

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Austin continues to lead in the adoption of innovative strategies related to the use of electric vehicles; and

WHEREAS, benefits of plug-in electric vehicles include ending reliance on petroleum, better air quality with lower emissions, and reduced fuel costs for households; and

WHEREAS, Austin Energy received federal funding and created the Texas River Cities Plug-in Electric Vehicle (PEV) Initiative to assess the existing infrastructure and plan for future needs critical to successful PEV adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Texas River Cities PEV Initiative found that over 28% of PEV owners charge their vehicles at public charging stations; and

WHEREAS, there is no current ordinance or towing mechanism available that allows for the City to address non-PEVs parking in some of the dedicated public PEV parking spots; and

WHEREAS, without an enforcement mechanism there is the potential that dedicated public PEV parking spots may be occupied with non-PEVs, thereby limiting charging capabilities for PEV owners; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

The City Manager is directed to work with citizen stakeholders and the Urban Transportation Commission to develop a recommendation for resolving the issue of non-electric vehicles parked at electric vehicle charging stations on public property.

The City Manager shall report back to the City Council with
recommendations by April 15, 2014.

ADOPTED: _____, 2014 **ATTEST:** _____
Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk