RESOLUTION NO. 20180809-056

WHEREAS, one of the goals in Austin Strategic Direction 2023 is enjoying a sustainable environment and a healthy life, physically and mentally, and one of the indicators under that goal includes access to quality health care services, both physical and mental; and

WHEREAS, ensuring access to affordable health care services is an important factor in addressing Austin’s affordability crisis; and

WHEREAS, Planned Parenthood is one of the nation’s leading providers of high-quality, affordable health care for women, men, and young people; and

WHEREAS, many residents of Austin rely on Planned Parenthood to meet their healthcare needs at a reasonable cost; and

WHEREAS, Planned Parenthood has operated one or more health centers in Austin continually since 1938. There are currently three locations in Austin that provided 19,571 women, men, and young people with essential healthcare services in 2017. Additionally, 4,116 Central Texans were reached through educational classes, teen pregnancy prevention workshops and trainings; and

WHEREAS, in 1972 the Austin City Council approved a lease agreement with Planned Parenthood for the purpose of operating a Planned Parenthood center at 1823 East 7th Street; and

WHEREAS, the health center has been operating on that site since that time, with lease extensions in 1982, 1992, 2002, and 2011; and
WHEREAS, Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas has plans to renovate the health center to update the center for the next generation of patients; and

WHEREAS, through this center, the community receives access to quality health care services, which is a key indicator for enjoying a sustainable environment and a healthy life. These community services far exceed the city receiving the market rental rate; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin supports maintaining healthcare facilities close to the people in need of those facilities; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

The City Manager is directed to negotiate a lease amendment including, but not limited to, extending the term for a period not less than 20 years, with a renewal option, with Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas, at Texas non-profit for the property located at 1823 East 7th Street, in Austin.

The lease may include:

- Base rent at $1.00 per year.
- The possibility for Planned Parenthood to upgrade the facility.
- Planned Parenthood providing all maintenance, repairs, and upgrades to the facility.

ADOPTED: August 9, 2018

ATTEST: Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk