



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Agenda Date	November 12, 2024
Requested Action	APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R91; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOERNE, TEXAS, SUPPORTING A LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE § 615.003 FOR A POTENTIAL JOINT CITY-COUNTY PARKING GARAGE PROJECT.
Contact Person	Ben Thatcher, City Manager
Background Information	<p>Purpose: City council is being asked to consider a resolution asking the Texas Legislature to amend Texas Local Government Code § 615.003. This amendment would allow counties with populations under 150,000, such as Kendall County, to construct, enlarge, equip, and operate parking structures.</p> <p>Background: The City of Boerne's 2018 master plan highlighted the need for increased downtown parking. Limited parking has been a recurring concern among residents and business owners. Addressing this issue is essential for supporting the continued growth and vitality of the downtown area. Both the City of Boerne and Kendall County recognize the mutual benefits of a collaborative approach to building a parking garage adjacent to the county courthouse on county property. Current legislation, however, restricts counties with populations under 150,000 from undertaking such projects under § 615.003 of the Texas Local Government Code.</p> <p>At their most recent meeting, the Kendall County Commissioners Court approved a similar resolution requesting the Texas Legislature to amend § 615.003. The county has available land near the courthouse that could potentially be used for this project, making it an ideal opportunity for a joint city-county initiative. The City of Boerne is a willing partner in this effort, contingent on legislative approval.</p> <p>Proposal: To enable this joint venture, it is proposed that the city council approve a resolution requesting the Texas Legislature to amend § 615.003. This legislative change would authorize counties with smaller populations,</p>

	<p>like Kendall County, to pursue essential infrastructure projects that serve the public interest.</p> <p>Recommendation: Approve the resolution requesting that the Texas Legislature consider amending § 615.003 of the Texas Local Government Code to allow Kendall County to construct and operate parking structures.</p>
Item Justification	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Legal/Regulatory Obligation <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure Investment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Reduce Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Pull</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Service Enhancement</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mitigate Risk <input type="checkbox"/> Process Efficiency</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Master Plan Recommendation <input type="checkbox"/> Other:</p>
Strategic Alignment	<p>B2 – This amendment aligns with strategic goals outlined in the city's master plan and addresses the community's ongoing concerns regarding downtown parking capacity.</p>
Financial Considerations	
Citizen Input/Board Review	n/a
Legal Review	
Alternative Options	
Supporting Documents	Resolution No. 2024-R91