

AMENDMENT 1

**Add the following whereas:**

WHEREAS, transportation is responsible for 30% of Austin's air pollution and Austin has a robust Climate Equity Plan, which acknowledges that low-income communities and communities of color are disproportionately impacted by pollution exposure; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Express North, Central, and South Projects will undermine the specific climate goals laid out by the Climate Equity Plan with the additional traffic generated as a result of added roadway capacity.

AMENDMENT 2

**Add the following whereas:**

WHEREAS, the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan prioritizes the preservation of human life in the transportation system, the primary goal states: “Prioritize the protection of human life over all else in the planning, design, and operation of Austin’s transportation network.” Yet the I-35 corridor currently accounts for a disproportionate amount of all traffic fatalities within the City of Austin. Safety for all road users, including people who are walking, biking, and rolling in assistive devices must be prioritized for the safety and well-being of all Austinites.

AMENDMENT 3

**Add the following whereas:**

WHEREAS, the preferred alternative would require acquiring approximately 41.7 acres of additional right-of-way, resulting in 107 displacements to 69 commercial properties, 26 residential properties, 12 vacant properties, and 90 displacements located in EJ Census geographies. The preferred alternative would displace 3 community facilities: the CommUnityCare David Powell Health Center, CommUnityCare Hancock Walk-In Care, and Escuelita del Alma.

**Amend Be it Resolved #5 to read as follows:**

5. Minimize the number of properties impacted by eminent domain and ~~provide as much mitigation as possible for the impacted businesses and residents~~ ensure displaced businesses and residents are effectively compensated to relocate within 1 mile of their current location if they so choose.

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