

# Late Backup

Item No. 89

9/25/2014

Initiated by Law Dept.

## 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 are charged with working for the good of all stakeholders (residents, property owners, business owners, and associations); and~~

**WHEREAS**, the area bounded by Highway 183 and Metric, IH-35, Kramer and Braker Lanes is represented by several planning areas, including Georgian Acres, North Austin Civic Association (NACA) and North Lamar Combined Neighborhood Plan Contact Team (NLCT) that work 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**, although the 2014 Comprehensive Housing Market Study shows that a high proportion of residential units in this area are currently

affordable to lower income households, and the NACA/NLCT area does not meet the criteria for designation as a Homestead Preservation District; and

**WHEREAS**, currently the city has several initiatives moving forward within NACA/ NLCT such as Restore Rundberg, bond and grant-funded North Lamar Boulevard 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**, the City of Austin's Capital Planning Office has developed a Long-Range Capital Improvement Plan which is a cross-departmental planning effort for public investments; 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 of current and future projects; **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 current and future initiatives and capital projects within the area bounded by I-35, Highway 183, Mopac and Walnut Creek and to ensure the responsible departments coordinate their efforts; ~~communicate projects plans to~~ and engage with NACA/NLCT stakeholders citizens and neighborhood planning area representatives and other appropriate stakeholders and integrate feedback ~~received from NACA/NLCT~~ into projects.

**ADOPTED:** \_\_\_\_\_, 2014

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

Jannette S. Goodall  
City Clerk