



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Clay Phillips, City Manager

Date: May 14, 2013

Reference: Consider approval of an Ordinance designating Universal Power Group, Inc., Reinvestment Zone No. 78 pursuant to Section 312.201 of the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

2030: Business Prosperity

Introduction:

Universal Power Group (UPG) is one of the leading global suppliers and distributors of sealed lead-acid ("SLA") batteries. They are relocating to 488 S. Royal from Carrollton, Texas. UPG will be leasing the entire building, which is 208,800 square feet in size. This building will serve as their Corporate Headquarters. They will also operate a warehouse/distribution center from this site. UPG will have approximately 140 employees. They are a wholesale distributor.

Analysis:

In order to grant a tax abatement, a reinvestment zone must be created by ordinance. In order to create a reinvestment zone by ordinance, a public hearing must be held. This item satisfies both requirements. The public hearing is held to determine if the improvements in the zone are feasible, practical and of benefit to the land. The public hearing notice was published in the *Citizens' Advocate* on Friday, May 3, 2013, as required by Chapter 312 of the Texas Property Code. The 13.085 acre tract of land included within the boundaries of Reinvestment Zone No. 78 is located north of Creekview Drive and west of Royal Lane. The legal description for the property is Lot 1 of the Lam Lee Addition No. 1.

Legal Review:

Agenda item did not require legal review.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Recommendation:

Economic Development recommends approval.