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Approving a new plan, estimated costs and proposed method of charges of the City Avenue Special Services District for and concerning business improvements and administrative services to portions of the City Avenue area of the City of Philadelphia and Township of Lower Merion.

WHEREAS, The City Avenue Special Services District (CASSD) was incorporated under the provisions of the Municipality Authorities Act (Act) and was authorized by Bill No. 960561 (approved on December 18, 1996); and

WHEREAS, Following its incorporation, the CASSD adopted a five-year plan for business improvements and administrative services to the City Avenue area, which plan was approved by City Council in Bill No. 980749 (approved January 9, 1999); and

WHEREAS, Bill No. 020486 (approved November 13, 2002) amended the articles of incorporation of the CASSD and extended the term of the Authority until December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Bill No. 030716 (approved December 4, 2003) approved a twenty year plan continued the term of the CASSD until December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Bill 210549 (approved November 4, 2021) amended the articles of incorporation of the CASSD and extended the term of the Authority until December 31, 2042; and

WHEREAS, on December 31, 2023, the term approving the plan, estimated costs and proposed method of charges of the CASSD will automatically expire; and

WHEREAS, After sending each benefitted property and property owner and to each commercial tenant in the CASSD a copy of the Plans and costs and after a duly advertised public hearing held by the CASSD pursuant to the Act, legally sufficient written objections have not been received either from persons representing the ownership of one-third (1/3) of the benefitted properties in the District as proposed by this Ordinance or from benefitted property owners within the District as proposed by this Ordinance 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, As required by the Act, the Plan has now been submitted to City Council for its review and approval; and

WHEREAS, It is City Council's intent in enacting this Ordinance to take the action required under the Act to approve the Plan; now, therefore

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. The plan, budget and map for the City Avenue Special Services District (the "Plan") attached

hereto as Exhibit "A," submitted by the City Avenue Special Services District (the "CASSD"), having been duly reviewed and considered, is approved.

SECTION 2. The CASSD is authorized to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the Plan. City Council authorizes the CASSD to proceed with minor changes in substantial conformity with the Plan. Any major changes must be approved by Ordinance of City Council.

SECTION 3. City Council resolves to cause the level of security and maintenance services provided by the City to the area served by the CASSD 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 CASSD, unless there shall be a city-wide reduction in services.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect on December 31, 2023.

EXHIBIT "A"
2024-2033 PLAN AND BUDGET FOR THE
CITY AVENUE SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT