

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Austin is a critical partner and community portal to the Central Texas technology corridor; and

WHEREAS, Austin Technology Council (ATC) is the region's most significant non-profit technology trade and service organization and consists of 200 companies that include 60,000 employees; and

WHEREAS, the City and ATC are partners in making the City a top tier innovation destination; and

WHEREAS, the City is positioned to lead global competition in developing a public private partnership to sustain and enhance the economic benefits of innovation and technology ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, technology is a key contributor to the City's local economic development efforts; and

WHEREAS, strengthening, integrating, and leveraging the City's technology ecosystem is critical in the development and pursuit of technology capital and talent; and

WHEREAS, the mission of ATC is to support the City's technology sector by enhancing education, community, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, ATC has assembled a network of mentor, education, policy, and technology culture partners to support ATC's mission in a partnership with the City; and

WHEREAS, ATC and the City have an existing annual agreement; and

WHEREAS, ATC has proposed significantly enhanced, data driven education and community engagement services (the Austin Tech Partnership) for development in 2014; and

WHEREAS, ATC will secure private funds for the Austin Tech Partnership; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the need and potential for long term resource and community development; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

The City Manager is directed to explore the expansion of the existing annual agreement with ATC to include the Austin Tech Partnership for 2014 and future budget years and to develop performance measures and evaluate program costs for the Austin Tech Partnership.

ADOPTED:_____, 2014 **ATTEST:**_____

Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk