

**ORDINANCE NO.**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE IMAGINE AUSTIN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY ADOPTING THE NORTH SHOAL CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

**PART 1. FINDINGS.**

- (A) In June 2012, the City Council adopted the “Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.”
- (B) Article X, Section 5, of the City Charter authorizes the City Council to adopt by ordinance additional elements of a comprehensive plan that are necessary or desirable to establish and implement policies for growth, development, and beautification, including neighborhood, community, or area-wide plans.
- (C) In August through October of 2016, surveys were distributed to residents in the neighborhood planning area, and subsequent meetings were held with the City of Austin Long Range Planning staff and homeowners, renters, business owners, non-profit organizations, and commercial/investment property owners to prepare a neighborhood plan. The City Council directed the Planning Commission to consider the plan for the area in a 2014 resolution. During the planning process, the Long Range Planning staff gathered information and solicited public input through the following means:
- (1) collection and analysis of existing data;
  - (2) neighborhood planning area inventory;
  - (3) surveys;
  - (4) small group discussions and forum;
  - (5) community workshops; and
  - (6) open houses.
- (D) The North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Plan recommends action by the Neighborhood Plan Contact Team, the City, and other agencies to preserve and improve community character, plan for growth, and establish a complete community. The vision and goals of the North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Plan are as follows:
- (1) Community Character

1 The plan establishes a community character vision and policies for  
2 each of seven distinct character areas within the overall planning area.  
3 The plan also establishes a Future Land Use Map for the area.

4 (2) Complete Community Goals

5 (a) Mobility and Connectivity:

- 6 1. Improve connectivity for pedestrians and bicyclists.
- 7 2. Make streets safer for all.

8 (b) Housing Opportunity:

9 Maintain a balance of housing types for a variety of  
10 household sizes and incomes.

11 (c) Environment:

- 12 1. Enhance and increase open space and greenery  
13 throughout the neighborhood.
- 14 2. Protect environmental quality and reduce the effects of  
15 flooding.

16 (d) Quality of Life:

- 17 1. Maintain and add quality public facilities and services.
- 18 2. Provide a diverse range of shops and services for area  
19 residents and visitors.
- 20 3. Provide quality jobs in commercial areas so residents  
21 can walk or bike to work; continue to provide job  
22 opportunities along Shoal Creek Boulevard.
- 23 4. Promote health throughout the neighborhood by  
24 promoting active lifestyles, improving access to  
25 recreational spaces and opportunities, and increasing  
26 the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists.
- 27 5. Encourage a sense of community.
- 28 6. Provide safety and maintenance.

29 **PART 2. ADOPTION AND DIRECTION.**

- 30 (A) Appendix G of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan is amended to add  
31 the North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Plan as an attached small area plan, as

