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Land Use & Environment Committee

The Downtown Project -- Year End Report and Next Steps

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Title

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Recommended Action

Recommend moving forward with Downtown Project III (DP3), as presented by staff.

Report

Issue:

Downtown Project II (DP2) projects are nearing completion. Staff will report on the status of DP2 and seek approval of updated DP3 work plan.

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Background and Analysis:

In 2011, City Council created the Downtown Project, a multi-directional approach toward creating a clean and safe environment for all users of downtown. The Land Use and Environment Committee is the council committee taking lead on downtown project progress.

Thus far, there have been two phases of the downtown project. The most recent (DP2) encapsulated 23 separate projects varying in scope and size. These projects focused on four primary themes: Clean, Safe, Economic Development, and Placemaking (See attachment 1).

As 2013 comes to an end, staff will report on the successes of DP2 projects. In addition, staff will present projects on the DP3 work-plan based on the discussion at the November 21, 2013 LUEC meeting.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Downtown Project 3 is a community project. Many of the projects involve community partnerships to complete. Successful completion of these projects will assist in the creation of a safe and welcome environment for all users of downtown.

Options:

Option 1 - Recommend to Council the Downtown Project 3 as presented by staff.

Option 2 - Add or remove Downtown Project 3 projects from staff report. Recommend amended Downtown Project 3 version to full Council.

Financial Impact:

Varies depending on specific Downtown Project 3 project.