

Process for Transit Oriented Development Plan

Background:

- On June 22, 2023, City Council approved the execution of two Interlocal Agreements with VIA Metropolitan Transit (VIA) that established a cooperative partnership with the City of San Antonio to deliver the Advanced Rapid Transit (ART) North/South (N/S) Corridor Project as well as Advanced Transportation District (ATD) funds for advanced transportation and enhanced mobility purposes.
- Advanced Rapid Transit is an example of how to bring an improved mass transit system to our city. The project is part of the Federal Transit Administration's Capital Investment Grant program, one of the largest federal funding programs in existence, bringing substantial federal infrastructure funding to the region.
- In an effort to build upon these key investments and connect policies and programs such as the SA Tomorrow Plan, Multimodal Transportation Plan, the Strategic Housing Implementation Plan (SHIP), the Economic Development Strategic Framework, and other adopted plans, a Council Consideration Request (CCR) was submitted regarding the creation of a Transit Oriented Plan and Program that would incentivize and reduce barriers to development along the ART routes and improve our multi-modal transportation system.
- A Transit Oriented Policy Framework will be developed to provide recommendations that would explore opportunities to align transit, housing, and economic development initiatives to increase connectivity and sustainable development. Two efforts are included in this initiative: A TOD Task Force will review the "TOD" Zoning ordinance and recommend amendments for input and consideration. The Technical Working Group under the Removing Barriers To Affordable Housing Development and Preservation Subcommittee will review City codes and policies to ensure alignment between housing and transit.

TOD Taskforce Background:

- Governance Committee considered the CCR on January 22 and recommended staff move forward with a Taskforce for the first phase to review the UDC and make recommendations to update the “TOD” zoning district. This work will be coordinated with the Technical Working Group under the Removing Barriers to Affordable Housing Development and Preservation Subcommittee under the Housing Commission.
- The Taskforce will meet monthly on the 4th Thursdays of the month at the Development and Business Services Center Boardroom, 1901 South Alamo, from 4pm to 6pm. These meetings are open to the public and allow for a public comment portion at the end of every meeting.
- Following consideration and approval of the UDC amendments, staff will initiate a rezoning strategy of the corridors to implement the “TOD” zoning district. This process is a public input process that will include engagement of residents and the associations along those corridors.

View the Council Consideration Request, [click here](#).