

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

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October 24, 2017 Workshop

NEW CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU FACILITY

RECOMMENDED **ACTION** (be specific) No Action - New Convention and Visitors Bureau Facility Discussion

**CONTACT PERSON** 

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SUMMARY

Councilmember Boyd asked to review the issue of a one story Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) building versus a larger two story building.

When the City was approached by a development group, the idea of a two story building running the full length of the street frontage was discussed as a possible public/private partnership opportunity. Two conceptual designs were created for discussion and feasibility purposes; however, the idea was abandoned after several months of feasibility planning for the following reasons:

- The City could not get to an acceptable lease rate. Base rent and triple net operating expenses were calculated at over \$70,000 per year
- The City would lose valuable public parking spaces, 9 parking spaces resulting from expanded building footprint and additional parking stalls that would be utilized by tenants and patrons of the retail/office businesses that would occupy the majority of the building lease space.
- If the City constructed and managed a two story building, the City has no previous experience in the role as landlord with commercial retail/office lease responsibilities and currently does not have the staff expertise or manpower for 24/7 availability to address typical tenant needs and emergencies.
- Additionally, there are no budgeted funds for this project. The project is to be built from the proceeds of the current CVB. The one-story 2800 sf structure is estimated at \$784,000. Should Council desire to build the two-story (15,000 sf) structure, the estimated cost is \$2,928,000.

The City Council did approve on September 26, 2017, the architect's contract for a one story 2,800 s.f. building to be designed with the

	original concept for a standalone CVB facility with parking lot improvements. Included in this project would be the utilization of a portion of the \$160,000 Keep Texas Beautiful Governor's Community Achievement Award grant funds for a pro rata share of these parking lot improvements, pending approval of TxDOT.
COST	N/A
SOURCE OF FUNDS	N/A
ADDITIONAL	2 story building site plan
INFORMATION	2 story building elevation – Option #1
	2 story building elevation – Option #2
	1 story building & parking lot improvements site plan

This summary is not meant to be all inclusive. Supporting documentation is attached.