

BY COUNCIL MEMBER _____

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the Home Rule City Act, Act 279 of 1909, as amended, being MCL 117.5i (the act) a request to create a Special Assessment District (SAD) has been received; and

WHEREAS, a city with a population of more than 600,000 may provide by ordinance a procedure to finance by special assessments the provision by private contractors of snow removal from streets, mosquito abatement, and security services. The ordinance shall authorize the use of petitions to initiate the establishment of a special assessment district. The record owners of not less than 51% of the land comprising the actual SAD must have signed the petitions.

WHEREAS, the City of Detroit has amended Chapter 18, Article XII of the 1984 Detroit City Code, by adding Division 7, “Special Assessments for Snow Removal, Mosquito Abatement, and Security Services”, Subdivision A, “General Matters”, Sections 18-12-120 to 18-12-123, Subdivision B, “Petition”, Sections 18-12-125 to 18-12-128, Subdivision C, “Establishment of District and Assessment”, Sections 18-12-130 to 18-12-142, and Subdivision D, “Contracting for Provision of Services”, Sections 18-12-145 to 18-12-146, to specifically implement the provisions of Section 5i of the Home Rule City Act, MCL 117.5i, which grants the power to “provide by ordinance a procedure to finance by special assessments the provision by private contractors of snow removal from streets, mosquito abatement, and security services [and] authorize the use of petitions to initiate the establishment of a special assessment district.”; and

WHEREAS, the University District Special Assessment District, acting as the Designated Neighborhood Improvement Organization (DNIO), is proposing to create a SAD for the benefit of all Tax Parcels for which a Tax Parcel Share is assessed the services of:

1. Snow removal from streets, which may include the portion designed for vehicular travel, the portion designed for pedestrian travel, or both;
2. Mosquito abatement; and
3. Security Services; and

WHEREAS, The Office of the Chief Financial Officer – Office of the Assessor, as the Administering Department, certifies that the University District Special Assessment District, has submitted petitions in compliance with MCL 117.5i, containing the

signatures of at least 51% of the property owners in the designate area in support of the creation of a SAD, and

Whereas, the Office of the Chief Financial Officer – Office of the Assessors has previously provided to the Detroit City Council a report verifying the validity of the petition and any other information that the Administering Department deems appropriate; and

Whereas, the boundaries of the proposed SAD are as follows beginning at the intersection of the south line of Seven Mile Road and the East Line of Livernois Ave, thence southerly along said east line of Livernois to the north line of McNichols Rd , thence easterly along said north line of McNichols to the east line of Parkside Ave, thence northerly along said east line of Parkside to the south line of said Seven Mile Road, thence westerly along said south line of Seven Mile Road to the point of beginning

Whereas, the proposed estimate of the cost of the services is \$168,305, which equates to approximately \$175/parcel; and

Whereas, the City Council hereby preliminarily finds that the tax parcels will be benefited by an amount proportionate to the tax parcel share; and

Whereas, the term of the SAD is seven (7) years; and

Whereas, due to the natures of the services being provided, a periodic redetermination of cost will be necessary without a change in the SAD boundaries, that redetermination of the cost will occur in April of each year; and

Whereas, the services to be provided are an extension or expansion to services already provided by the City and are not a replacement for existing City-provided services; and

Whereas, the Budget Audit and Finance standing subcommittee of the Detroit City Council held a public hearing at its June 15, 2022 meeting to support the hearing request; and

Whereas, the revised assessed cost may exceed by up to 10% the original assessed cost included in the resolution approving the district without further notice to residents in the SAD and

Now be it Resolved, the City Council hereby approves the University District Special Assessment District; and

Now be it further resolved that a public hearing to consider the SAD roll for confirmation on _____. Notice of the public hearing shall be given in

accordance with Act 162 of 1962, the Notice of Special Assessment Hearings Act, MCL 211.741 *et seq.*, and shall also be published in a newspaper of general circulation at least five (5) days prior to the date fixed for the hearing. Per Sec. 18-12-131 of City Code, and to the taxpayers of record within the proposed SAD.