Neighborhood Planning & Zoning RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 32

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the City's continued membership in the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG)in an amount not to exceed \$73,618.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Neighborhood Planning and Zoning Department.

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Prior Council Action: May 8, 2008: Council approved the City's continued membership in CAPCOG in an amount not to exceed \$72,684.

The Neighborhood Planning and Zoning Department is requesting approval of the City's continued membership in the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG).

CAPCOG was organized in 1970 to serve local governments in its ten-county region. The ten-county region includes Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis, and Williamson Counties.

The focus of CAPCOG is to serve as advocate, planner and coordinator of initiatives that, when undertaken on a regional basis, can be more effective and efficient. Examples of these initiatives include emergency services, elderly assistance, law enforcement training, criminal justice planning, solid waste reduction, regional

planning, transportation planning, infrastructure development, and housing and economic development.

Approval of this resolution will extend the City's membership through 2009.