AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Mr. Stephen Oliver
City of Austin Planning Commission
505 Barton Springs Road
Austin, Texas 78704

Dear Mr. Oliver:

On May 23, 2016, the Austin ISD Board of Trustees voted to pass a resolution in support of amendments to the land development code that is up for consideration at tonight's meeting. This resolution supports that requirements for open enrollment charter schools be no less restrictive than the requirements laid out in the current MOU between the District and City for land development.

Thank you for your consideration of this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Kendall Pace

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President, Austin ISD Board of Trustees

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RESOLUTION REGARDING PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE RELATED TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, the City of Austin (the "City") Land Development Code (LDC) provides numerous exemptions from site development regulations for "public primary and secondary educational facilities" unless the school district has entered into an interlocal agreement with the City setting forth the standards for the development of public schools; and

WHEREAS, the Austin Independent School District (the "District") and the City entered into that certain School District Land Development Standards Agreement dated September 22, 1994 (as amended, the "LDSA") relating to the development of school sites by the District in the City; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Education Code, Section 12.103 states that "an open enrollment charter school is subject to federal and state laws and rules governing public schools and to municipal zoning ordinances governing public schools"; and

WHEREAS, the City is considering an amendment to the LDC which would subject open enrollment charter schools to certain development regulations under the LDC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Findings**. The Board finds the foregoing recitations are true and correct and incorporates the same herein as findings of fact.

2. **Resolution**. That the Board of Trustees urges the Austin City Council to adopt amendments to the City's Land Development Code implementing land development regulations for open enrollment charter schools that are no less restrictive than development activities of the District under the requirements of the LDSA.

The Board of Trustees further instructs the District administration to take such actions as the administration deems necessary or proper to carry out the resolution set forth above.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Austin Independent School District held on the 23rd day of May, 2016, at which a quorum was found to be present, said meeting held pursuant to notice and called in accordance with applicable law, said notice having been duly posted as required by the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, the above Resolution having been prepared in written form prior to said meeting, and said Resolution being effective immediately upon adoption.

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President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Julie A. Cowan

Secretary, Board of Trustees