

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) owns parkland at 5100 East 51st Street, which includes ten (10) parcels not currently zoned Public (P) district; and

WHEREAS, PARD purchased these parcels in 2002 and 2003 with bond funds approved by City of Austin residents in 1998 for the continuing acquisition and development of parkland in areas throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, the intention of purchasing these parcels was to add to the City's green space for infill parks, destination parks, preserves, and land along creeks for future recreation and leisure uses including greenways and trails; and

WHEREAS, in the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, quality of life, healthy living, and conservation and environment policies depend on the need to expand and preserve the City's green infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the East Martin Luther King Neighborhood Plan Contact Team has requested a hike and bike trail, including a section of Little Walnut Creek Park, in its 2002 Planning Capital Improvement Project list; and

WHEREAS, the rezoning of these parcels to Public (P) district will consolidate the entire 205 acres and enhance the prominence of Little Walnut Creek Greenbelt for future parkland development in District One; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

The Council initiates the rezoning and future land use map amendment of these ten (10) parcels of land with Property ID Numbers 545997, 212205, 212204, 212203, 212202, 209781, 209780, 209779, 209782, and 207919, located at 5100

East 51st Street and known as Little Walnut Creek Greenbelt, and directs the City Manager to process the rezoning and amendment cases so these parcels are zoned Public (P) district.

ADOPTED: _____, 2017 **ATTEST:** _____

Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk

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