



**Joint Sustainability Committee**  
**RECOMMENDATION 20240228-015**

Date: *February 28, 2024*

Subject: *Great Streets Initiative*

Motion by: *Salinas*

Second: *Davis*

**Recommendation**

*Support of the goals of the Great Streets Initiative that contribute to the Green Infrastructure Resolution.*

**Description of Recommendation to Council**

*The Joint Sustainability Committee recommends that the Austin City Council approve the proposed Great Streets Initiative that minimizes barriers to plant and maintain street trees located in city right-of-way for both public and private projects.*

**Rationale:**

*Prioritizing street trees in city right-of-way aligns with the goals of the Austin Climate Equity plan. Specifically, as it supports the improvement of air quality and temperature reduction within Austin's Urban Core, provides for increased safety and comfort for cyclist and pedestrians and greatly contributes to the sequestration of carbon*

**Vote: 14-0**

**Yes:** *Kaiba White, Rodrigo Leal, Anna Scott, Jon Salinas, Chris Maxwell-Gaines, Christopher Campbell, Haris Qureshi, Larry Franklin, Diana Wheeler, Melissa Rothrock, Amy Noel, Charlotte Davis, Heather Houser, Stephanie Bazan*

**Off Dais:** *Alberta Phillips*

**Absent:** *Yure Suarez, Bertha Delgado*

**Attest:**

*Rohan Lilauwala, Staff Liaison*