



**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20170411-05
Mobile Home/Manufactured Home Parks**

WHEREAS, 40 families were recently displaced from the Cactus Rose Mobile Home Park located at 500 Bastrop Highway and 17 families displaced from the mobile home park located at 2110 Thrasher Lane, both located in the Montopolis neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, evictions and other forms of involuntary displacement are reaching crisis levels in the community; and

WHEREAS, a survey of 24 of the mobile home parks located within the Austin city limits indicated that displaced families have no feasible relocation options inside the city; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin owns a six acre tract of land located at 7201 Levander Loop that was set aside for affordable housing purposes in 2009; and

WHEREAS, there are no realistic market-based affordable housing solutions for working poor residents of Austin living in mobile home parks; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has it within its power to promote the general welfare of the community and to mitigate the adverse family impacts of involuntary residential displacement;

WHEREAS, other mobile home park residents may face displacement and in the city, additional city-owned locations should be set aside to accommodate those families.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Community Development Commission recommends that the Austin City Council:

- Declare mobile home park evictions to be an emergency eligible for expedited permitting and development review.
- Direct the City Manager to prepare the entirety of the Levander Loop property set aside as affordable housing for use as a mobile home park.
- Set aside the property as a Community Land Trust.
- Require that the mobile home park be managed by a local non-profit organization upon completion.
- Direct the City Manager to investigate ways to preserve or create housing opportunities where existing parks may cease to exist.

Date of Approval: April 11, 2017

Record of the Vote: A motion to approve the recommendation was approved on Commissioner Paup's motion, Commissioner McGhee's second, on a 9-0-0 vote.

Abstain: None

Absent: Vice Chair Deshotel and Commissioners Lisa Hinely, Michael Tolliver, Freddy Zamora, and Bettye Taylor

Attest: Matthew Ramirez, CDC Liaison

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Matthew Ramirez", is written over a horizontal line.