



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Veronica Briseño, Director
Economic Development Department

DATE: September 19, 2019

SUBJECT: Update on Resolution 20190619-096: Adoption of Pune, India in the Sister City Program (CIUR 2172)

Austin has fourteen (14) active Sister City agreements dating back as far as 1968 and touch every continent, except Antarctica. These agreements aim to promote citizen-based community collaboration, promote international communication and understanding, strengthen and create partnership between the United States and international communities to increase global cooperation at the municipal level and stimulate economic development.

Austin City Council voted to adopt Pune, India on June 20th as a Sister City (Resolution# 20190619-96). On July 24th the formal agreement was signed between the two cities: City of Austin and Pune Municipal Corporation.

Austin's Sister Cities program is coordinated by local nonprofit organization Austin Sister Cities International (ASCI). ASCI programs' and manages activities with Sister Cities. New Sister Cities are approved by the Mayor and City Council.

If additional information is required, please feel free to contact me at 512-974-2156.