WHEREAS, the City of Austin receives funding from several sources to finance affordable housing projects including general obligation bonds, community development block grants, and other federal and state grants; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 Austin Housing Market Study determined that those earning below \$20,000 in annual income are most at risk of homelessness and showed the greatest need for rental housing among residents with incomes at or below 30 percent of the median family income (MFI); and

WHEREAS, in January 2010, the Corporation for Supportive Housing analyzed the need for permanent supportive housing and made a recommendation to the Austin/Travis County Reentry Roundtable, Ending Community Homelessness Coalition, and the Mayor's Mental Health Task Force Monitoring Committee that 350 permanent supportive housing units be constructed over the next four years;

WHEREAS, in March 2010, the City Council passed a resolution directing the City Manager to give priority to funding for permanent supportive housing that targets the most vulnerable populations, those residents with annual incomes at or below 30 percent MFI, but continue to fund affordable home ownership, home repair, and rental projects;

WHEREAS, in order to achieve this goal it is necessary to integrate the work of the Director of Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, the Director of Health and Human Services, and community stakeholders to develop a comprehensive strategy, based on information gathered on best practices in other cities, that will include both the construction and operation of 350 permanent supportive housing units over the next four years; and

WHEREAS, the City Council was briefed on the recommended permanent supportive housing strategy at the City Council meeting on September 30 2010; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

The City Council hereby adopts the City of Austin Permanent Supportive Housing Strategy as a working document.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager shall facilitate the creation of a Leadership Committee on Supportive Housing Strategy to include, but not to be limited to, designated representatives from the Ending Community Homelessness Coalition; the City of Austin; Travis County; Seton; the St. David's Foundation; Central Health; Austin Travis County

Integral Care; the Housing Authority of the City of Austin; and the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

Representatives from additional entities not listed should be considered to serve on the Leadership Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The Leadership Committee shall work together to review and analyze the report given to Council; suggest revisions as needed; recommend a comprehensive implementation strategy for the City Council to consider for action; and provide Council with quarterly updates on their progress beginning in May 2011.

APPROVED:	, 2011	ATTEST:
	·	Shirley A. Gentry
		City Clerk