Dallas Entrepreneur Center Management Agreement Amendments

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Background

- **Oct. 30, 2015** Council approves a management agreement for Stoke Denton with the Dallas Entrepreneur Center
- Aug. 1, 2016 Stoke Denton opens
- Feb. 21, 2017 Work Session
 - Stoke Denton's history, budget information, and occupancy/activity
 - Establishment of baseline performance measurements and proposed amendments to the management agreement with the Dallas Entrepreneur Center
- March 21, 2017 Work Session
 - Stoke Denton's 6-month action plan for membership recruitment, programming, and mentoring
 - Review of proposed baseline performance measurements and agreement amendments



Recommendations

- Amending the management agreement as follows:
 - Require establishment of baseline measurements for the number of events held/attendees; visitors; mentor sessions available/used; entrepreneurs assisted
 - Baseline measurements will be used to set future performance goals
 - Change term wording from "will be renewed annually" to "may be renewed annually"
 - Change the expiration date from March 1, 2017, to September 30, 2017
 - Add a general 30-day prior written notice termination option and an appropriations clause
 - Specify remittance of the 10% of membership fees directly to the City of Denton



Evaluation

- To further evaluate the value of Stoke Denton, City staff will be monitoring:
- Occupancy rate
- "Graduation rate"
- Recruitment of tech-sector members
- Business generation and growth
- Member satisfaction

