TEMPLATE FOR BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS



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Arts Commission

Recommendation Number: (20191021-7.a.iii): Recommendation to Support the Purchase of Palm School

WHEREAS, the Palm School Complex, including the school building and the park are a significant and important part of Mexican American history in Austin, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Travis County as current owners have expressed interest in selling the property and the City of Austin has expressed interest in purchasing the property;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Arts Commission encourages the Austin City Council to make the purchase of the Palm School Complex for the purposes of preserving and promoting the important historical significance of this building and surrounding parkland as it relates to the contributions of the Mexican American citizens of Austin.

Date of Approval: 10/21/2019

Record of the vote:

9-0-1

For:

Mayor's Appointee – Commissioner Michelle Polgar (Vice Chair)

District 2 – Commissioner Jaime Castillo (Chair)

District 3 – Commissioner Felipe Garza

District 4 – Commissioner Brett Barnes

District 5 – Commissioner Megan Moten

District 7 - Commissioner Krissi Reeves

District 8 – Commissioner Zisman

District 9 - Commissioner Flores

District 10 – Commissioner Mok

Against:

None

Abstained:

District 6 – Commissioner Bears Rebecca Fonte

Attest:

Anne-Marie McKaskle-Davis Arts Commission Staff Liaison