# **Council Strategic Goal | Downtown**

### Parking Site Analysis and Selection Criteria August 10, 2021

### Agenda – 2021 Council Goals - Downtown

- Direction from July 27, 2021 Council meeting Utilize prior study work to accelerate the site analysis for downtown parking garage
  - Review criteria for council feedback
  - Provide information on prior analysis of non city owned sites for informational purposes
    - County owned sites
    - Bank of America site (6<sup>th</sup> and Austin)
  - Review 4 city-owned sites
    - (North or Daisy Lot) Austin Avenue and  $4^{\rm th}$
    - (South/Red Poppy)  $9^{\rm th}$  and Main
    - (Central/Bluebonnet)  $6^{\rm th}$  and Main
    - (Library) Rock and 9th
  - Add other potential sites such as
    - Tamiro (6<sup>th</sup> and Austin East)
    - Bank of America site (6<sup>th</sup> and Austin West)
    - Others at Council direction
  - Council feedback on public stakeholder plan
    - Provide on-site opportunity for public to visit sites (direction from 7.27.21)
    - Staff plan



## **Prior Criteria Utilized for Analysis**

- Overall Cost
- Impact number of parking places added (net new)
- Location
  - Relative to Square
  - Concepts support residential, retail or both (intensity of uses)
  - Concept requires land acquisition (was an eliminator in 2015)
- Approximate height
- Parking Geometrics and Circulation
- Traffic Access and Impacts
- User convenience of circulation and ramping



## Additional Criteria Suggested by Staff

- Location visibility to visitors
- Location relation to new development/more intense uses
- Location impact to existing residential
- Location proximity to other public parking
- Potential for future Public Private Partnerships (mixed use opportunities)



#### City-Owned Sites for Potential Parking Garage



PREVIOUSLY STUDIED Non City-Owned Sites (Previously studied BOA and County owned at 6<sup>th</sup> and Rock)



Non City-Owned Sites for Potential Parking Garage Additional to be Reviewed in this work (Tamiro)



### **Proposed Site Analysis Work**

#### • Existing Site analysis for following sites completed in 2015

- Will work with engineers to update costs
- Will increase contingency, landscaping,façade costs
- Add other sites for analysis
- Come back in October/November with the analysis



### **Basis for Analysis**

- Utilized schematic design work previously completed by developer for size and scale
- Estimated cost/number of spaces based upon basic engineering work by developers' engineer
  - Cost estimated using average cost per spaces
- Increased contingency amount for landscaping, façade design/improvements and utility/site work)
- County owned sites are not being considered based upon their consistent feedback that selling property to city for a garage is not an option



### **Council Feedback/Direction on Site Analysis**

#### Council feedback on proposed work for site analysis

- Any additional sites Council wants to be considered
- Any additional criteria Council wants to use for analysis



#### Parking Study – Communication/Engagement Strategies Site Analysis (to be done after site analysis)

#### • Public Engagement

- Surveys (online and printed)
- Visitor Center public engagement site and assistance
- Open houses
- Stakeholder conversations
- Booth at local events
- Site Tours
- Distribution and promotion
  - Website
  - News releases
  - Social media
  - Reporter
  - Advertisements
  - Handouts and signage around the Square
  - Stakeholder emails



### **Council Direction**

#### • Feedback on Engagement strategies

- At what point(s) does Council want to get public engagement
- Is feedback on the site selection the only feedback desired for this exercise
  - Design?
  - Others?
- What other options should we utilize for engagement



### **Council Direction – Next steps**

#### • Site Analysis to begin immediately

- Target date for results October/November
- Council feedback
- Comprehensive Parking Study to begin Spring/Summer 2022
  - Develop RFP with all options to be considered in study
  - Council feedback

#### Public Engagement

Council feedback

