RESOLUTION NO. 20201001-011

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

City Council initiates amendments to City Code Title 25 (Land Development) to establish a contractor registration program for building and demolition permitting consistent with the direction in this Resolution.

In developing proposed amendments, the City Manager is directed to consider incorporating:

(a) requirements from Chapter 25-6, Article 5, Division 1 (Construction License), as deemed appropriate in the context of demolition permitting;

(b) requirements for bonding and insurance;

(c) metrics for determining whether the program promotes equitable outcomes and does not create a disproportionately negative impact on small businesses, women-owned businesses, or minority-owned businesses;

(d) incentives or process advantages for contractors who remain in good standing with the registration program, such as a streamlined application review process;

(e) exemptions from mandatory registration requirements based on the type or level or work being proposed, taking into consideration the likelihood of the health and safety concerns; and

(f) exemptions from mandatory registration for individuals in a manner that considers equity and acknowledges the affordability pressures on both homeowners and tenants and on residents of both single-and multi-family structures.
In developing the proposed amendments, the City Manager is directed to conduct a stakeholder engagement process that includes both building and demolition contractors, as well as community and neighborhood groups and health professionals, and solicits input on all of the above considerations.

The City Manager is directed to present the proposed amendments to the Housing and Planning Committee at least once before bringing a final draft of the proposed amendments to Council for consideration. The City Manager is directed to present the proposed amendments to Council for consideration on or before December 31, 2021, or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible.

ADOPTED: October 1, 2020

ATTEST: C.

Janette S. Goodall
City Clerk