

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

**WHEREAS**, Central Texas is among the fastest-growing areas for people between 55 and 64, and has the second fastest-growing population of people 65 and over, and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Lee Leffingwell created the 2012 Mayor's Task Force on Aging (Task Force), and tasked it with creating a set of strategic recommendations to accommodate Central Texas' fast-growing senior population, and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force recommended that Austin be designated an "age-friendly" community under the American Association of Retired Persons Network of Age-Friendly Communities, an affiliate of the World Health Organization's Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Program, and

**WHEREAS**, important accomplishments have been achieved as a result of the work of the Task Force, including the formation of Austin's Commission on Seniors and AustinUP, a non-profit that is working across sectors to raise the profile of our senior population and prepare the next generation for the future of aging, and

**WHEREAS**, Austin lacks an action plan for accomplishing several recommendations outlined in the final Task Force report and consequently, is at risk of losing its age-friendly designation, and

**WHEREAS**, a broad-based work group formed by the Commission on Seniors to bring to fruition recommendations has developed this plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the Age-Friendly Austin plan overlaps in key areas with the Imagine Austin plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the Imagine Austin plan contains amendments to include recommendations from the Commission on Seniors referencing the Age-Friendly Austin plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the following City of Austin commissions endorsed those amendments: Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission, Joint Inclusion Committee, Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities, and Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Resource Advisory Committee; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

Council adopts the Age-Friendly Austin Action Plan and will actively support, promote, and work toward becoming, not only age-friendly, but also age-progressive to support Austin's current and future residents.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

The city manager is directed to initiate the process to amend Appendix G of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan to include the Age-Friendly Action Plan.

**ADOPTED:** \_\_\_\_\_, 2016    **ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Jannette S. Goodall  
City Clerk