

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the Onion Creek Watershed has experienced severe flooding in 1998, 2001, 2013, and, most recently, in October 2015, causing multiple deaths, displacement of hundreds of families, and the damage or destruction of millions of dollars in property; and

WHEREAS, ten homes in the Onion Creek subdivision were substantially damaged from the October 31, 2013 flood and must be brought into compliance with the floodplain regulations; and

WHEREAS, City Council approved the acquisition of homes at risk of flooding in the Lower Onion Creek area through past actions, including through passage of Resolution No. 20140626-028 and item number 14 at City Council's March 5, 2015, meeting; and

WHEREAS, City Council approved Resolution No. 20160519-045 to identify potential funding sources for the acquisition of flood damaged properties in the vicinity of Pinehurst Drive and Wild Dunes Drive in the Onion Creek Subdivision of the Upper Onion Creek watershed, estimated at no more than \$5,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Fiscal Year 2017 budget included direction to utilize \$1,250,000 of the Watershed Capital Improvement Fund to fund flood damage property buyouts in the Upper Onion Creek watershed, leaving an estimated \$3,750,000 gap in necessary funding; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

The City Council directs the City Manager to pursue the acquisition of ten flood-damaged properties in the vicinity of Pinehurst Drive and Wild Dunes Drive in the Onion Creek Subdivision of the Upper Onion Creek Watershed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Council directs the City Manager to complete the appropriate property appraisals and allocate \$3,750,000 of unutilized funds previously identified for voluntary flood buyout acquisition and relocation activities within the current Watershed Protection Department budget to cover the estimated \$3,750,000 gap in necessary funding.

ADOPTED: _____, 2017

ATTEST: _____

Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk