

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 20111103-038, previously passed by council, directed the City Manager to prepare recommendations and provide funding strategies whereby the City Of Austin could financially participate in the establishment of a Social Enterprises Complex, based on a proposal from Southwest Key Programs; and

WHEREAS, Govalle/Johnston Terrace, where the Social Enterprises Complex would be located, is an area of the City of Austin in dire need of targeted programs to provide pathways to employment and education; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a Social Enterprises Complex will allow Southwest Key to double the number of community members served through: a workforce resource center, a computer technology center, job-readiness and life skills training; and job coaching and advanced training that includes vocational certification; and

WHEREAS, in a memorandum from city staff, the only available funding source to address council's request would be an allocation from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund may be appropriated to fund capital or other one-time costs, but would require council action in order to allocate funding from the reserve fund to the Health and Human Services Department budget so that the department could contract with Southwest Key to provide funding; and

WHEREAS, Southwest Key has secured the involvement of local partners, including: Workforce Solutions, Austin Community College, Advanced Micro Devices, Capital One and the Austin Area Urban League; and

WHEREAS, Southwest Key has raised in excess of \$2.7 million toward the completion of the Social Enterprise Complex; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this council to allocate one-time funds to Southwest Key to establish the Social Enterprises Complex in the amount of \$250,000; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

The City Manager is directed to prepare a budget amendment for the April 5, 2012 council meeting transferring \$250,000 from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund to the Health and Human Services Department Budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager is directed to begin negotiations with Southwest Key Programs to establish contracting principles and performance measures so that funds can be allocated as quickly as possible.

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

Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk