

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2016, the Historic Landmark Commission (Commission) voted 6-0 to initiate historic zoning on a property located at 1618 Palma Plaza; and

WHEREAS, evidence suggests 1618 Palma Plaza is a contributing structure in the Old West Austin National Register Historic District; and

WHEREAS, on October 24th, 2016, the Commission held a public hearing to consider historic designation for this property; and

WHEREAS, one commissioner as well as one individual testifying against the release of the demolition permit requested additional time to provide important documentation missing from the content in the backup material provided by staff, yet a motion to postpone failed on a 4-2 vote; and

WHEREAS, a motion to release the demolition permit failed on a 2-4 vote with one commissioner abstaining; and

WHEREAS, City Code Section 25-2-355 (C) requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the Commission to recommend zoning or rezoning property as a historic if a record owner of the property files a written statement protesting the zoning or rezoning; and

WHEREAS, at the October 24, 2016 hearing, only seven members were present, yet the commission proceeded to deliberate on the issue; and

WHEREAS, individuals with expertise in historic preservation issues believe that 1618 Palma Plaza meets the criteria for significance under City Code section 25-2-352; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

The City Council initiates historic zoning for the property located at 1618
Palma Plaza.

ADOPTED: _____, 2016 **ATTEST:** _____

Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk

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