may be enforced by the governing body in the same manner that an ad valorem tax lien against real property may be enforced by the governing body.

SECTION 11. That the assessments levied herein shall be due and payable in full on or before January 31, 2017. That if default be made in the payment of any of the said sums hereby assessed against said property owners and their property, collection thereof, including, costs and fees, shall be enforced by the governing body in the same manner that an ad valorem tax lien against real property may be enforced by the governing body. The owner of the assessed property may pay at any time the entire assessment, with interest that has accrued on the assessment, on any lot or parcel.

SECTION 12 That all assessments levied are a personal liability and charge against the real and true owners of the premises described, notwithstanding such owners may not be named, or may be incorrectly named.

SECTION 13. That as part of the assessment levied herein, and as a part of the service plan, the District shall reimburse to City, administrative costs for the day to day operations conducted by city staff for the District, which amount shall be paid by the District to City upon receipt of an invoice; and that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to establish Fund 0694, Department ECO, to support recovery of the costs incurred by the Office of Economic Development for such day to day operational costs incurred.


SECTION 14. That the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to accept and deposit any and all revenues received from the District in Fund 0694, Department ECO, Unit 9877, Revenue Source 7399; and that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to transfer annually, funds in amounts to be determined based upon costs incurred and related rates then in effect, from Fund 0694, Department ECO, Unit 9877, to General Fund 0001, Department ECO, Unit 1161 and Unit 1163, Object 5011, to reimburse the Office of Economic Development for administrative costs incurred for the day to day operational oversight of the District.

SECTION 15. That the assessments herein levied are made and levied under and by virtue of the terms, powers and provisions of the Public Improvement District Assessment Act, Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code, as amended.

SECTION 16. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so ordained.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

CHRISTOPHER D. BOWERS
INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY

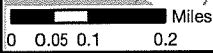
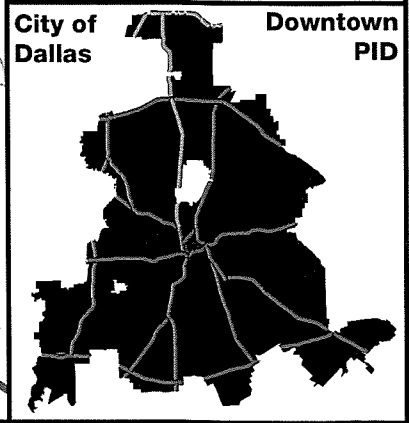
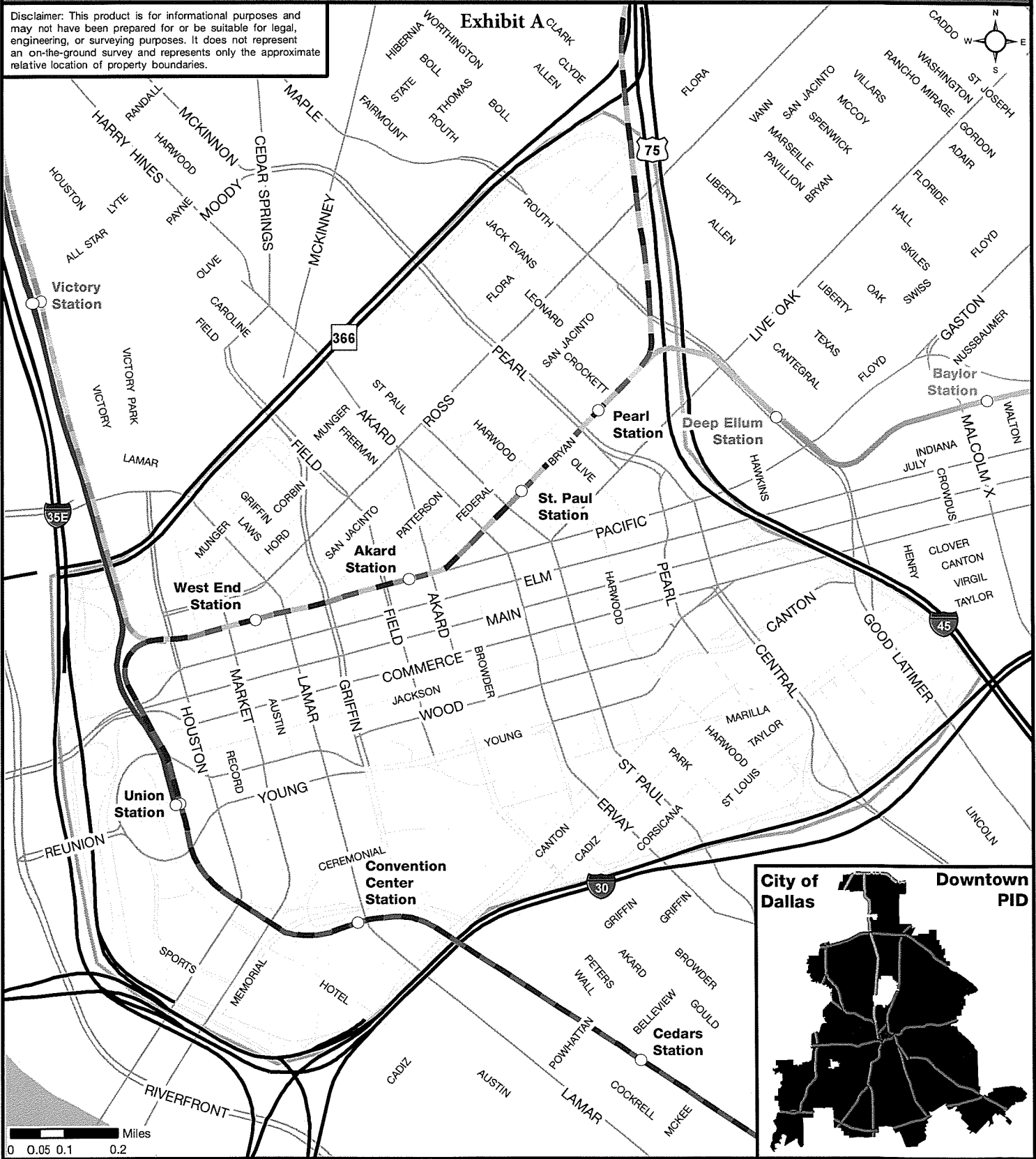
By: 
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Passed and correctly enrolled SEP 14 2016

