RESOLUTION NO. 20131107-046

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has developed regulations to allow mobile food vendors to operate and thrive as small businesses; and

WHEREAS, mobile food vendor regulations have allowed vendors to develop skills necessary to move into permanent restaurant establishments; and

WHEREAS, the City currently allows pop-up retail in an effort to make use of underutilized retail space during peak demand times of year; and

WHEREAS, throughout the City there are vacant or under-used commercial properties which could be activated with appropriate mobile retail; and

WHEREAS, Austin is a city where a diverse group of entrepreneurs is interested in operating mobile retail units, but are currently unable due to lack of regulations allowing this type of business; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

The City Council initiates amendments to the Land Development Code to allow mobile retail sale of goods in appropriate commercial zoning categories and directs the City Manager to process the amendments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The amendments should include appropriate measures for accessibility and compatibility with adjacent land uses or zoning districts.

ADOPTED: November 7, 2013

Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk