RESOLUTION NO. 20141211-109

WHEREAS, the City of Austin seeks to provide a high quality of life for all of its residents; and

WHEREAS, noise in urban environments can have a significant impact on residents' quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the music venue assistance loan program was established in 2012 as a microloan program designed to assist qualifying music venues with implementation of sound mitigation devices and technologies for improving the acoustic environment inside and outside of the venue in an effort to reduce the sound levels that impact nearby residents; and

WHEREAS, the sound characteristics in an urban environment can be complex and a better understanding may be possible with more sophisticated monitoring equipment than a simple decibel meter; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has piloted the use of noise monitoring to do spot surveys during major events; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

The City Manager is authorized to use funds, not to exceed \$60,000, from the Music Venue Assistance Loan program for a noise monitoring system for 12

months with the purpose of performing a comprehensive assessment of urban noise levels including spot surveys, compliance monitoring, or complaint assessment.

ADOPTED: December 11, 2014 ATTEST

City Clerk