

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2011, the City of Austin recognized the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) *Urban Bikeway Design Guide* as a resource for guidance on the development of bicycle facilities in Austin; and

WHEREAS, in September of 2013 NACTO unveiled a new design manual for city streets entitled the *Urban Street Design Guide*; and

WHEREAS, Austin city staff served on the project steering committee for the *Urban Street Design Guide*; and

WHEREAS, an important companion document to this new NACTO street design guide is *Designing Walkable Urban Thoroughfares: A Context Sensitive Approach*, a joint effort of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) and the Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU), funded by the Federal Highway Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS, *Designing Walkable Urban Thoroughfares: A Context Sensitive Approach* is specifically named in the Texas Department of Transportation's planning policies; and

WHEREAS, the city is currently rewriting its Transportation Criteria Manual and its Land Development Code; and

WHEREAS, these new documents provide important information and best practices to effectively propel Austin toward its goals of multi-modalism and placemaking, as laid out in the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan;
NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City of Austin recognizes the NACTO *Urban Street Design Guide* and the ITE/CNU *Designing Walkable Urban Thoroughfares: A Context Sensitive Approach* as resources for guidance on the development of streets in Austin.

ADOPTED: _____, 2013 **ATTEST:** _____
Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk