RESOLUTION NO. 20190509-007

WHEREAS, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) awarded the Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) a Recreational Trails Grant for the Slaughter Creek Greenbelt Equestrian Trail in the amount of $200,000 on January 16, 2018 with the grant term ending on June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, PARD will use the Recreational Trails Grant award for the Slaughter Creek Greenbelt Equestrian Trail for the following scope of work:

• Construction of a 2.1-mile equestrian/multi-purpose trail connecting an existing equestrian/multi-purpose trail at Mary Moore Searight Metropolitan Park to newly acquired parkland along the Slaughter Creek Greenbelt.
• The trail will have a minimum 10-foot-wide tread, as recommended by the USDA Equestrian Design Guidebook, a vertical clearance of at least 10 feet, and a horizontal clearance of 2-3 feet, with a sight distance goal of 100 feet.
• Trail alignment and design will preserve and protect, to the greatest extent possible, the surrounding ecosystem, and will feature parking and staging areas, mounting blocks and mounting ramps, directional signage, kiosks, interpretive signage, corrals, bike racks, picnic facilities, water for horses, and hitching posts.

WHEREAS, the 2015 resolution authorizes Sara Hensley, Director of PARD, to act on behalf of the City for the purposes of the TPWD Recreational Trails Grant, including executing the grant agreement and providing TPWD with written assurance that the completed project will be adequately maintained for its intended use, in accordance with State and federal requirements; NOW, THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Council authorizes the City Manager, or his designee, to sign an agreement with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for a Recreational Trails Grant in the amount of $200,000 for the Slaughter Creek Greenbelt Equestrian Trail.

ADOPTED: May 9, 2019

ATTEST: Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk