

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Resolution No. 960425-84 on April 25, 1996 dedicating parking meter revenue in excess of the base level Fiscal Year 1996 costs to Great Streets improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted by Resolution No. 000518-92 on May 18, 2000, the *Downtown Austin Design Guidelines*, which presented a vision of a safe, dense, vibrant downtown Austin with "Great Streets" as a key component; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, in Resolution No. 001214-76 on December 14, 2000, directed the City Manager to make recommendations for streetscape design and transportation operations in the downtown; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, in Resolution No. 001214-76 on December 14, 2000, also directed the City Manager to finalize and implement the Downtown Great Streets Master Plan to ensure that each emerging project throughout the downtown have consistent streetscape and public right-of-way improvements, alignment of curb faces and travel lanes, coordinated locations for street-lighting poles (both with and without traffic signals), and other public right-of-way infrastructure elements; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 021205-66A was approved on December 5, 2002 by the City Council to implement, subject to availability of resources and funds, the Downtown Great Streets Master Plan streetscape standards to ensure that downtown has a consistent look and feel; and

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2003 the City Council amended the Fiscal Year 2002-03 fee schedule to increase parking meter fees from \$.075/hr. to \$1.00/hr (Ordinance 030403-26); and

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2003 the Council approved Resolution No. 030612-76 allocating 30% of the parking meter revenue gathered within a certain area of downtown to the Downtown Great Streets Parking Meter Revenue Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Great Streets Development Program attached as Exhibit A will facilitate the installation of attractive and functional streetscapes in the downtown area, which is a public purpose of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin continues to search for ways to enhance and revitalize Downtown; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

1. The above recitals are adopted as findings.
2. The Council approves the Great Streets Development Program (attached as Exhibit A), to aid projects with the cost of streetscape improvements consistent with the "Great Streets" concepts and design recommendations.
3. The City Manager is directed to implement and administer the Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager is directed to consider Great Streets Streetscape Standards when designing downtown CIP development projects, subject to availability of resources and funds.

ADOPTED: _____, 2004

ATTEST: _____
Shirley A. Brown
City Clerk

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