RESOLUTION NO.

2	WHEREAS, the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan hopes to accomplish 50%
3	Mode-shift goals by 2039; and
4	WHEREAS, the City's Community Climate Plan set a target of net-zero
5	community-wide greenhouse gas emissions by 2050; and
6	WHEREAS, the Office of Sustainability projects that transportation will
7	contribute more than half of the community's carbon emissions by 2030; and
8	WHEREAS, the January 2020 City Audit on the City's Efforts to Reduce
9	Carbon Emissions states that residents need to significantly decrease driving alone
10	in gasoline-powered cars for the City to meet its goal to be carbon neutral
11	community-wide by 2050; and
12	WHEREAS, City Council passed Resolution 20190328-040 to accelerate
13	timetables for planned bicycle, scooter, transit, and tier one urban trail infrastructure
14	projects approved in the 2016 and 2018 City bond propositions; and
15	WHEREAS, the City's Urban Trails Program promotes multi-use shared use
16	pathways for recreation and active transportation; and
17	WHEREAS, creation of an improved project delivery process that
18	streamlines the design and approval process could help avoid additional

expenditures for urban trails on public land, rights-of-way, or public easements

potentially saving hundreds of thousands of dollars; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

The City Council directs the City Manager to create an urban trails stakeholder group to examine the administrative processes and requirements associated with the design and permitting of urban trails on public land, public easements, or rights-of-way.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Council directs the City Manager to include in the urban trails stakeholder group the relevant city departmental staff, representatives from relevant boards and commissions, and leaders of community organizations that are directly involved in building urban trails. The City Council encourages the City Manager to include representatives from Austin Energy, Austin Water, Austin Transportation Department, Development Services Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Public Works Department, Watershed Protection Department, Shoal Creek Conservancy, Hill Country Conservancy, The Trail Foundation, Waterloo Greenway Conservancy, Environmental Commission, Parks and Recreation Board, and Urban Transportation Commission in the stakeholder group.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The stakeholder group shall make recommendations on code changes or administrative process changes with the goal of making the design and permitting of

40	urban trails on public land, public easements, or rights-of-way less costly and more
41	efficient, while maintaining appropriate environmental protections.
42	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:
43	The City Manager is directed to return to Council no later than August 21,
44	2020, with recommendations from the stakeholder group.
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46	ADOPTED: , 2020 ATTEST:
47	Jannette S. Goodall
48	City Clerk
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