



BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Resource Advisory Commission

Recommendation Number: 20150610-003-2: Discussion and possible action to recommend that the City Council consider the following resolutions.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Resource Advisory Commission requests that the Austin City Council:

Designate and officially name the 5th St. Mexican American Heritage Corridor through signage and promotion on official City information sites. Funding for a Master Plan for the 5th Street Mexican American Heritage Corridor to provide a vision that would enhance the history of the Mexican Americans in downtown Austin and for the inclusions of 5th Street in the Great Streets Program in the next bond election should be incorporated into the budget for FY2015-2016.

Date of Approval: 6/10/2015

Record of the vote:

Motion by Commissioner Martha Cotera and Seconded by Commissioner Isabel Lopez-Aguilar. The item was approved unanimously.

Attest: _____

(Staff or board member can sign)

Background Information: Council action would be required to designate and officially name 5th Street as the Mexican-American Heritage Corridor. Regarding the Great Street Program, 5th Street west of 1-35 is included in the Great Streets Master Plan (plan area boundaries are E MLK, Cesar Chavez, Lamar, and 1-35. Typical costs for street reconstruction and Great Street streetscape improvements are approximately 1M per block. Total project costs would depend on the scope developed in planning and conceptual development. \$375,000 at a minimum is needed to begin the master plan process. The budget for this item would be \$375,000.

