RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City desires the design and construction of a transit betterment at Dean Keeton Street and Interstate Highway-35 (IH-35) associated with the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) (IH-35) Capital Express Central Project; and

WHEREAS, the betterment would provide a dedicated center-running transit lane through the reconstructed, at-grade IH-35 frontage-road intersection at Dean Keeton Street; and

WHEREAS, the improvement is intended to accommodate transit operations through the reconstructed intersection and support the City's transit and multimodal transportation objectives outlined in the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan; and

WHEREAS, TxDOT has requested a formal funding commitment from the City before proceeding with updates to the project design and incorporating the betterment into its next construction bid package; and

WHEREAS, the Council, therefore, desires to provide a firm commitment to fund the Dean Keeton Street at IH-35 transit betterment associated with TxDOT's IH-35 Capital Express Central Project in the amount of $1,000,000; and

WHEREAS, any costs exceeding $1,000,000 will require additional Council action; and

WHEREAS, this funding commitment is distinct from an action authorizing negotiation and execution of the anticipated future Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) between the parties for the project; and

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WHEREAS, the City is not being asked to provide funding to TxDOT immediately; rather, Council is being asked to establish the City's commitment to provide funding, so that TxDOT can advance the design and construction packaging process; and

WHEREAS, staff will return to Council later to request authority to negotiate and execute the AFA with TxDOT closer to when the funding is required; and

WHEREAS, funding in the amount of $1,000,000 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Transportation and Public Works; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

Council declares its commitment to provide funds for the Dean Keeton Street at IH-35 transit betterment associated with the Texas Department of Transportation's IH-35 Capital Express Central Project in the amount of $1,000,000

ADOPTED: _____, 2026 **ATTEST:** _____
Erika Brady
City Clerk

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