RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Austin approved \$25 million for the Waller Creek Tunnel in the 1998 bond package and whereas City Council created a tax increment finance zone in 2007 to provide the remaining funding required for the design and construction of the tunnel; and

WHEREAS, the Waller Creek Citizen Advisory Committee was created in 2007 to provide citizen leadership, direction, and oversight in the creation and implementation of the Waller Creek master plan and tunnel construction; and

WHEREAS, the Waller Creek Citizen Advisory Committee passed a resolution on January 24, 2008 providing design recommendations related to the current design needs of the joint venture; and

WHEREAS, these elements include the tunnel inlet at Waterloo Park, the outlet at Lady Bird Lake, and the base water flow in Waller Creek; and

WHEREAS, The Waller Creek Citizen Advisory Committee reviewed and heard public input on these issues over a significant period of time, and passed a resolution on January 24, 2008 providing design recommendations related to the current design needs of the joint venture; **NOW, THERFORE,**

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

The City Council hereby directs the City Manager to provide the joint venture instruction on the character of the inlet and outlet structures and base flow based on the recommendations listed in Waller Creek Citizen Advisory Committee resolution. The tunnel project design and engineering should minimize exclusionary uses, provide a variety of mutually compatible uses along the creek corridor, include the conservation of riparian habitat, and promote the establishment of other native flora and fauna by use of natural materials and native landscaping, while enhancing the potential for economic redevelopment.

ADOPTED:_____, 2008 **ATTEST:**__

Shirley A. Gentry City Clerk

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