

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has initiated and completed several studies to identify city service needs including but not limited to the Flood Mitigation Task Force Final Report, the Austin Housing Plan, the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan, the Project Connect Central Texas Regional High Capacity Transit Plan, the Long-Range CIP Strategic Plan, and Imagine Austin; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that the City allocate and prioritize funds for goals to address issues such as flooding, affordable housing, mobility, high capacity transit, parks, libraries, as well as capital renewal to rehabilitate infrastructure already in place; and

WHEREAS, the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, through an educational and consensus-oriented process, developed a vision for how the City of Austin should develop and presents a new opportunity for coordinated investment;
NOW, THEREFORE,

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

- (A) A Bond Election Advisory Task Force is established to identify and prioritize bond funding for projects that will address infrastructure needs, including needs related but not limited to flooding, libraries, housing, mobility, transit, parks, and planned, unfunded capital improvements.
- (B) The task force shall be composed of 23 members.
- (C) The task force members shall be appointed by October 1, 2016, as follows:
 - a. Each Council Member and the Mayor will nominate two city residents as voting members for appointment; and

- b. The Planning Commission shall appoint one member of their commission or a designee; and
 - c. The City Manager shall determine, if necessary, appropriate representation and coordination with the Bond Oversight Committee.
- (D) The task force shall work within the scope of a needs assessment and funding priorities to be recommended by City staff and as aligned with recommendations from the Flood Mitigation Task Force Final Report, the Strategic Housing Plan, the Strategic Mobility Plan, Project Connect Central Texas Regional High Capacity Transit Plan, the Long-Range CIP Strategic Plan, Imagine Austin, and other policy plans.
- (E) In addition to conducting regular open and posted meetings for the purpose of considering potential bond projects that have been identified in the needs assessment, the representatives of the task force shall attend a series of public briefings conducted at City Council meetings for which subsequent dates will be provided and shall present and consult with Boards and Commissions.
- (F) The entirety of the task force's proceedings shall be open to the public to maximize citizen engagement and the task force's efforts will culminate in recommendations to be considered by the City Council regarding potential bond projects.
- (G) The task force shall present its report to Council no later than January 2018 and shall be dissolved upon Council's adoption of the ballot language for the bond election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager is directed to schedule and conduct public briefings as needed to be presented to the City Council to provide information regarding the

City's current bonded indebtedness, bond ratings, and future bonding capacity, as well as a prioritized capital improvements needs assessment for the purpose of planning future bond proposals.

ADOPTED: _____, 2016

ATTEST: _____

Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk

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