

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance designating the City of Dallas as a media production development zone in accordance with Chapter 485A of the Texas Government Code; and providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas (City) recognizes the importance of its role in local economic development; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 485A of the Texas Government Code, the Media Production Development Zone Act (Act), allows for the designation of media production development zones in the State of Texas to maintain, strengthen, and promote the media production industry in Texas in the face of competition from other states, and;

WHEREAS, the Act offers exemptions to the limited sales, excise, and use taxes to qualified persons who build, construct, renovate, improve, or expand a media production facility within the state; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to use the Act as a tool to incentivize additional economic development within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City meets the requirements of the Act as a media production development zone, as the City has the adequate workforce, infrastructure, facilities, or resources to support the production and completion of moving image projects; and, subject to approval from the Music, Film, Television and Multimedia Office within the Office of the Governor of the State of Texas, it will contain a qualified media production location within its geographical boundaries that meets the criteria under Section 485A.102 of the Act; Now, Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the findings of the city council are hereby approved and adopted.

SECTION 2. That the City of Dallas, Texas is hereby designated as Media Production Development Zone No. 1, in accordance with Texas Government Code Chapter 485A. A map depicting the precise boundaries of the City of Dallas, Texas that comprise MPDZ No. 1 is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part of the ordinance for all purposes.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication, in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so ordained.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

TAMMY L. PALOMINO, City Attorney

By _____
Assistant City Attorney

Passed _____