

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, the Austin Regional Intelligence Center (ARIC) seeks to improve the sharing of information and intelligence through a collaboration between local, state, and federal government agencies and entities; and

WHEREAS, the ARIC represents a new and largely untested approach to law enforcement and security with few established models or practices and little specific guidance in statutes or regulations; and

WHEREAS, the existing Regional Intelligence Centers differ substantially in policies and operations and have often been the subject of criticism and concern by citizens, community organizations, and government agencies such as the U.S. Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, the ARIC will require a high level of collaboration between diverse entities and the development of many new policies and practices to govern privacy, information sharing, criminal investigations, protection of constitutional rights, and other operations; and

WHEREAS, clarity, transparency, and accountability are essential to developing responsible policy to support effective law enforcement efforts and promote public confidence; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Commission is the body designated by the Austin City Council to provide a venue for full public consideration of

public safety policies and projects from community and government stakeholders and the citizens of Austin; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

The City Council directs the City Manager to bring forward the Austin Regional Intelligence Center Privacy Policy and the Interlocal Agreement between participating entities to the Public Safety Commission for review and recommendations, prior to the Agreement or related items being introduced to City Council, including but not limited to recommendations regarding:

- operations,
- collection limitations,
- enforcement of regulations,
- oversight procedures,
- internal and external auditing procedures, and
- reporting requirements.

ADOPTED: _____, 2010 **ATTEST:** _____

Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk