RESOLUTION NO. 20180322-061

WHEREAS, a Homestead Preservation Reinvestment Zone (HPRZ) is a modified tax increment reinvestment zone designated by a Homestead Preservation District (HPD), permitted by Texas Local Government Code Chapter 373A, whose funds are dedicated solely for affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, in January 2007, Austin City Council established HPD A; and

WHEREAS, in December 2015, Austin City Council established HPRZ #1 to fund HPD A and set the increment at 10% in the zone to be spent on the City’s Rental Housing Developer Assistance Program, the Acquisition and Development Program, and the Home Repair Loan Program; and

WHEREAS, HPRZ #1 generated $253,488 in funds in Fiscal Year 2017 and $464,783 in Fiscal Year 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Austin Strategic Housing Blueprint calls for Homestead Preservation Districts and Tax Increment Financing to be some of the tools used to help develop 47,717 units over the next 10 years; and

WHEREAS, an increase in the increment percentage would generate more funding for affordable housing programs in alignment with the Austin Strategic Housing Blueprint; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Planning Committee at its January 23, 2018 meeting voted unanimously to recommend to the full Council to direct staff to bring information on different scenarios showing what percentage of tax increment in HPRZ #1 should be set aside
to result in creation of different numbers of affordable units by 2030 to the full Council for consideration; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

The City Manager is directed to bring to City Council different scenarios showing what percentages of tax increment in HPRZ #1 should be set aside to result in the creation of different numbers of affordable units and varying levels of affordability by 2030.

ADOPTED: March 22, 2018

ATTEST: Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk