RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the mission of the Waller Creek Conservancy is to design, build, operate, and maintain a chain of extraordinary parks along a restored Waller Creek, with a critical focus on engaging the community in order to create a place for the benefits of all Austinites; and

WHEREAS, the completion of the Waller Creek chain of parks will have transformative benefits to downtown and the entire Austin community; and

WHEREAS, a design plan, Joint Development Agreement, and funding mechanism are in place to successfully complete the Waller Creek chain of parks; and

WHEREAS, the Waller Creek Citizen's Advisory Committee, a 19 member group who represented the breadth of the community, conducted successful and inclusive work that led to the creation of the Waller Creek Conservancy in 2010 and the Waller Creek Local Government Corporation in 2011; and

WHEREAS, the current Waller Creek Local Government Corporation is in charge of overseeing the implementation of financing, design, construction, maintenance and operation of certain public improvements located within or around the District; and

WHEREAS, larger community representation is vital to the collaboration and creation of a project aimed at serving all citizens of Austin; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The Council directs the City Manager to explore the expansion of the Waller Creek Local Government Corporation to ensure sufficient amounts of philanthropic representation, financial oversight and integrity, ethnic and geographic diversity, and community representation reflective of a project of this size, by adding community members, such as those in the Quality of Life Commissions, Parks and Recreation Board, and the Environmental Board to assure that design and funding mechanisms will be implemented fairly and ensure a positive impact to all citizens of Austin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Council directs the City Manager to bring forward recommendations for council consideration by October 4, 2018.

ADOPTED:

2018 ATTEST:

Jannette S. Goodall City Clerk