RESOLUTION NO. 20111020-058

WHEREAS, in October of 2009, City of Austin staff and a consultant team lead by Wallace Roberts & Todd (WRT) began collecting public input for the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, City staff and WRT released a draft of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan on September 26, 2011 for public review and comment; and

WHEREAS, widespread community engagement and support is necessary for the successful adoption and implementation of the new comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council established the Comprehensive Plan Citizens Advisory Task Force to work with the consultant team and City staff on the ongoing development of the comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Charter defines that the Planning Commission is responsible for reviewing and making recommendations to the City Council regarding the adoption and implementation of the comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, both the Planning Commission and the Citizens Advisory Task Force discussed the need for a collaborative effort, working within their existing adopted structures, to review the draft of the comprehensive plan and receive public feedback; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

That the Planning Commission and the Citizens Advisory Task Force are directed to collaborate in overseeing or carrying out the following tasks and to provide recommendations to the Comprehensive Planning and Transportation Committee of the City Council:

a. review the action items developed during the working group process for the comprehensive plan elements and make recommendations to ensure those ideas have been adequately incorporated into the draft comprehensive plan; and

b. identify potential inconsistencies between existing plans, including appendices of the current adopted comprehensive plan, and the draft comprehensive plan; and

c. provide community members an opportunity to request additional information and data for analysis of the draft comprehensive plan and help identify gaps in data analysis, if such gaps exist; and

d. complete an analysis of the Preferred Growth Scenario Map based on the sustainability indicators used to compare the Alternate Future Scenarios maps; and

e. develop a method of tracking how the recommended action items relate to the policy recommendations within the draft comprehensive plan to provide additional insight on how the action items will advance the goals of the Vision Statement; and

f. review and offer recommendations on amendments enhancing the performance measures and benchmarks within the draft comprehensive plan; and

g. recommend a schedule for the completion of the comprehensive plan, including adequate time for review and discussion by the boards and commissions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the City Manager is directed to support the Planning Commission and the Citizens Advisory Task Force in meeting the responsibilities described above and to serve as a resource in providing the pertinent information necessary to successfully complete the comprehensive planning process as expeditiously as possible.

ADOPTED: October 20, 2011 **ATTEST:** Shirley A. Gentry

Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk