



BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Quality of Life Advisory Commission

Recommendation Number: 20241014-009: Adoption of the Equity-Based Preservation Plan

WHEREAS, Austin’s existing plan to guide historic preservation policies, programs, and activities was adopted in 1981; and

WHEREAS, both Austin and the historic preservation field have changed substantially in the past 43 years; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Landmark Commission initiated the development of a new preservation plan for Austin in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the resulting Equity-Based Preservation Plan (the preservation plan) was developed by a community working group with members from across Austin bringing diverse lived experiences as well as professional and community expertise; and

WHEREAS, broad, inclusive outreach and engagement around the draft preservation plan reached more than 2,500 people throughout the city to review and comment on the plan’s goals and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Quality of Life Advisory Commission received a briefing on the draft preservation plan at its September 9, 2024 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the community working group and Historic Landmark Commission revised and finalized the preservation plan based on public feedback; and

WHEREAS, the preservation plan aligns with and furthers the goals of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Quality of Life Advisory Commission, particularly recommendations related to the LGBTQ+ Community in Austin;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, AND QUEER QUALITY OF LIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION that the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Quality of Life Advisory Commission recommends that City Council adopt the Equity-Based Preservation Plan and support its timely implementation.

Date of Approval: October 14, 2024.

Record of the vote: Approved on Commissioner Benson's motion, Commissioner Brown's second, on a 9-0 vote. Chair Neal recused. Commissioner Garza was off the dais. Commissioner Barragán was absent.

Attest: *Ryan Sperling*