



**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MOTION 20190821 007c**

**Date:** August 21, 2019

**Subject:** City of Austin’s Coal Tar Pavement Sealant Ban

**Motion by:** Linda Guerrero

**Seconded by:** Mary Ann Neely

**RATIONALE:**

**WHEREAS**, Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) are ever-present in the urban environment; and

**WHEREAS**, varying levels of exposure to PAHs from sealants are toxic to human and aquatic health; and

**WHEREAS**, the Watershed Protection Department proposes amending the ordinance from 2005 for increase protection to residents and aquatic life; and

**WHEREAS**, ten states have coal tar bans within their boundaries in addition to four states with state-wide bans.

**THEREFORE**, the Environmental Commission recommends supporting staff recommendations to amend Chapter 6-6 of the City Code with the following:

**Staff Conditions**

- Add “High PAH Pavement Products” to the ban, which would include:
- Coal tar products
- Coal tar-related products
- Ethylene cracker residue (ECR) products and their derived products; and
- Any pavement product over .1% PAH by weight

**Environmental Commission Conditions**

The Environmental Commission recommends that Chapter 6-6-4 EXEMPTIONS (2) of the City Code be removed.

**VOTE 9-0**

For: Bedford, Creel, Thompson, Guerrero, Gordon, Neely, Coyne, Ramberg, and Maceo

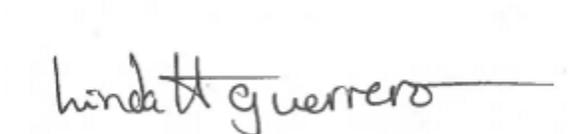
Against: None

Abstain: None

Recuse: None

Absent: C. Smith

Approved By:

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Linda Guerrero, Environmental Commission Chair