

1 **Board Bill No. 247 INTRODUCED BY ALDERWOMAN LYDA KREWSON**

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4 An ordinance pertaining to the Central West End North Special Business District,  
5 repealing Ordinance 64935, approved on May 17, 2000, and in lieu thereof enacting two new  
6 sections, extending the period of time during which the Central West End North Special  
7 Business District shall be permitted to collect the tax within the boundaries of the district therein  
8 established and further expanding the activities and improvements for which tax funds may be  
9 used; containing an effectiveness and emergency clauses.

10 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

11 **SECTION ONE.** Ordinance 64935, approved on May 17, 2000, is hereby repealed and in lieu  
12 thereof new sections are enacted to read as follows:

13 **SECTION TWO.** Taxes for the District shall be assessed and collected as follows:

14 A. For the purpose of paying for costs and expenses incurred in the establishment and operation  
15 of the District, the provision of services and facilities and improvements authorized in Sections  
16 Three and Four of this ordinance, and incidental to the leasing, construction, acquisition and  
17 maintenance of any improvements authorized herein or for paying principal and interest on  
18 bonds or notes authorized for the construction or acquisition of any said improvement, there may  
19 be imposed a tax upon all real property within the District at eighty-five cents (\$.85) on the one  
20 hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation, subject to the provisions of Section Five. Such tax  
21 shall be imposed during the 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 tax  
22 years only subject to the renewal of such tax by the qualified voters of the District pursuant to the  
23 procedure set forth in Section 71.800 RSMo. (2000).

24 B. If the proposition submitted to the qualified voters residing in the District receives in its favor  
the votes of the majority of the qualified voters voting at the election conducted pursuant to

1 Section Five, the initial rate of levy which shall be imposed upon real property within the District  
2 shall be 85 cents (\$.85) on the one hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation.

3 C. Real property subject to partial tax abatement under the provisions of Chapter 353, R.S.Mo.,  
4 shall, for the purpose of assessment and collection of ad valorem real estate taxes levied under  
5 the District, be assessed and ad valorem real estate taxes shall be collected upon the same  
6 assessed value on which its ad valorem real estate taxes and payment in lieu of taxes are based in  
7 the Ordinance adopted by the City of St. Louis approving the development plan of any such  
8 corporation and authorizing tax abatement; provided, however, that the owners at such real  
9 property are strongly encouraged to make additional equitable, annual donations to the District in  
10 lieu of the additional District taxes.

11 D. The levy shall not be imposed upon real property exempt from ad valorem real estate taxes  
12 because of charitable, religious, educational or other public or private uses; provided, however,  
13 that the owners of such real property are strongly encouraged to make equitable, annual  
14 donations to the District in lieu of District taxes.

15 E. The tax provided for by this ordinance shall be collected by the Collector of Revenue and held  
16 in a special account to be used only for all purposes authorized hereunder, as provided by law.

17 F. If the District for any reason is dissolved, all delinquent taxes collected after the date of  
18 dissolution shall be credited and forwarded to the general fund of the City of St. Louis after all  
19 debts of the District, if any, are discharged.

20 **SECTION THREE.** All District revenues collected hereunder by the Collector of Revenue,  
21 except for those revenues expended for the necessary costs of the establishment and  
22 administration of the District, and for collection fees for tax revenue collected hereunder, may be

1 used to carry out any and all of the following improvements, services and activities of the  
2 District:

3 A. To provide special police and/or security facilities, equipment, vehicles and/or personnel for  
4 the protection and enjoyment of the property owners and the general public within the District;

5 B. To construct, install, improve and/or maintain useful, or necessary, or desired, security related  
6 improvements;

7 **SECTION FOUR.** The District shall have all the powers necessary to carry out any and all  
8 activities and improvements authorized by law and may:

9 A. Cooperate with any public agencies and with any industry or business located within the  
10 District in the implementation of any project within the District;

11 B. Enter into any agreement with the City, any other public agency, any person, firm, or  
12 corporation to effect any of the provisions contained in Sections 71.790 through 71.808 R.S.Mo.;

13 C. Contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued and provide for insurance of all projects and  
14 property owned or managed by the District and for insurance covering all members of the Board  
15 of Commissioners and employees and agents of the District, providing for coverage of such risks  
16 and with such limits as the Board of Commissioners may deem proper;

17 D. Accept gifts, grants, loans or contributions from the City, the United States of America, the  
18 State of Missouri, political subdivisions, foundations, other public or private agencies,  
19 individuals, partnerships, or corporations; and

20 E. Employ such managerial, engineering, legal, technical, clerical, accounting, and other  
21 assistance as the Board of Commissioners may deem advisable; the District may also contract  
22 with independent contractors for any such assistance.

1 **SECTION FIVE.** The continuation of the tax levy authorized in Section Two of this ordinance  
2 shall not be effective unless and until the following proposition, submitted to the qualified voters  
3 residing in the District at an election in the District to be held on March 3, 2009, shall receive in  
4 its favor the votes of the majority of the qualified voters voting at said election for or against said  
5 proposition. Said proposition shall be in substantially the following form:

6 **OFFICIAL BALLOT**

7            Shall a tax of \$.85 per \$100.00 valuation be imposed for the tax years 2009, 2010,  
8 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 on all real property located in the Central  
9 West End North Special Business District as defined in Ordinance No.62622, approved May 29,  
10 1992, for the purposes as set forth in said Ordinance ?

11             YES

12             NO

13 **SECTION SIX:** This being an ordinance to set a tax levy and for the immediate preservation of  
14 public peace, health and safety, it is declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of  
15 Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore this  
16 ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.