

Resolution NO. _____

WHEREAS, for the past several years the city of Austin has experienced a growth pattern that results in approximately 25,000 new residents per year; and

WHEREAS, the North Austin Civic Association (NACA) and North Lamar Combined Neighborhood Plan Contact Team (NLCT) represent the area bounded by HWY 183, Metric , I-35 and Kramer and Braker Lanes to the north and are charged with working for the good of all stakeholders (residents, property owners, business owners, and associations); and

WHEREAS neighborhoods throughout Austin have experienced redevelopment activity that has created pressure on residents and small businesses concerning their ability to afford to stay in their neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, NACA/ NLCT does not meet the criteria for a Homestead Preservation District, despite currently providing a significant portion of the city's affordable housing stock; and

WHEREAS, currently the city has several initiatives moving forward within NACA/ NLCT such as Restore Rundberg, bond and grant-funded North Lamar Blvd. improvements, Project Connect, and use of affordable housing bonds; and

WHEREAS, other government and private entities have initiatives in the area including a new school and transportation improvements, and

WHEREAS, Imagine Austin has designated two intersecting Activity Corridors and a Neighborhood Center within NACA/ NLCT; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the water quality in Little Walnut Creek be protected and enhanced during and after construction of North Lamar Blvd. improvements and surrounding sites; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 staff created the Complete Streets policy which can be a model for developing a

policy for cross purpose departmental planning and implementation; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to coordinate across city departments and with other agencies to ensure these initiatives are systemically successful and reflect the residents' and small business owners' vision to be able to stay in the area after completion;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

The City Manager is directed to identify initiatives and capital projects currently being implemented and those planned and to ensure that the responsible departments coordinate their efforts, communicate project plans to and engage with NACA/NLCT stakeholders and integrate feedback received from NACA/NLCT.

ADOPTED: _____, 2014

ATTEST: _____
Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk