**RESOLUTION NO. 20221201-042**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council established a goal of achieving a 50-50 mode-share split by 2039, whereby fifty percent (50%) of commuters would be using modes of transit other than single-occupancy vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the availability of free and/or low-cost parking may, in some circumstances, influence commuters to continue using single-occupancy vehicles in lieu of other forms of transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, as the owner of real property, the City owns and manages thousands of parking spaces throughout the city, including both on-street and off-street facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has a responsibility to manage and operate its buildings and facilities in a fiscally responsible manner, as well as in a manner consistent with the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan and Austin Climate Equity Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to approve a consistent parking management strategy for the management and operation of its parking facilities in a strategic way to achieve the above-stated objectives, while recognizing that the needs and parking rates for individual facilities may diverge, depending on applicable laws, bond requirements, and financial policies; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

The City Manager is directed to draft and recommend a parking management strategy that deploys a centralized management system or strategy to support the overall financial health of our City departments and enterprises, to encourage easy, affordable access for residents using City amenities, and to align

with parking-related goals in the City Council approved policies such as the Austin Climate Equity Plan and Austin Strategic Mobility Plan.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

If the City Manager determines it necessary or advisable, the City Manager is authorized to hire a consultant to study peer cities and to recommend the best mechanism to consolidate the City's parking facilities, parking garages, and assets into one entity with the authority to leverage untapped parking supply and to standardize parking rates based on applicable laws, the most current competitive market conditions, and the need to cover costs for providing these services.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

The City Manager should report back to the City Council by June 1, 2023, on the progress of this Resolution.

**ADOPTED:** December 1, 2022 **ATTEST:** _____

Myrna Rios
City Clerk