

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago (the "City") is a home rule unit of government under Article VII, Section 6(a) of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois and, as such, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Authority (the "RTA") is an Illinois municipal corporation and body politic created under the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the City and the RTA desire to conduct a transit-oriented development study for the area surrounding the Chicago Transit Authority's Belmont Blue Line station in the Avondale community area (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the City will partner with RTA to evaluate zoning, land use, public realm conditions, and access to transit with the goal of developing a new vision and comprehensive framework for housing, supportive commercial and retail spaces, and improved mobility in this important station area; and

WHEREAS, the RTA has retained a consultant to produce the Plan and the parties have agreed to share the not to exceed \$145,000 consultant cost, with the City's portion being in no event greater than \$29,000; and

WHEREAS, the parties propose to enter into an intergovernmental agreement (the "Agreement") authorizing and setting conditions for each party's contribution and participation in support of the Plan, with such Agreement being attached as Exhibit A hereto; and

WHEREAS, the City and the RTA have authority to enter into the Agreement pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the City plans to fund its contribution under the terms of the Agreement with corporate funds; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. The above recitals are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. Subject to the approval of the Corporation Counsel, the Commissioner of Planning and Development ("Commissioner") or his or her designee is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Agreement with the RTA, with such changes therein as the Commissioner may approve, provided that such changes do not amend any essential terms of the Agreement (execution of the Agreement by the Commissioner or his or her designee constituting conclusive evidence of such approval), and to enter into and execute all such other agreements and instruments and to perform any and all acts as shall be necessary or advisable in connection with the implementation of the Agreement.

SECTION 3. To the extent that any ordinance, resolution, rule, order or provision of the Municipal Code of Chicago, or part thereof, is in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, the provisions of this ordinance shall control. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this ordinance shall

be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval.