

RESOLUTION NO. 20191114-063

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2013 Council approved Resolution No. 20130620-055 directing the City Manager to assess the public health risk from the transport of hazardous materials through Austin; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager was further directed to determine an appropriate process and potential timeline in the event the City chooses to pursue a designated route for the transport of hazardous materials and report back to Council on all findings; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager issued a memorandum on November 26, 2013 identifying requirements under state law to develop a Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials Route (hazardous materials route or routes) given that Austin's population has now exceeded the 850,000 threshold; and

WHEREAS, the report includes:

- Preliminary context regarding the public health risk of transporting hazardous materials through Austin;
- A process and timeline for designating hazardous materials route(s) including cost participation and collaboration, route analysis and proposal, local public hearing submission, review, consultation with other States and Indian tribes, authorization and approval, and route signing plan; and

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2013 Council approved Resolution No. 20131212-075 directing the City Manager to launch the formal process to designate Hazardous Materials routes in Austin; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager was further directed to keep Council apprised of the coordination effort with regional jurisdictions, identification of funding sources, and implementation strategy for initiation of a Commodities Flow Study.

WHEREAS, the City Manager conducted a formal study to develop a recommended route for the transport of non-radioactive hazardous materials traveling through Austin; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager submitted the study conclusions and recommended route to City Manager for review and approval; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

The City Council approves the staff recommended route, formalizes the route as the designated non-radioactive hazardous materials route, and directs the City Manager to submit the designated route to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for a final public hearing and approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

Pending final approval from TxDOT, City Council directs the City Manager to create a signage plan for the designated route, which will include a plan for funding, purchase, and installation of necessary signage to implement and enforce the designated route.

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Pending final approval from TxDOT, City Council directs the City Manager to create an ordinance for enforcement of the designated route, which will include detail on authority and fines associated with not following the designated route.

ADOPTED: November 14, 2019 **ATTEST:** Erika Brady for
Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk