RESOLUTION NO. 20141211-112

WHEREAS, the City of Austin seeks to address transportation mobility with a range of available transportation options; and

WHEREAS, Automated and Connected Vehicle (AC-V) technology is an emerging field of transportation innovation that promises to improve safety, fuel efficiency and convenience; and

WHEREAS, the City’s economic development strategy has led to a strong local economy with technology as one of its primary industry pillars and advanced transportation technology as an emerging focus area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has recently joined the Accelerate Texas initiative that works explicitly towards creating a pathway by which public infrastructure owners and private firms seeking to develop AC-V technology can collaborate on bringing these technologies to broader public adoption; and

WHEREAS, many infrastructure design and operations changes may be necessary to be supportive of AC-V technology; and

WHEREAS, potential action with a direct impact on AC-V technology may take place during the 84th Texas State Legislature, and statewide there are public and private infrastructure owners that are seeking to advance the discussion of regulatory adaptation to AC-V technology; and NOW THEREFORE,

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

Austin establishes the goal of becoming a leader in the public infrastructure adaptation of AC-V technology.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager is directed to report to City Council no later than 90 days following the close of the 84th Texas State Legislature on policy and infrastructure adaptation opportunities that support and advance AC-V’s in Central Texas, as well as potential funding and partnerships for study and implementation.

ADOPTED: December 11, 2014

ATTEST: Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk