



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

THRU: Assistant City Managers Chris Shorter and Gina Fiandaca

FROM: Lucia Athens, Chief Sustainability Officer and Richard Mendoza, Public Works Director

DATE: April 16, 2020

SUBJECT: Request for an extension to response to Resolution 20190619-091

Background

On June 19, 2019, City Council passed Resolution 20190619-091, which directed the City Manager to determine how the City could implement the goal of requiring all developments on City-owned land to create zero waste, net zero energy, and net positive water buildings. The Resolution also asked for recommendations on updates to the existing green building policy (created in response to Resolution 20071129-045), and to further consider appropriate thresholds and policy revisions for public / private partnerships (P3's), minor renovations, and leased spaces.

Staff Response

A cross-departmental team has been working diligently on this response, including representatives from the Public Works Department, Office of Sustainability, Capital Contracting Office, Purchasing Office, Economic Development Department, Austin Energy Green Building, Small and Minority Business Resources, Aviation, Building Services, Parks and Recreation Department, Austin Convention Center, and Austin Public Library.

Recommendations for green building criteria have been drafted and are currently being reviewed by stakeholder departments. With the changing work requirements involved in responding to COVID-19, it has taken longer to collect feedback and finalize our response. We respectfully request an extension to June 1, 2020 to provide our recommendations.

CC: Spencer Cronk, City Manager