

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

**WHEREAS**, Council adopted Resolution No. 20140501-042, identifying the need for a Mitigation Plan for the South Lamar neighborhood residential area to address challenges resulting from infill development; and

**WHEREAS**, a cross-departmental team from Planning and Development Review, Watershed Protection and Austin Transportation Departments provided the “South Lamar Neighborhood Mitigation Plan Approaches” presentation to the City Council Comprehensive Planning and Transportation Council Committee on September 4, 2014, reporting that:

- since 2009, the South Lamar Neighborhood area has experienced a significant increase in development with 133 housing units receiving certificates of occupancy between 2009 and mid-2014, along with a recent heavy increase with 549 units presently in the review stage or under development;
- associated transportation issues are exacerbated by poor roadway connectivity, increased traffic congestion, narrow, unimproved roadways and few transportation choices; and
- flooding has increased during the recent increase of development with undersized, collapsed and nonexistent stormwater infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the presentation outlined short, medium, and long-term options and recommendations, followed by a memorandum issued by Director of the Planning and Development Review on October 3, 2014 with similar recommendations, with some requiring additional funds and others utilizing existing staff and resources; and

**WHEREAS**, staff reports some progress has been made with administrative changes to the development process but more direction from Council is needed;

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 20140501-042 also directed the City Manager to use the South Lamar neighborhood area to develop recommendations for enhanced tools and opportunities within the context of the CodeNext rewrite to address cumulative effects of increasing density;  
**NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

The City Council directs the City Manager to formalize and implement the South Lamar Neighborhood Mitigation Plan and report to Council on December 5, 2014 with an implementation schedule for the following actions:

- Implement closer cross-departmental scrutiny of development review cases in the South Lamar Neighborhood and any other neighborhoods within the Del Curto Stormwater Drainage Improvements Study and the West Bouldin Creek Watershed Study.
- Perform a cross-departmental, comprehensive analysis of sections of code and development review processes related to and affected by infill redevelopment, to ensure that infill and urban development/redevelopment does not adversely affect the built and natural environments, identifying:
  - Process changes
  - Code amendments
  - Resource implications
  - New tools and methodologies

- For improvements that require code amendments, determine which amendments should be initiated as amendments to current code and which should be processed through CodeNext.
- To degree practical, limit the size of vehicles on Del Curto, Lightsey, and Clawson and implement a process to ensure any roadway damage due to construction traffic is minimized and appropriate restitution is made.
- Assemble a cross-departmental working group to:
  - identify additional revenue sources and infrastructure financing mechanisms for infrastructure improvements; and
  - report to Council on potential funding mechanisms, including advantages and disadvantages of each mechanism, and recommendations in anticipation of the FY15/16 budget cycle.
- Identify funding options to expand the boundary and scope of the Del Curto Stormwater Drainage Improvements Study
- Identify funding options to expand the West Bouldin Creek Watershed Study to capture the entire watershed to facilitate analysis for drainage and roadway improvements.
- As part of the Complete Streets effort currently underway to revise the Transportation Criteria Manual, develop an enhancement to the Traffic Impact Analysis and Neighborhood Traffic Analysis triggers and requirements to address cumulative effects of development in an area.
- Identify funding options to develop a multi-modal circulation plan for the South Lamar neighborhood area to support Complete Streets policies in parallel with the South Lamar Corridor Study and integrate a

requirement for dedication for transportation improvements at the zoning, subdivision or site plan stage of development.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

The City Manager is directed to report to Council on the status of the South Lamar Neighborhood Mitigation Plan implementation actions on a quarterly basis.

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

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

Jannette S. Goodall  
City Clerk