



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2410, **Agenda Item #:** 87.

7/28/2022

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 14-8 relating to neighborhood block party requirements.

Lead Department

Austin Transportation Department

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact

Prior Council Action:

Resolution No. 20211021-27 - Living Streets - Neighborhood Block Parties, Play Streets, Healthy Streets, was approved on an 11-0 vote, which in part directed staff to make improvements to the Neighborhood Block Parties process to create more accessible and equitable participation opportunities for the community.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

March 10, 2022 - Briefing to the Mobility Committee - No action taken

Additional Backup Information:

In response to Resolution No 20211021-027 and as part of the overall Living Streets Initiative, this amendment and updates to the current City Code regarding Neighborhood Blocks Parties will help achieve the directive given to the City Manager to make block parties easier to organize and more equitably accessible to all residents and neighbors.

Changes include:

- (1) clarification on approval requirements from occupants of properties impacted by the party; and
- (2) expanding opportunities for parties on some residential streets that are not solely abutted by single-family dwellings (e.g., residential streets with multi-family dwellings, schools, places of worship, commercial properties)

Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility, Safety, Culture and Lifelong Learning, Health and Environment