

RESOLUTION NO. 20210729-177

WHEREAS, The Austin Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) has been a steward of Austin's public lands since 1928 and oversees the protection, maintenance and preservation of trails, parkland, and urban forest; and

WHEREAS, PARD offers a variety of social and educational programming including sports, recreation, educational enrichment, arts programs, cultural opportunities, nature, and aquatic activities; and

WHEREAS, The PARD Central Maintenance Complex is located at 2525 South Lakeshore Boulevard, and is not being utilized as parkland, but is solely used as a maintenance yard; and

WHEREAS, The Central Maintenance Complex needs major repairs including building upgrades; and

WHEREAS, PARD does not have available funds to allocate for the repair or replacement of the maintenance complex; and

WHEREAS, Council Resolution No. 20091119-068 established a goal of publicly accessible parks or green space within $\frac{1}{4}$ mile of all urban core residents and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile walking distance outside of the urban core; and

WHEREAS, Imagine Austin Healthy and Green infrastructure priorities dictate public active spaces be accessible to community members of all ages, the expansion of parks as population grows, and protecting environmentally sensitive lands; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 910207 E was passed and approved by Council on February 7, 1991, and placed a proposition on the May 4, 1991 municipal

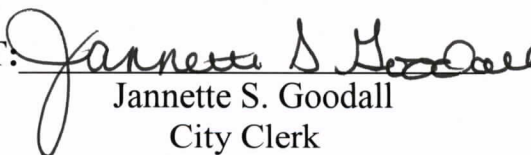
election ballot for voter approval of the conveyance of undeveloped parkland;
NOW, THEREFORE,

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

The City Council directs the City Clerk to prepare an ordinance to order a special municipal election to be held on the November 2, 2021 uniform election date on the question of authorizing the City Council to convey or lease approximately 9 acres of parkland located at 2525 S. Lakeshore Blvd, also known as Central Maintenance Complex (CMC), through a public bidding process. The City would convey or lease the land in exchange for: 1) 49 acres of land with waterfront contiguous to an existing City park or other land the City deems acceptable as parkland that is of equal or greater value than the appraised value of the CMC or cash equivalent or combination of such land and cash or cash equivalent of equal or greater value than the appraised value of the CMC, 2) the cost of or construction of a new maintenance facility to house PARD maintenance staff on existing parkland, and 3) funding for the restoration and remediation of the land currently being used at Fiesta Gardens as a maintenance facility.

ADOPTED: July 29, 2021

ATTEST:


Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk