



DESIGN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20240226-003

Date: February 28, 2024

Subject: Green Streets Initiative (Green Infrastructure Resolution-Agenda item 39)

Motioned By: Commissioner Luckens Seconded By: Commissioner Wittstruck

Recommendation

Support of the Green Infrastructure Resolution (Agenda Item 39 which advocates prioritizing the planting of street trees within Austin's public rights-of-way.)

Description of Recommendation to Council

The Design Commission recommends that the Austin City Council approve the proposed Green Streets Infrastructure Resolution that minimizes barriers to plant and maintain street trees located in City of Austin public rights-of-way.

Rationale:

The goals and vision of the The Green Infrastructure Resolution align with the vision and shared values (sustainability and a connection to the outdoors) of the City of Austin Urban Design Guidelines. Specifically, it supports the use of trees to enhance the streetscape , provides protection from vehicular traffic and supports the use of plants to enliven urban spaces.

Vote 9-0-1

For: Chair Salinas, Vice Chair Meiners, Commissioner Carroll, Commissioner Gelles, Commissioner Ladner, Commissioner Luckens, Commissioner McKinney, Commissioner Wallace, Commissioner Witstruck

Against:

Abstain: Commissioner Howard

Absent:

Attest:

Jon Salinas, Chair
Design Commission
