

**RESOLUTION NO. 20181129-041**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Austin has issued 2,142 active permits for short-term rentals (STRs); and

**WHEREAS**, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported in August 2018 that a search returned as many as 8,000 STR listings in August alone; and

**WHEREAS**, from January 1, 2018 to October 8, 2018 the Austin Code Department received 1,380 complaints related to short term rentals; and

**WHEREAS**, a few individual properties account for more than 140 complaints during this period; and

**WHEREAS**, for the Code Department to issue a citation, the Code officer must be physically present to witness the violation; and

**WHEREAS**, Code officers often must visit a single property multiple times to witness a violation, and often Code officers are unable to move forward with enforcement because the violations are not witnessed; and

**WHEREAS**, the fees for licensing, renewal and inspection for STRs range from \$300 to \$519 in Fiscal Year 2019; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

The City Council directs the City Manager to determine the amount of staff time and resources, including the Code and Law Departments, used to address issues related to short-

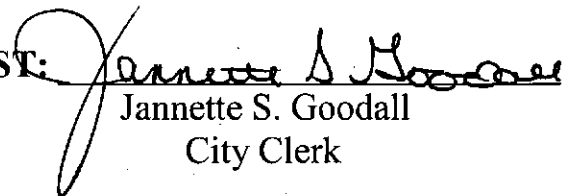
term rentals, particularly among those properties requiring regular and/or recurring Code Department resources.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

The City Manager shall provide the results of this analysis no later than June 20, 2019.

**ADOPTED:** November 29, 2018

**ATTEST:**

  
Jannette S. Goodall  
City Clerk