

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the Save Our Springs Initiative regulations (Land Development Code Chapter 25-8, Subchapter A, Article 13 “SOS”) are vital to protecting the Hill Country’s rich network of aquifers and to Austin’s long-term water management plan; and

WHEREAS, alongside the City’s vitally important commitment to SOS and longstanding tradition of environmental stewardship, there is also a need for flexibility and consideration of the unique challenges and opportunities that development of particular tracts can present; and

WHEREAS, St. Catherine of Siena Church, located at 4800 Convict Hill, has an existing one story building that was constructed in the 1980s and is located in the Barton Springs Zone; and

WHEREAS, in order to redevelop St. Catherine of Siena while not expanding impervious cover and improving environmental controls, site specific variances and amendments to the Land Development Code, including SOS, would be required; **NOW THEREFORE**,

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

The City Council initiates site specific variances and amendments to the Land Development Code, including Chapter 25-8, Subchapter A, Article 13 (*Save Our Springs Initiative*), as necessary to address proposed redevelopment and expansion of the St. Catherine of Siena Church, located at 4800 Convict Hill Road.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager is directed to work with representatives of St. Catherine of Siena Church to minimize departure from code requirements and maximize environmental protection and return to Council with an ordinance that:

- a. allows no increase in the existing amount of impervious cover on the site;
- b. if feasible, decreases the amount of impervious cover on the site; and
- c. provides water quality treatment consistent with City Code Section 25-8-26 (*Redevelopment Exception in the Barton Springs Zone*) for all redeveloped areas and to the extent feasible for the entire site.

ADOPTED: _____, 2014

ATTEST: _____

Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk