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**WHEREAS**, the City recognizes the importance of its continued role in local economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended (Texas Tax Code, Chapter 312), requires any taxing jurisdiction wishing to enter into tax abatement agreements to establish guidelines and criteria governing tax abatement agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 380 of the Local Government Code provides that the governing body of a municipality may create programs for loans and grants to promote state or local economic development and to stimulate business and commercial activity in the municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 11, 2019, City Council authorized the re-adoption of the City of Dallas' Public/Private Partnership Program Guidelines and Criteria ("Guidelines") for the period December 31, 2019 through December 31, 2020, by Resolution No. 19-1959; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the City of Dallas to adopt Guidelines in order to make use of available economic development incentives for the promotion of new businesses, the retention and expansion of existing businesses, enhancement of the tax base, and the creation and retention of job opportunities for Dallas citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Guidelines shall not be construed as implying or suggesting that the City of Dallas is under obligation to provide tax abatement or other incentive to any applicant, and all applicants shall be considered on a case-by-case basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council must hold a public hearing to provide a reasonable opportunity for any person concerned to speak for or against the extension of the Guidelines for the period December 31, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

**Now, Therefore,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:**

**SECTION 1.** That a public hearing shall be held on December 9, 2020, in the City Council Chamber, Dallas City Hall, 6th Floor, 1500 Marilla Street, Dallas, Texas 75201 at which time any interested person may appear and speak for or against the extension of the current Public/Private Partnership Program Guidelines and Criteria for the period December 31, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

**SECTION 2.** That the City of Dallas does hereby elect to continue its participation in tax abatement as authorized by the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended (Texas Tax Code, Chapter 312).

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**SECTION 3.** That the documents attached hereto and made a part of this Resolution entitled "Public/Private Partnership Program Guidelines and Criteria," **Exhibit A**, are hereby adopted as Guidelines and Criteria for governing abatement agreements, as specified in the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as well as for other City of Dallas economic development programs, for a period beginning on December 31, 2020 and ending on June 30, 2021.

**SECTION 4.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.