

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the State of Texas and the City of Austin have enjoyed better unemployment rates when compared to the national average; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin performs consistently better than both the state and national averages when unemployment rates are calculated; and

WHEREAS, Austin's unemployment rates, while better by comparison to the state and national average, has remained at or near seven percent for most of this calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin regularly carries vacancies from one fiscal year to the next when positions are not filled; and

WHEREAS, given the elevated unemployment rates in Austin, the City of Austin should be taking additional measures to ensure that it is doing all it can to both create employment in the city and achieve better rates of staffing within city departments; and

WHEREAS, increased staffing levels has the potential to better equip the city with the provision of, and increase in, vital city services; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to reduce vacancy levels within the City of Austin; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

That the City Manager is directed to work with other area governmental bodies and coordinate a job fair on or before Saturday, November 20, 2010 with the goal of filling as many vacant positions as soon as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

Upon completion of coordinating efforts, the City Manager is directed to identify appropriate space that can be used for the job fair.

ADOPTED: _____, 2010

ATTEST: _____

Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk