



Legislation Text

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Power District (B)

The Power District is a unique redevelopment opportunity of GRU and City facilities located in Southeast Gainesville between Downtown and Depot Park. The CRA on behalf of GRU and the City has been acting as an agent for redevelopment. To date, significant pre-development due diligence work such as community engagement, crafting the 2013 Redevelopment Plan, rezoning, technical studies, special events, environmental analysis, and real estate development solicitations have been completed.

Following the termination of the previous developer negotiations, Staff provided a presentation on the current status of the Power District initiative at the July 15, 2019 CRA Board meeting. One of the primary discussion topics of the presentation was the importance of defining the project limits and boundary prior to advertising another redevelopment solicitation. Subsequently, the CRA Board passed the following motion: 1) Bring item to the first Commission meeting in October; 2) Bring pros and cons of expanded boundaries, list of properties available for redevelopment and cost to GRU of moving operations, and to include RTS bus station in the developed boundary.

As a result of the motion, CRA/GRU/City Staff have been collaborating to address the various requested items as well as tour interested City Commissioners around the project. Staff will provide a presentation outlining the existing project boundary versus the expanded boundary, the pros and cons of the additional areas, and cost estimates of relocating GRU from the Administration building.

None

The City Commission provide feedback and direction on project boundary