

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE NAME OF THE AUSTIN CITY HALL PLAZA TO THE DAN H. DAVIDSON AUSTIN CITY HALL PLAZA, AND WAIVING REQUIREMENTS UNDER CHAPTER 14-1 OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING THE NAMING OF A CITY FACILITY.

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

PART 1. The Council finds that:

- (A) Dan H. Davidson was born Aug. 6, 1934, in Panhandle, Texas, and grew up in New Mexico; and
- (B) Dan H. Davidson earned a Bachelor of Science degree in horticulture and parks management from Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas, in 1959; and
- (C) Dan H. Davidson began his 22-year public sector career in 1959 with the City of San Antonio rising in the ranks to Chief of Advance Planning; and
- (D) Dan H. Davidson served as Assistant City Manager in St. Petersburg, Fla., from 1961-1969; and
- (E) Dan H. Davidson served as Austin's Deputy City Manager beginning in 1969 until being appointed Acting City Manager in April 1972; and
- (F) Dan H. Davidson served as Austin's City Manager from August 1972 to August 1981, the longest tenure of any City Manager up to the current time; and
- (G) Dan H. Davidson continued his commitment to public service, even after leaving government, with his time, energy and leadership for such groups as the Capitol Area Council of Boy Scouts, the Rotary Club of Austin, the Austin Area Chamber of Commerce and the Austin Steam Train Association; and

- 1 (H) Dan H. Davidson steadily guided the City of Austin through a tumultuous
2 era of expanding population growth and expanding demands on public
3 services; and
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5 (I) Dan H. Davidson had the vision to assemble a former lumber yard site and
6 adjacent downtown blocks as City-owned land to serve this community's
7 needs; and
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9 (J) Dan H. Davidson's vision became the site of Austin City Hall and Plaza at
10 301 W. Second St.
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12 **PART 2.** The Austin City Hall Plaza is hereby renamed the "Dan H. Davidson Austin
13 City Hall Plaza."
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15 **PART 3.** The Council waives applicable requirements of Chapter 14-1 of the City Code
16 related to naming the city structure known as the Austin City Hall Plaza to the "Dan H.
17 Davidson Austin City Hall Plaza."
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19 **PART 4.** This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2007.

20 **PASSED AND APPROVED**
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24 _____, 2007 §
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26 Will Wynn
27 Mayor
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29 **APPROVED:** _____
30 David Allan Smith
31 City Attorney
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33 **ATTEST:** _____
34 Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk