

**Title: City of Orlando Downtown CRA Finding of Necessity Study for the Expansion of the Downtown Orlando Community Redevelopment Area**

**Meeting Date:** February 9, 2026

**Section:** Economic Development

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**District:** 3, 4, 5

**Fiscal Impact:** No Fiscal Impact

**Summary:** GAI has prepared a study of blight related to the expansion of the Downtown Community Redevelopment Area boundary to include areas surrounding Camping World Stadium property (“Expansion Area”). This agenda item includes for your information and review, the City of Orlando Downtown CRA Finding of Necessity Study (“Report”). The Report contains data and analysis evidencing the existence of blight in the Expansion Area.

As required by the March 1997 Interlocal Agreement Regarding the Creation of Community Redevelopment Areas between the City of Orlando, Orange County and the City of Orlando Community Redevelopment Agency, any resolution making a finding of necessity for any area in the City’s boundaries (to expand the Community Redevelopment Area) is to be provided to the County for approval by the Board of County Commissioners prior to that resolution’s adoption by City Council. For purposes of forwarding such resolution to Orange County, a draft Finding of Necessity resolution is attached to this agenda item (to be considered by City Council at a later date).

**Recommended Action:** Accept the City of Orlando Downtown CRA Finding of Necessity Study for the Expansion of the Downtown Orlando Community Redevelopment Area and forward draft Finding of Necessity Resolution to Orange County, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney’s Office.