

MEMORANDUM

TO: Marc Ott, City Manager

FROM: Greg Canally, Deputy Chief Financial Officer

DATE: December 18, 2008

SUBJECT: Sustainability Practices for Organized Events, Parades, and Festivals

Item # 75 on the December 18, 2008 Council Agenda is to approve a resolution directing the City Manager to develop policies regarding sustainability practices for organized events, parades, and festivals in the city and to report recommendations to City Council in 90 days.

The potential fiscal and staffing impact for providing work on these sustainability practices for organized events is unknown. Currently, there are no resources or money budgeted for this effort. At this time, it is anticipated that staff from several City departments will be involved in this effort – Austin Energy (AE), Austin Police Department (APD), Solid Waste Services Department (SWSD), and Watershed Protection and Development Review Department (WPDRD).

As the work on this item is completed by City staff and other key stakeholders, the City Manager will refer these practices to the appropriate Boards and Commissions and return to Council within ninety days to report on the details. Any identified costs or resources will be included in these details.