Joint Bicycle Advisory Council and Pedestrian Advisory Council Recommendation 20231204-006. Recommendation of Gratitude to Christopher Parks for Service as Staff Liaison

WHEREAS the purpose of the Bicycle Advisory Council (BAC) is to advise the City of Austin and other jurisdictions on all matters relating to the use of the bicycle, bicycle infrastructure, and individuals of all ages and abilities who utilize bicycles;

WHEREAS the purpose of the Pedestrian Advisory Council (PAC) is to advise the City of Austin and other jurisdictions on all matters relating to pedestrians, pedestrian infrastructure, and individuals of all ages and abilities who walk;

WHEREAS the BAC and PAC are granted a City of Austin Staff Liaison responsible for facilitating communication between the respective councils and the City of Austin, setting future meetings and agenda items, promoting and overseeing council elections, and ensuring the councils comply with various rules and regulations;

WHEREAS, Christopher Parks served as the City of Austin Staff Liaison for both the PAC and BAC from 2021-2023, a position he held in addition to various full-time positions held throughout the then Austin Transportation Department and pursuing an advanced degree;

WHEREAS, Christopher Parks graduated from James Madison University with a Bachelor of Science in Public Administration and will soon graduate from the University of Texas at Arlington with Masters in Public Administration; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Parks now serves as the Advisor to Assistant City Manager Veronica Briseno where he acts as a liaison between the City Manager's Office, Departments, Council Offices, and other internal and external stakeholders.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the BAC and PAC jointly express their gratitude for Christopher Parks' service as the City of Austin Staff Liaison for the respective councils, positions in which he demonstrated his extensive expertise in policy-making, communications, and managing stakeholder relationships; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BAC and PAC jointly recommend Christopher Parks for any future endeavors in the City of Austin, or beyond.

Date of Approval: 12/4/2023

Record of the vote: Unanimous

Attest: Natalie Leone, Staff Liaison

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