

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2011, the Austin City Council amended Chapter 12-3 of the Code to extend the hours of paid parking for spaces in the downtown area in an effort to increase turnover and availability of on-street parking spaces near downtown businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Austin Transportation Department anticipates implementation of the new hours for paid parking on September 6, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the community has raised many concerns regarding the proposed hours and boundaries for the extension of paid parking meters, including time limitations, costs to downtown service workers, volunteers, and musicians, and lack of available alternative transportation options; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

That the City Manager is directed to delay the implementation of City Code Section 12-3-5 as it pertains to extending the hours of paid parking for spaces located within the area bounded by Lady Bird Lake, IH-35, 10th Street, and Lamar Boulevard until January 1, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the City Manager is directed to conduct a public process to allow stakeholders the opportunity to provide input and express concerns pertaining to the extension of paid parking hours in the downtown area. Stakeholders shall include, but not be limited to: representatives of downtown businesses; bars; clubs; retailers; restaurants; Capitol Metro; the faith community; non-profit organizations; musicians; workers; and residents. The City Manager

shall report back to the City Council with recommendations that incorporate community concerns no later than November 1, 2011, in an effort to meet the goal of increased turnover and availability of downtown parking spaces near downtown businesses while mitigating the impacts on the community.

ADOPTED: _____, 2011

ATTEST: _____
Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk