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

PART 1. FINDINGS.

The City Council finds that:

A. For more than five decades, the Renaissance Artists Market, also known as 23rd Street Artists Renaissance Market, (Renaissance Market) at 2300 Guadalupe Street across from The University of Texas at Austin has provided an open-air venue for artisans to sell their products to Austin residents and visitors.

B. When flourishing, the Renaissance Market provides an active, vibrant use in a space that many students walk through enroute to and from their university classes.

C. The global pandemic and other pre-existing conditions have contributed to an environment where virtually no artists are participating in the market, and the space has become home to uses that cause health and safety concerns for surrounding businesses and residents of the area.

D. The City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department assesses a vendor license fee of \$200 per year and provides 50% waivers for students and veterans, full waivers for individuals under 17 or over 60 years of age, and a three-month full waiver for artisans experiencing homelessness.

E. Setting the fee to zero dollars for this Fiscal Year will encourage more vendors to participate, which will increase the sense of safety in that area and increase the visibility of the market.

F. Together with increased marketing, security services, and specified market days each week, setting the fee to zero dollars for this Fiscal Year will enable the City to begin to rebuild what has been one of the longest continuously running open-air arts and crafts markets in the nation.

PART 2. Council amends Exhibit A to Ordinance No. 20220817-005 (*City of Austin Fee and Fine Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2022-2023*) to set the fee at zero dollars for this Fiscal Year attached to this ordinance as Attachment 1.

PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2022.

PASSED AND APPROVED

_____, 2022 § _____
 § _____

Steve Adler
Mayor

APPROVED: _____

Anne L. Morgan
City Attorney

ATTEST: _____

Myrna Rios
City Clerk