RESOLUTION NO. <u>20140306-026</u>

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; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a Saturday meeting in 2012, and individuals had an opportunity to come and address Council Members; 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 2014 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: ______March 6 _____, 2014 ATTESTED: ______Jon Case Jannette S. Goodall

City Clerk