

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the Austin City Council is committed to conducting government in an open, inclusive, and accessible manner; and

WHEREAS, regularly scheduled City Council meetings occur on weekdays, when many Austin residents must be at work; and

WHEREAS, democracy is best served by participation of people in their government; and

WHEREAS, broader public participation enhances an elected body's ability to make fair and responsive decisions; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

The City Council directs the City Manager to coordinate with the City Clerk and the City Attorney to schedule a Special Called Meeting on one Saturday in 2012 for a three-hour Citizens Forum.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That after the meeting, the City Manager report to the City Council the actual costs of the event so it may consider scheduling more in the future.

ADOPTED: _____, 2012 **ATTEST:** _____

Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk