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25 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Adjustment respectfully requests the Council
26 adopt an action to create the BAAP; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

28 Council directs the City Manager to create an economic development grant
29 program to fund the BAAP for qualifying residential homestead applicants to pay
30 for City fees assessed for an application for a residential zoning variance or special
31 exception variance.

32 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

- 33 1. The program shall be funded in a pre-determined amount per fiscal
34 year, with a cap on the total amount available per grant application.
- 35 a. The City Manager shall propose a cap on the total amount
36 available per grant application and an overall cap on the total
37 amount available per fiscal year; and
- 38 b. The City Manager shall develop sufficient controls to ensure
39 the money is used in a manner that satisfies the purpose of the
40 program.
- 41 2. The program should cover fees associated with applying for a
42 residential zoning variance, including notification fees.
- 43 3. To qualify for the program, the applicant's household must participate
44 in one of the following:
- 45 a. Medicaid;
- 46 b. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP);

- 47 c. Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP);
- 48 d. Telephone Lifeline Program;
- 49 e. Travis County Comprehensive Energy Assistance Plan
- 50 (CEAP);
- 51 f. Medical Access Program (MAP);
- 52 g. Supplemental Security Income (SSI);
- 53 h. Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH); or
- 54 i. the applicant's household income is less than 200% of the
- 55 income poverty level.
- 56 4. Council directs the City Manager to bring the proposed program,
- 57 implementation plan, and costs and funding sources to Council for its
- 58 consideration by April 10, 2023.
- 59 5. If Council approves the proposed program, Council directs the City
- 60 Manager to bring any ordinances necessary to implement the program
- 61 for Council consideration.

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63 **ADOPTED:** _____, 2023 **ATTEST:** _____

64 Myrna Rios

65 City Clerk

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