RESOLUTION NO. 040729-77

WHEREAS, the City of Austin wishes to become a leader in clean energy development and technology, and to be known as the Clean Energy Capital of the world; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for more research and development in the reduction of the costs of clean energy in the electric, building, and transportation sectors, and in the cost of renewable energy in general; and

WHEREAS, the transition to a hydrogen economy will require the development of new technologies and policies; and

WHEREAS, Austin can demonstrate the effective and economic use of these technologies; and

WHEREAS, a clean energy research and development center would serve to attract businesses and economic development to the Austin region; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the City Manager is directed to investigate the feasibility of a Clean Energy Research and Development Center in Austin.

ADOPTED: July 29, 2004 ATTEST: Murley

Shirley A. Brown

City Clerk