Downtown Improvement District (DID)

Disclaimer: This product is for informational purposes and may not have been prepared for or be suitable for legal, engineering, or surveying purposes. It does not represent an on-the-ground survey and represents only the approximate relative location of property boundaries.

Exhibit A



DALLAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
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Legend	
	Downtown Improvement District
	Rail Station
	DART Red Line
	DART Blue Line
	DART Green Line
	DART Orange Line
	Trinity Railway Express
	Freeway or Tollway
	Arterial
	Local Road
	Flood Plain

Exhibit B

Dallas Downtown Improvement District (DID)

Service Plan 2017-2021

	2017 Budget	2018 Budget	2019 Budget	2020 Budget	2021 Budget
REVENUES & RESERVES					
Fund balance from previous year	\$556.00	\$2,843.00	\$1,685.61	\$1,829.48	\$1,069.94
Net assessment revenue*	\$6,501,328.00	\$6,572,842.61	\$6,645,143.88	\$6,718,240.46	\$6,792,141.10
Exempt jurisdictions	\$81,500.00	\$81,500.00	\$81,500.00	\$81,500.00	\$81,500.00
Interest on cash balances	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Other income & contributions	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME & RESERVES	\$6,583,884.00	\$6,657,685.61	\$6,728,829.48	\$6,802,069.94	\$6,875,211.05
EXPENDITURES					
Organization & Administration	\$825,525.00	\$850,000.00	\$875,000.00	\$900,000.00	\$925,000.00
Capital Improvements ¹	\$282,245.00	\$286,000.00	\$292,000.00	\$297,000.00	\$302,000.00
Transportation and Improvements ²	\$382,202.00	\$385,000.00	\$388,000.00	\$390,000.00	\$392,000.00
Communications & Events ³	\$1,240,815.00	\$1,245,000.00	\$1,250,000.00	\$1,255,000.00	\$1,260,000.00
Services and Improvements ⁴	\$1,310,045.00	\$1,325,000.00	\$1,340,000.00	\$1,355,000.00	\$1,370,000.00
Safety ⁵	\$2,540,209.00	\$2,565,000.00	\$2,582,000.00	\$2,604,000.00	\$2,625,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$6,581,041.00	\$6,656,000.00	\$6,727,000.00	\$6,801,000.00	\$6,874,000.00
FUND BALANCE/RESERVES	\$2,843.00	\$1,685.61	\$1,829.48	\$1,069.94	\$1,211.05

Notes

* 2016 Assessment less admin fees, delinquent and/or protested accounts contingency and exempt accounts removed by the County.

¹ Public Improvements, landscape and parks.

² Downtown circulator, operation and maintenance of mass transportation facilities.

³ Special supplemental service for promotion and improvement of the DID, including, entertainment and events, and retail recruitment.

⁴ Community programs, Clean Team, environmental enhancements and sanitation.

⁵ Downtown Safety Patrol, Homeless outreach, education & coordination.

Exhibit C



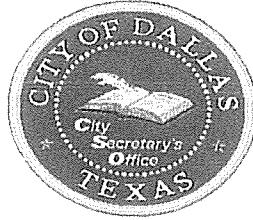
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Downtown Dallas, Inc. Improvement District 2017 Assessment Plan

The costs of the services and improvements by the District will be paid primarily by special assessment against properties in the District. Annual assessments are based on the total value of real property and real property improvements as determined by the Dallas Central Appraisal District ("DCAD").

The District service area is shown on a map attached hereto. The assessment to be levied for properties in the District service area is \$0.1290 per \$100 of appraised value. Dependent upon future District property values and the changing needs of the District, the assessment rate stated above is not anticipated to change in the next five years. Actual assessment rates and levies will be set by the Dallas City Council subject to a maximum of \$0.15 per \$100 of value and according to procedures stipulated by Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code.

As provided by Chapter 372 of The Code, the City of Dallas is responsible for payments of assessments against exempt municipal property in the District. Properties not liable for assessment include City rights-of-way and properties not owned by the City of Dallas but have obtained an exemption from the City of Dallas real property taxes pursuant to the Texas Property Code (except under the provisions of Sections 11.24 and 11.28 of the Property Tax Code). Payment of assessments by other exempt jurisdictions shall be established by contract.



PROOF OF PUBLICATION – LEGAL ADVERTISING

The legal advertisement required for the noted ordinance was published in the Dallas Morning News, the official newspaper of the city, as required by law, and the Dallas City Charter, Chapter XVIII, Section 7.

DATE ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL SEP 14 2016

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DATE PUBLISHED SEP 17 2016

ATTESTED BY: