

Legislation Text

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Approving the plan, estimated costs and proposed method of assessment and charges of the South Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia for and concerning business improvements and administrative services to the eastern South Street and Headhouse areas of the City of Philadelphia; all under certain terms and conditions.

WHEREAS, under the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, P.L. 382, as amended (“Act”), the City of Philadelphia authorized, in an Ordinance approved on October 9, 1992 (Bill No. 209), the organization of an Authority known as the South Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia for the purpose of making business improvements and providing administrative services, as those terms are defined in the Act, for the South Street Headhouse area of the City of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Articles of Incorporation were filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Authority was incorporated on January 15, 1993; and

WHEREAS, Bill No. 494 (approved June 2, 1993), authorized the Authority for a term of five (5) years under the provisions of the Act; and

WHEREAS, The Articles of Incorporation were amended on December 29, 1997, to extend the term of the Authority until December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Bill No. 970275 (approved December 29, 1997) approved the Plan and Budget for the South Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia through December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Bill No. 010069 (approved May 31, 2001) expanded the boundaries of the South Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia as set forth in Section 1 of such Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the South Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia wishes to continue providing business improvements and administrative services to the South Street/Headhouse area of the City of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with the Act, the South Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia has recently completed a plan for certain business improvements and services to the South Street, Headhouse, and 4th Street Fabric Row areas of the City of Philadelphia for fiscal years 2018 through 2022, together with the estimated costs thereof and the proposed method of assessments and charges therefor, and has submitted a copy to City Council for review and approval a document entitled “South Street Headhouse District Five Year Plan and Budget: 2018-2022” (“Plan”), attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, The South Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia mailed to each property owner and to each commercial tenant within the District the Plan which includes a map of the District, a description of the Plan, and the proposed method of assessment and charges; and

WHEREAS, After duly advertised public hearings have been held by the South Street Headhouse

District of Philadelphia pursuant to the Act, legally sufficient objections have not been received either from persons representing one-third (1/3) of the properties in the District or from property owners whose property valuation as assessed for taxable purposes amounts to more than one-third (1/3) of the total property valuation of the District; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to take appropriate action with respect to the Plan; now, therefore

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. The South Street Headhouse District Five Year Plan and Budget (“Plan”) attached as Exhibit “A” hereto, including maps and other documents and supporting data which form a part of the Plan, submitted by the South Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia (“SSHD”) having been duly reviewed and considered, is approved.

SECTION 2. The area to be served by the SSHD is bounded as described in Exhibit “B” attached hereto.

SECTION 3. The SSHD is authorized to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the Plan for a period of five (5) years. City Council authorizes the SSHD to proceed with minor changes in substantial conformity with said Plan. Any major changes must be approved by Ordinance.

SECTION 4. The City resolves to cause the level of security and maintenance services provided by the City to the area served by the SSHD to be established in the future at the same levels as would have been provided in the absence of the services to be provided by the SSHD, unless there shall be a City-wide reduction in services.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

EXHIBIT A

FINAL 2018-2022 PLAN AND BUDGET FOR THE SOUTH STREET/HEADHOUSE DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA (“SSHD”)

