



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Mayor and Council Members

**FROM:** Rosie Truelove, Director  
Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department

**DATE:** February 22, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Update to Resolution No. 20180215-050, Right of First Refusal Cooperative Purchase Policies

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Neighborhood Housing and Community Development will be extending the response deadline regarding Resolution No. [20180215-050](#), which directed the City Manager to research the successes and limitations of “right of first refusal” cooperative purchase policies that have been enacted in the United States and to analyze any operational or legal issues associated with those policies if applied to a property subject to City Code Chapter 4-14 (*Registration of Rental Property*), also known as a “Repeat Offender Property.”

While significant progress has been made toward completing the research regarding this directive, an extension is needed to ensure due diligence in crafting a final response that encompasses a complex set of policies, as well as legal limitations within the state of Texas, communicated by City Law. Staff’s comprehensive recommendations on the [Austin Strategic Housing Blueprint](#) implementation and funding strategy were presented to City Council Housing and Planning Committee on February 12, 2019. Following up on the issues and concerns raised in that meeting, staff will continue to formulate a final response with an expected completion date of May 30, 2019.

cc: Spencer Cronk, City Manager  
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